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Letter from Pastor Powell!

Men's Club Bar B Que!

Taco Salad Sundae!

Wings & Things

Youth News!



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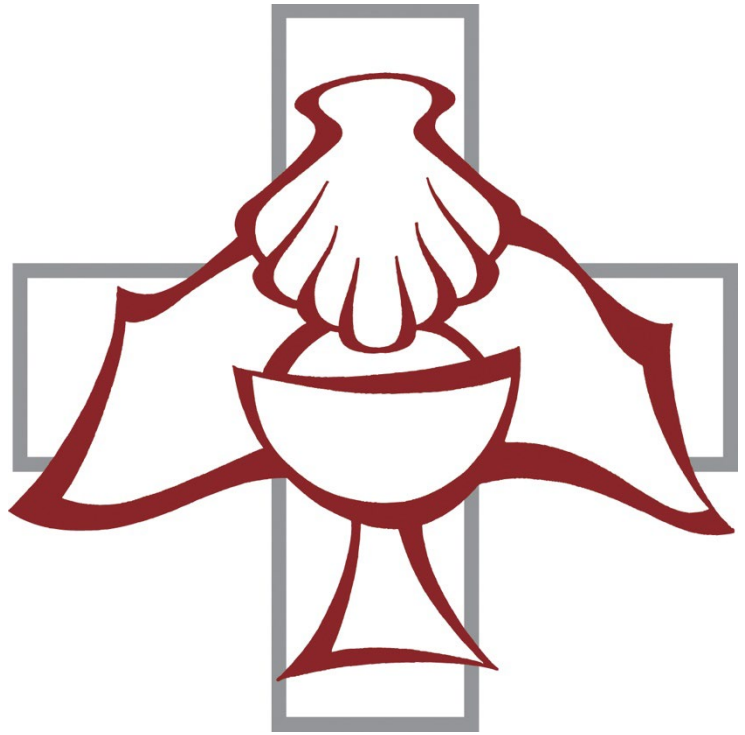
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Dear Friends in Christ,

When we gather for services each weekend, the order of service is called the “Divine Service.” That phrase doesn’t really roll off the tongue very well and seems pretty formal, but it is an important confession of what happens in our gatherings. Really, the phrase “Divine Service” is a bit of a play on words. If it’s a “service,” then there is someone doing the serving and someone being served. So, in our gathering, who serves and who is being served? A quick response might be that we are serving God, but when we think a little bit longer about our gatherings, it becomes clear that the Divine Service is not primarily about us serving God. It’s the other way around, as God comes into our presence to serve us poor, miserable sinners out of His goodness and His plentiful graciousness. The Divine One, God Himself, is the One who does the serving, and we Christians are the ones who receive what God has to give us. In the Divine Service, He gives us life, forgiveness, and salvation. After we have received those gifts, we are able to open our mouths and praise Him in response. But even then, those responses are drawn from Scripture. We don’t make up the words we use to praise God because we can’t do any better than the words He has given us in the Bible to praise Him.

God serves us in the Divine Service in three ways. First, there is the section centered around confession and absolution. (Absolution is the description of God forgiving us through His words as spoken by the pastor.) The confession and absolution section of the Service starts with remembering our baptism in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Our confession of sins and the forgiveness that we receive from God is a continuation of God’s work that already started when He baptized us into His name. Now, every time we come to church, we continue that baptismal life that we have and we keep living in His name. It’s because He put His name on us that we have the forgiveness of our sins. The Divine Service starts with a recognition that God has made us His own dear children through baptism and that He keeps us His children by daily and richly forgiving our sins.

After Confession and Absolution follows the time when we are served the Word of God. We pray a psalm, pray for God’s mercy on us, sing with the angels who came to the shepherds on Christmas Eve, hear Bible



readings, listen to the sermon, and confess our faith using one of the Creeds. During this part of the Divine Service called “the Service of the Word” there is a lot of listening. That’s because it’s about you hearing the Word of God and being served, not about what you do or bring.

That pattern of receiving continues as the focus of the Divine Service shifts from hearing the Word of God to being served at the Lord’s altar. Jesus’ institution of this forgiving meal is remembered, and along with prayer and hymns, you are invited to eat and drink the body and blood of Jesus under bread and wine. The Lord’s Supper, like the rest of the Divine Service, is about what you receive and not about what you bring.

