

# The Burning Bush

News and information about growing God's children at Tree of Life Evangelical Lutheran Church

Odessa, DE

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We share a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person -- questions, complexities all. Join us as we do God's work for the life of the world.

# You are always welcome here

The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. Acts 16:14, NIV

you are. We'd love to get to know you, connect you with others, and accompany you along your faith journey. ALL baptized Christians are welcome to participate in Communion here at Tree of Life. And please join us for fellowship for a snack and coffee or tea following the postlude.

We hope you feel comfortable being your full self here. We trust you find compassion and forgiveness, joy and community, and love among us. Please sign in to let us know who

## We are called to serve

To volunteer to serve during worship, see Gene Zaiser or contact him at gzaiser@yahoo.com. We thank today's worship service volunteers: George Matz, usher; Jim Pileggi, worship assistant; Nicky Zaiser, fellowship provider; Gene Zaiser, offering counter and altar preparer. The offering for last Sunday, May 25, was \$851.00. The average weekly offering for the month of May was \$3,019.00.

Our roof is completed and paid for! But we could use \$10,000 to replenish what we spent above your generous donations. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

### You can serve the community and make a difference

\*\* Knot Quilters and Project Linus Blankets - 10am to noon, normally on second Wednesdays. Ouestions? See Nicky Zaiser and Janet Adams, respectively.

\*\* Seamens Center - Donations of toiletries, snacks, socks, etc. at the Donation Station between the Narthex and the kitchen. *Ouestions?* See Gene Zaiser.

\*\* Donations for "Our Daily Bread" - Pick up a bag and list of food products at the Donation Station; and/or volunteer to serve a meal the first Wednesday of the month. Questions? See Sylvia Schill. Thank you!

\*\* Pill bottle ministry - Place your clean, empty pill bottles in the box at the Donation Station. Bottles are sorted, counted and packed up for mailing to the Matthew 25 Ministries by our Kingdom Kids. Questions? See Pam Nichols.

## Vacation Bible School set for Friday evening June 20-Sunday, June 22

Mark your calendars for June 20, 5:00-8:00pm, June 21, 9:00am-4:00pm at St. Paul's UMC. On Sunday we'll have a combined service outside at Tree of Life, followed by a cookout. Registration forms are on a table at the back of the church. To volunteer to help, please see Pastor Robbie.

#### Do you have graduates in your life?

On Sunday **June 15** Tree of Life will recognize and pray for God's continued blessing upon member Anders Fratta and any other recent graduates related to parishioners. Anders is graduating from MOT Charter School on May 31.

If someone in your family is graduating, please add their name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

#### We are in the community

Tree of Life will again have a table at the **Odessa Fire Company's Open House, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.,** Saturday, June 21. If you would like to help staff the table, sign-up sheets can be found by the kitchen and at the entry to the sanctuary.

# Let us pray for ...

Amanda Campbell, Annalise Fratta, Bill Glass, Bob McCord, Chris Collett, Dan Radcliffe, Danielle Fangman, Dot Schreppler, Elizabeth Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Erica Zaiser, Kimberly Cilento, Noretta Burke, Patrick Pileggi, Paul Schuler, Sarah Schreppler, and William and Winnie Brill.

*Let us also pray for* those who serve and have served in our military; disaster victims and victims of violence and injustice everywhere; the health of our members and the world; our volunteers, church leaders, and Church Council; the people of Ukraine; the Israelis, Palestinians, hostages, civilians and everyone grieving —may warfare and hate give way to peace and justice.

If you would like to add someone to our prayer list, please leave a message at 302-378-3345 or email your request to *treeoflifelc@verizon.net*. Please include the full name of the person as well as your own. It is also important to notify the church office when this person can be taken off the list.

#### You are invited ....

After worship on **Sunday, June 29**, **you are invited to a free lunch and presentation by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans**, a non-profit founded by Lutherans to offer life insurance, retirement planning and other financial services. In addition to introducing Thrivent's work, the presentation will offer a work-shop on "Your Legacy: Family, Church and Charity." There will be a free lunch of sandwiches and drinks. To help Thrivent prepare, a sign-up list is posted by the kitchen and at the sanctuary entryway to get a rough headcount for the event.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Satur- day
JUNE 1 ASCENTION OF OUR LORD SUNDAY 9:00am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service	JUNE 2 1:00pm- 4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	JUNE 3	JUNE 4 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 4:00pm Serving at Our Daily Bread	JUNE 5 10:00am WELCA at Panera Bread	JUNE 6 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	JUNE 7
JUNE 8 <b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b> 9:00am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service Noon - Kingdom Kids and Confirmands plant garden to benefit Neighborhood House families	JUNE 9 1:00pm- 4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	JUNE 10 6:00pm Council meeting	JUNE 11 10:00am Knot Quilters 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	JUNE 12 Noon - OWLS lunch at Augustine Tavern	JUNE 13 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	JUNE 14
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