

# Blessings

Trinity Lutheran Church



Evangelical Lutheran  
Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

August  
2017

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## Worship Times

Sunday Morning

10:30 am—Traditional

\*Communion offered on the 1st & 3rd  
Sundays of the month

## Education

Wednesday Morning

9:45 am—Bible Study

**“You have the mysterious power in you like the mustard seed to transform the world.”**

August is the beginning of another academic year. I hope all students start their year prayerfully and with success. I wish a smooth transition for Andrew, Alyssa, Alex-

es and Megan who joined in various universities.

Like students, we were reminded and reassured through last month's

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gospel texts that God is with us. God has been transforming the world through us. Jesus said “For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” It doesn’t mean that Jesus will take out all our worries and suffering, but He promises to recharge us to overcome our pains and sorrows with His help. Jesus is still with us in our pains and sufferings, that was reassured when Jesus said, “He who receives you, receives me.” What a privilege and a promise to God’s servants that God is in us, when we serve God and God’s people. What way can we get those privileges?

Jesus promised that anyone who gives a cup of cold water to His faithful servants can redeem the rewards in heaven. According to Jesus, the hospitality is crucial and there is no small gesture.

The parable of Sower concerns the soil the Word of God. It is an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. In our busy life style, our minds are lingering of stubbornness like a way side. We begin new hobbies with enthusiasm but when it becomes difficult we drop it like the Stoney ground. Like the thorny ground, when there are many priorities crowded in our lives, it is difficult to focus on the

Word of God. Jesus invites us to be a good soil to nurture the Word of God and yield more fruits, because the mustard seed in us has a mysterious power to grow. Likewise the Kingdom of Heaven surely grows in people’s hearts. Therefore, like seed and yeast we transform the world with the help of God, just as our motto “God’s Work. Our Hands.”

Have a blessed month

Pr. Emmanuel



## Celebrations

### Anniversaries

8/17 Steve & Cheri Thomas

8/31 Randy Ihnen



### Birthdays

8/2 Debbie Bradley

8/2 Maggie Harrin

8/4 Michaela Belcher

8/5 Betsy Inskeep

8/8 Logan Wallace

8/11 Victoria Haiges

8/12 Tom Coulter

8/12 Jack Fahrenbach

8/12 Terri Ann Gaustad

8/13 Dave Bradley

8/14 Sara Hammerle

8/15 Gene Bokash

8/15 Amy Hammerle

8/16 Damon Krug

8/23 Tracy Hatfield

8/28 Gary Parks

8/29 Zachary Bradley

## Alter Flowers

Thank you to all of you who donate flowers for the altar in celebration of life events and for the glory of God.

August 6	Michaela Belcher's Birthday
August 13	Celebration of Amy, Sara & Gene's Birthdays
August 20	Avery & Tim Newman
August 27	Patrick Jensen's Birthday

## August

		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Week Of	7/2	7/9	7/16	7/23	7/30
Current Expenses	\$2,701.00	\$1,055.00	\$1,574.51	\$1,201.00	\$1,225.00
Restricted Funds	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$407.00	\$14.89
Special Projects	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
Sunday School	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Deposit	\$2,716.00	\$1,095.00	\$1,589.51	\$1,638.00	\$1,259.89
Weekly Goal	\$2,474 to meet expenses; \$2,927 to fully fund the budget				

# Giving Report

Ask about electronic giving.

## Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving

As Trinity Lutheran Church continues into 2017, it is important to know what support we can depend on from our congregation members. By knowing what you are willing to commit financially, we are able to better

plan for the future. Please consider setting up a recurring giving plan.

Automating your financial commitments means your contributions will be received on a steady, uninterrupted basis.

To set up a recurring giving schedule, complete a



### ELECTRONIC GIVING

paper authorization form and return it to Steve Thomas, Financial Secretary.

The authorization forms can be found on the hallway bulletin board.

## Church Office Note

If you are unable to do your Sunday Servant position, please make sure to find someone to switch with you! The schedule is posted a month in advance on the bulletin board outside the office. Remember the office work is being handled by our church council members who are full time professionals as well as parents.