Certainly, you do bring prayers and praises to God in the Divine Service. Those prayers and praises are shaped by what you have received and not by what you are able to bring. By yourself, you are full of sinfulness and corruption. Without receiving the forgiveness and Word of God, you have nothing to bring. In the Divine Service, the crucified and risen Savior dwells with you, providing you what you need. Most of all, that is the forgiveness of sins. The Divine Service is focused on God giving you what you need. Receive it and savor it, because it is God’s good news for you.

In Christ,
Pastor Powell



SAT, SEP 12

SERVING
BEGINS **10:00 AM**
@ SCHULTE'S PARKING LOT

Pork Steak or Bratwurst Dinners: **\$15**
w/ cole slaw, baked beans, + bread (optional)

Pork Steak Sandwich **\$6**

Bratwurst on a Bun **\$5**

*All proceeds generated from this event are donated to
Trinity Lutheran Church and School,
Calvary Lutheran High School,
and other local Lutheran-supported activities.*

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Our next meeting will be September 8 in the Fellowship Hall starting at 6pm. We will discuss changes to By-Laws and ideas/plans to do in this upcoming year. Do not forget about your Mite Box. Exchange one the First Sunday of each month. The mites go to Mission grants. The national convention will be happening in July 2027 and Missouri District is one of the host districts. We are looking for many helpers. It will be in Oklahoma City. If you have any questions please contact Danielle Rakow at 573-230-5654 or rakowedtk@gmail.com.

PARISH ED YOUTH BOARD

On August 16th the Parish Education board recognized the years of service by the Sunday School teachers with a luncheon. **Maxine Johnson** is stepping down after **44 years of teaching**. Thank you Maxine! We also have several other teachers of 25 -30 plus years of service. We would welcome anyone that might be interested in helping or teaching. Please contact John Robinett (Sunday School Superintendent)

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The Women's Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Mite Box offerings will be collected at the sign-in table. Hope to see all of you on Tuesday, September 8! We welcome all women of the congregation to join us in Christian fellowship. For more information, contact Judy Bangert at 573-635-1131. **BE CAREFUL TO STAY COOL!**

TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL ALUMNI REUNION - The 2026 reunion of the Trinity Lutheran School Alumni Association is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 12, beginning at 2:30 pm at Veit's Grill in Jefferson City. For more information, please go to alumni@trinityjc.org.



**TRINITY
LUTHERAN
YOUTH
GROUP**



Fall Devotions – Devotions will focus on our theme “Serve.”

Game Night – Each youth group will have a fun night of games, snacks, and fellowship on Sunday, September 27th during their normal youth group times.

Car Show and Wings & Things BBQ hosted by Trinity Senior Youth - Show off your old car and enjoy some BBQ with a little competition for the twist. Sunday September 20th 12 pm in the lower church parking lot. BBQ teams and Car Show entries sign up to compete by September 13th with Sam Ziegelbein at ziegelbeins@calvarylhs.org.

BBQ Competition – Tailgate Style (Yard games, team jerseys, photo booth, and wings served tailgate-style)

- Entry fee: Donation
- Wings provided - Thank you Thrivent Action Teams!
- Things are on the teams

Prizes given for top three wings and things!

New this year! Sauce-Making Competition to show off your homemade sauces. Homemade sauce winner gets bragging rights and a spotlight in the newsletter.

Wing Ding Tickets

- \$15 for one try at each BBQ team.

Car Show Entry - Best of Show Prize

Senior Youth please meet in the Youth Room at 10am to set up.

Fall Hayride – Join us for a crisp fall evening of fun and fellowship as the youth head out on a hayride with the Happy Drifters! This intergenerational event is a wonderful chance to enjoy God’s creation, share laughter, and make memories with friends of all ages. Bring your friends and come ready for a relaxed night of music, conversation, and autumn joy.

Word for Today

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."
Matthew 18:20

Scripture Snacks

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, 3 who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases ~ Psalm 103:2-3

"The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love ~ Psalm 145:8

"For it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure". ~ Philippians 2:13

September Calendar

6	No Meeting – Labor Day
13	Jr Youth (6:30 pm) Sr Youth (7:15 pm)
20	Wings and Things
27	Jr Youth (6:30 pm) Sr Youth (7:15 pm)

Meal Train Link

www.mealtrain.com/trains/711nwm

Contact for More Information

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SAVE THE DATE

Fall Dinner

November 22, 2026

Featured Menu
Fried chicken, sausage, mashed potatoes, and sauerkraut

Trinity Lutheran Church & School
 812 Stadium Blvd, Jefferson City
 Tickets coming soon!



