

News and Notes

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<u>AID FOR MAUI WILDFIRE VICTIMS</u> Over the last couple of weeks, we've watched in horror as those on the island of Maui, Hawaii endure lost and terrifying destruction from wildfires on the island. More than 100 people have died in the fires, making them the most devastating fires in the US in more than a century. This weekend, we will take a door offering to aid those impacted by the fires. All proceeds will be sent to the LCMS California-Nevada-Hawaii District Disaster Relief Fund. For more information from the CNH district, see https://bit.ly/3QI2nIF.

NEW MEMBER CLASS Our next New Member Class begins **TODAY** and runs for six weeks. We'll meet in the Life Center during the 9:30 am Bible Study hour each Sunday. The class is designed for those who wish to become members of Holy Trinity, but is open to anyone who wishes to attend. It covers the basics of the Christian faith and offers information about HTLC. To register, call the church office (479-636-1135) or send an email to our Office Manager, Tabby Michaelson at tabby@holytrin.org.

RALLY DAY Next week, **August 27**, is the date for a whole-church get-together to celebrate the beginning of the school year. We will follow the Unity Sunday schedule: Education will begin at **8:45am**, Worship at **10am**, followed by lunch, activities, and opportunities to learn more about the various ministries at Holy Trinity. It's a great opportunity to find your niche and sign up! Wear your Hawaiian shirts and shorts!

POTLUCK MEAL A potluck lunch will be served after Unity Sunday services on **August 27**. The main course will be provided by HTLC and members are asked to bring their favorite dish to share according to the first letter of their last name.

A – H Desserts I – P Salads Q – Z Side Dishes

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY Please join us for Adult Bible Study on Sundays during the 9:30 hour! Women's Bible Study meets in the Conference Room; Men's Sunday Bible Study meets in Classroom 6; and Pr. Longman's Adult Bible Study meets in Classroom 1. Children and youth gather in the Chapel for Sunday School. COMING SOON: "AND HE TOLD THEM A STORY" - Jesus spent many opportunities telling us stories about life. We call them Parables. Beginning in September Rev. John Lindner will lead a study of selected Parables from Luke's Gospel. This study will be open to men and women as we gather in the church library Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. Be sure to bring your Bibles and let us learn together!

EMERGENCY WORKER CARE PACKAGES This month, the Outreach Ministry team will once again be partnering with Valerie Gust to deliver care packages for Emergency Works. We are very pleased to be supporting Ted Reinker's Firehouse in Fayetteville! If you would like to donate, please just note your donation as Outreach Care Packages! Any questions? Reach out to Roger Gust.

MEYERS ARE MOVING Ken & Donna Meyer are moving to Innisfree Independent Living in 30 days, and need help downsizing! They have tools, glass wear, baskets, fishing, and kitchen items that need to go. They are looking for a daybed if anyone can help with that. Give them a call for more information! (479) 544-3072.

NURSERY ROLL We are expanding our Nursery Roll Ministry to include friends and family of church members as an outreach for non-members with children and babies aged 3 and under. The Enduring Faith Beginnings booklets and materials are designed to help new parents share the love of Jesus from birth through the first three years of life. These booklets, beautiful picture Bibles, and small children's books are periodically mailed to parents and are a wonderful resource for building a habit of reading God's Word in the home. If you know of a young family that you would like the church to share these materials with please contact Melinda Miller at themillers2@cox.net or (479) 295-2978. Please include the recipients' names and addresses and include the name of the child and birthdate if possible.

CHURCH DIRECTORY Now that Pr. Meyer is here (and the rest of the family not far behind), we want to be sure that we have as many photos in our online church directory as possible to make it easier for them to learn who is who in their new church family! If you have a photo that you would like to use, email it to Toni Shane at directory@holytrin.org.

LUTHERAN CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

For a limited time, LCEF is offering a 6 month fixed rate term note at 4.5%. The minimum investment to open an account is \$500. This offer is for new money only. Pick a term note duration that works for you! 6 months at 4.5%, 1 year at 4%, or 2 years at 3.75%. Applying online is fast and easy at https://lcef.org/get-started/start-investing/. This offer is available for LCMS individuals, congregations, and organizations. See John Jenkins for more information.



ONLINE GIVING Did you know that you can set up an online account and automate your giving? Our online giving platform makes it easy to do "just this once" giving or to set up a scheduled donation so that you never forget your

regular offerings. If you link to your checking account, there's NO FEE (to you or the church) for your donations. Visit holytrin.org/online-giving or click the blue button at the bottom of any page on the church website for more information.

FOOD PANTRY The Food Pantry is open **Tuesday through Friday from 2-4pm**. Pastor's Care Fund is available (when we have funds) on **Thursday and Friday from 2-4pm**.

CHURCH VAN We are offering rides to both worship services! We'd love your help as a driver, even if it's just for one or two Sundays per year. For more information about volunteering or getting a ride, reach out to Ted Reinker at 409-750-9633.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENERS NEEDED If you are willing to lead the opening for our Sunday School kids, we would love to have you! Opening is 10-15 minutes and can be a devotion, song, or the planned opening prepared in the lesson plan. If interested, please reach out to Kati Evans at 479-685-6768 or kati.evans46@gmail.com.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR August 20 "The Latest Polls" Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus. What people think about something--that's a poll. What that something actually is--that's the truth. (Matthew 21:8-11 and Luke 23:23-25)

<u>LUTHERANS FOR LIFE</u> Pentecost XII (Proper 15A) -

He who made and still sustains nature and all creatures has no anxieties about overpopulation. The Lord our God delights in adding another human life (Isaiah 56:8) and wrapping the next neighbor in magnificent mercy (Romans 15:32). Let the peoples praise You, O God, in ever increasing number (Psalm 67:5-6) – the unborn one, the impaired one, and even our Gospel-motivated voices For Life!

ALTAR FLOWERS The flower charts - one for each urn - are posted on the bulletin board across from the Men's restroom. Cost to sponsor a week is \$35 for one urn, or \$70 for both. On your sponsored day, you are welcome to take the flowers home following the late service. If you have any feedback, feel free to send it to flowers@holytrin.org.



CIRCUIT CHURCH Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Rogers and Pastor Eric Longman and Pastor Mike Meyer

CHURCH MINISTRY Altar Guild

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY Especially those associated with our church.

PRAY FOR ALL THOSE ON OUR PRAYER LIST