



# News and Notes

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## September 24, 2023

**CALLING ALL MEN** Get ready for the 2023 SKEET shooting contest coming on October 21 at James Sij's ranch near Garfield. Will have a skeet shooting contest and a pistol contest that starts at 3 pm. The Journeymen are sponsoring this event and will be providing food to grill around a campfire. **DON'T WANT TO BE IN THE CONTEST?** That's OK! Just come join us for some fellowship and fun at the ranch. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board so we know how much food to bring. **GOT A FRIEND** who likes to shoot skeet?? **BRING THEM ALONG.** The Sij's ranch is located at 12568 Walnut Hill Road near Garfield. There will be a number of people meeting at church, so if you want a ride or want to follow us out there, please be at church by 2:30 pm on Oct. 21. We will leave promptly at 2:30.

**OUTREACH MINISTRY** is collecting shoes, socks, and underwear for Garfield Elementary School and Grace Hills Elementary School. Many of you have already taken specific needs. If you would like to donate cash, please note your contribution and put it in the collection plate. Please drop off donations **by October 8th** to the bin by the Outreach board in the Narthex. Questions? Contact Roger Gust

**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; Rev. Lindner's Study on the Parables meets in the Library, Adult Bible Study meets in Classroom 1, and the New Member Class meets in the Life Center. Children and youth gather in the Chapel for Sunday School.

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS EVENT** The Mid-South District will host a free community event for anyone concerned about the impacts of human trafficking and who wants to learn about how to engage in the fight against it. "LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS: Uncovering the Shadow World of Human Trafficking" will take place **Saturday, September 30** from **9am-1pm** at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (in the Life Center). To learn more about the event and to register, visit the event page at <https://bit.ly/489fY1Z>

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (OCC)** OCC is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international relief organization. Their mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. We ship these simple gifts outside the United States to children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, famine, and disease; and to children living on Native American reservations in the U.S. The Youth and Outreach Ministry teams are working together once again to support Operation Christmas Child. Want to help? Shopping lists with suggested gift ideas are on the Outreach board. We will also take donations and do the shopping for you.....please designate OCC on any donation you put in the offering plate. All are welcome to join the packing party which will be held in early November. All donations need to be dropped off at the church by **Oct 31**. Thank you for your support!

**OZARK RIGHT TO LIFE - LIFE CHAIN** NWA pro-lifers will join thousands of others throughout the country for the annual Life Chain - proclaiming the value of all human life! This year, the Life Chain is on **October 1st beginning at 2pm** at Boozman Hoff Eye Clinic in Rogers (3737 W Walnut St). Arrive early if you want to grab a sign. We will stand on the public sidewalk on the north side of Walnut for one hour (bring a chair if you'd like). This is a peaceful, joyful, family-friendly public proclamation of the goodness of all human life. More information on the Ozark Right to Life Facebook page: <https://bit.ly/44VQ8vN>

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH AUGSBURG** invites you to attend their annual Fall Fest on **October 14<sup>th</sup>** from **10 am-3 pm**. All your favorite festival activities will be here – German food, silent auction, country store, pork drawing, music entertainment, auto show and shine, booths, and free kid's games! There won't be a lack of things to do! All the proceeds from the festival will be split between our food pantry at Zion and the River Valley Christian Clinic nearby. If you have any questions about the event, you can call the church office (479-331-3277) or email [officeassistant.zlc@gmail.com](mailto:officeassistant.zlc@gmail.com). We hope to see you there!

**LINKT RETREAT FOR JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH** "Love & Serve" is the theme for this year's Linkt retreat for junior high students from LCMS congregations in the Mid-South District, set for **Oct. 20-22**. Pastor Aaron Neugebauer of St. John's Lutheran Church in Lafe returns as the main presenter, using the theme passage, Philippians 2:1-11. The weekend will include music and messages, games, hike, servant event, and Bible study. Contact Nancy Eisma ([neisma@live.com](mailto:neisma@live.com)) for more information.

**CAMP TRINITY REQUESTING HELP** You're probably familiar with Camp Trinity, the Lutheran Camp on Petit Jean Mountain. The camp is overseen by Operations Manager Aaron Davis, who lives on-site with his family. It was recently discovered that their home is full of toxic mold, which is resulting in health problems for at least one of the family's five children. The family is in temporary housing now. Camp Trinity has launched a funding effort to replace the home and many of the family's belongings, which are also contaminated with toxic mold. More information is available online: <https://bit.ly/44WTFtH>

**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](mailto: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, 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@holyytrin.org](mailto:directory@holyytrin.org).

**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.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** September 24 "**High Ground**" Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#). When the waters rise and enemies attack, the high ground is the place of safety and security. But who will take us there? (Psalm 27)

**LUTHERANS FOR LIFE Pentecost XVII (Proper 20A)** – Abortion and euthanasia begrudge God's generosity (Matthew 20:15) by regarding one life as less than another. Thank the Lord that His ways are not our ways (Isaiah 55:8), for none of us deserves to survive! Yet He preserves and protects us still, just as much as our every neighbor. O Lord, make us bold to speak Your Word of Life without fear (Philippians 1:14)!

**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@holyytrin.org](mailto:flowers@holyytrin.org).



### **CIRCUIT CHURCH**

St. John Lutheran Church in Fayetteville and  
Vacancy Pastor JD Zischke

### **CHURCH MINISTRY** Elders

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY** Especially those associated with our church.

**PRAY FOR ALL THOSE ON  
OUR PRAYER LIST**