Taco Salad Sundae Sunday

Sunday September 13
 10:30am - 12:30pm
 Fellowship Hall

After service on September 13, come to the fellowship hall and make your tacos with all the fixings and end your meal with ice cream and a variety of toppings!

Trinity Lutheran Evening Guild



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RUMMAGE SALE

OCTOBER 3, 2026
7 AM - 1 PM

BABY CLOTHING	SHOES
HOME DECOR	PURSES
GAMES	FABRIC
BOOKS	GLASS

Trinity Lutheran School Old Gym
 812 Stadium Blvd, Jefferson City, MO

SEPTEMBER 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 8:15a Chapel 9:15a Mom's Group 9:30a Lectionary L	3	4	5 6p DIVINE SERVICE 7p Game Night (social)
6 8:00a/10:30a DIVINE SERVICE 9:30a Sunday School 6:30pm Jr Youth 7:15pm Sr Youth	7 LABOR DAY 8a Quilters Ladies Evening Guild 6:30pm - Library	8 6p Missionary Society 6p Men's Club L	9 8:15a Chapel 9:30a Lectionary L 5:30PM - Handbells	10 7PM – Choir Practice	11 7p – Game Night FH Singles	12 10:00 am Men's BBQ (Schultes lot) 6p DIVINE SERVICE
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Trinity Lutheran Missions & Service Sharing Our Harvest Food Drive

Attention all hunters. As we approach beard season, we are asking all to prayerfully consider harvesting an extra deer this year so we can donate it to the Samaritan Center. Cole county does not have any participating butchers in the "Share the Harvest" program. The Samaritan Center gets on a list and never knows if, when or how much they will receive. If you are so willing, please have your animal ground and vacuum sealed for deliver to the Samaritan Center. We are looking into a Thrivent card to assist with cost if necessary. Additionally, the Salvation Army encourages precooked deer meat to serve to their residents. They currently have 17 residents but are expanding to accommodate 60, and they need to feed them daily. Precooked and vacuum sealed meats go a long way to helping with this endeavor. If you have any question, please don't hesitate to reach out to Rik Combs, Cory Esselman, Kim Forney, or Rick Hardin for more details.



Stay Connected!

Help Keep Our Online Church Directory Accurate and Up to Date

Last year a church directory was created that was available both as a printed booklet and as an online directory. The goal is to keep the online directory current, accurate, and useful for everyone.

The online directory is accessed through an app called **INSTANT CHURCH DIRECTORY** and this app allows members to access the online directory anytime and keep their own information up to date.

Many members have already participated, but if you haven't, it's never too late to be included! Simply complete the **Church Directory Information** form and return the form to the church office.

Once your information has been added to the online directory, you will receive an email with instructions for creating your login. After your account is set up, you'll be able to upload your family photo.

Already Using Instant Church Directory?

If you already have an Instant Church Directory

account, you can update your family photo or contact information at any time. It's easy!

1. Open the **Instant Church Directory** app or website.
2. If using the app, tap the **Menu** (the three lines in the upper-left corner); or if using the Instant Church Directory website click on **Edit My Info** in the upper right of the webpage.
3. From the dropdown menu on the app select **Edit My Info**.
4. Scroll to the section you want to update, and tap **Edit** or tap the **Edit Profile** icon. 
5. Make your changes and tap **Submit Edits**.

That's all there is to it! By keeping your information current, you'll help maintain an accurate online directory and keep our church family connected.

Thank you for taking a few minutes to participate and for helping to keep our online church directory up to date.

If you have any questions or need instructions on downloading the Instant Church Directory app, please contact the church office or Janell Bernskoetter at sketerjl@gmail.com or [\(573\) 690-6375](tel:5736906375).

Church Directory Information

Family Last Name _____

Adult Name(s) _____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____

Children's Name(s) _____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____
_____ Birthdate _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Family Phone # _____ *Allow txt msg ____ Y ____ N

Family Email _____ *Allow email ____ Y ____ N

Phone (each person) _____ *Allow txt msg ____ Y ____ N
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Email (each person) _____ *Allow email ____ Y ____ N
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Anniversary _____

**From time to time we may send texts or emails to you from the church with news for upcoming events. If you do not wish to receive them, please indicate next to each phone or email listed.*