## Church Council Members

Tom Coulter - President  
 Steve Thomas - Vice President  
 Tammy Campbell - Secretary  
 Frank Jensen - Treasurer  
 Joyce Wallace - Financial Secretary  
 Jeff Thomas - Member at Large  
 Carol Jensen - Member at Large

<b>Serving</b>	<b>8/6</b>	<b>8/13</b>	<b>8/20</b>	<b>8/27</b>	
<b>Greeters</b>	Thomas	Dorothy Chambers	Julie Biddle	Coulter	
<b>Acolyte</b>	Abby T.	Autumn C.	Kylie O.	Ian C.	
<b>Lector</b>	Robin N.	Valerie C.	Gary M.	Eric W.	
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Joyce W.	x	Cheri T.	x	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Amy H.	Amy H.	Tracy H.	Tracy H.	
<b>Music Specialist</b>	John R.	John R.	Charile F.	Valerie C.	
<b>Usher Team</b>	John H. Gene B.	Tammy C. Dorothy C.	Bob B. Eric W.	Gary P. Tom C.	
<b>Counting Team</b>	Valerie C. Eric W.	Jody F. Dorothy C.	Julie B. Bob B.	Andrew T. Logan W.	

# August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8:30 am— Weight Watch- ers  6:00 pm—Ice Cream Social	2 9:45 am—Adult Bible Study	3	4	5
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# Shop & Swipe Your Kroger Plus Card in 2017

Be sure to re-enroll your Kroger Plus card in 2017. All participants must re-enroll each year to continue earning rewards for their chosen organization at [www.kroger.com/communityrewards](http://www.kroger.com/communityrewards). Once you've successfully enrolled and selected Trinity Lutheran as your organization of choice, we

will earn rewards on all eligible purchases you make using your Kroger Plus Card.

You can earn rewards on almost anything, every time you shop. However, there are specific purchases that cannot be included. Alcohol, tobacco, government-assisted prescription purchase, post-

age stamps, Kroger gift cards, reloadable gift cards and debit cards, lottery and promotional tickets, fuel and sales tax are excluded from eligible purchases. Eligible Pharmacy purchases include out-of-pocket co-pays for non-government-assisted Pharmacy programs.

## Homebound Members

We are looking for a team of dedicated volunteers to deliver Holy Communion to our homebound members. Each month our homebound members are divided into geographic groups of no more than 2-3 visits. Our visitors call the folks on their list and arrange a visit time. Doesn't this sound like a great way to serve? Sign up today on the mission board.

### Homewood Healthcare Center

- Keith Burkholder
- Phyllis Mezger
- Jim Small

### Essex Healthcare:

- John Battcher, Jr.

### Parkwood Nursing Home:

- Eileen Battcher

### Homebound:

- Eileen Battcher
- Jean Myers
- Sandy Neese
- Marilyn Ratcliff



# Education

## Bible Study

Every Wednesday we will discuss the upcoming gospel text for Sunday's service.

**When:** Wednesdays

**Time:** 9:45am to 10:45 am

**Where:** Fellowship Hall

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## Coffee Time

This Fall we would like to introduce coffee time! Why not spend a few minutes with your TLC family and talk about your week.

Enjoy each other company and a cup of coffee!

**When:** Every Sunday

**Time:** 10:00 am to 10:30 am

**Where:** Fellowship Hall

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## Table Fellowship

This is a men's fellowship group that will meet twice a month as we become the men God designed us to be.

**When:** 1st & 3rd Saturday

**Time:** 8:00 am to 9:00 am

**Where:** Bob Evans

## Sunday School

Middle School thru High School

**When:** 1st & 3rd Sunday

**Time:** 9:00am to 10:00 am

**Where:** Youth Group Room

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## Sunday School

Toddler thru Elementary

**When:** During Sermon

**Time:** 10:30 am

**Where:** Preschool Room

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## Confirmation Class

Those going into 7th grade

**When:** Every Sunday Evening

**Time:** 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

**Where:** Youth Group Room

