

The Burning Bush

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

Odessa, DE August 10, 2025

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.

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You are always welcome here

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 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 and ice cream sundaes following today's service!

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: Michelle Brill, usher; Edwin Kruah, worship assistant and offering counter; Maxine Campbell, altar preparer; & Carla Fiske, fellowship provider.

The Tree of Life offering for last Sunday, August 3, was \$3,609.00. The average weekly donation for July was \$1,941.00.

You can serve the community and make a difference

- ** Knot Quilters and Project Linus Blankets 10am to noon, normally on second Wednesdays. *Questions?* 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. *Questions?* 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 and Confirmands. *Questions?* See Pam Nichols.



Mindy Holland: Dallas Dean bequeathed large gift to Lutheran Campus Ministry at University of Delaware

Last Sunday we were joined by Mindy Holland (left), a friend of Tree of Life and chaplain for Lutheran Campus Ministry (LCM) at the University of Delaware. She shared that she received a large check from the estate of Dallas Dean, a contribution to LCM. Mindy wanted our congregation to know how very grateful she is for Dallas and her donation.

She also said that their big annual fundraiser will take place in November at Grace Lutheran Church in Hockessin. For more, go to *https://lcmde.org/*.

Congratulations to Mindy on the 10th anniversary of her time as chaplain for LCM at the University of Delaware!

Stuffed backpacks to bless 15 MOT students!

Thank you for your generosity! You have supplied 15 bookbags when we normally donate just ten! Thanks to Pam Nichols, Gloria Brewer and Vi Mann for stuffing the bags. (We have some supplies left over which we can use next year.) Gloria and Pam will deliver them to Neighborhood House this Tuesday.

Let us pray for ...

Annalise Fratta, Bill Glass, Bob McCord, Chris Collett, Dan Radcliffe, Danielle Fangman, Dot Schreppler, Elizabeth Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Erika Zaiser, 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 (praying for the flash -flood victims in Texas) 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; Iranians; 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 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.

Sign up now for Progressive Dinner, Saturday, Sept. 6

On the Kitchen bulletin board you'll find sign-up sheets for attending our second Progressive Dinner; providing part of a meal; and for hosting 6-8 people for appetizer, entrée or dessert.

Questions? See Carla Fiske.

UPCOMING

August 24 - Sacrament of Holy Baptism October, Date TBD - Blessing of the Animals

Volunteer, participate, attend						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Satur- day
AUGUST 10 10:30am Worship Service and Blessing of the Backpacks	AUGUST 11 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	AUG 12 6:00pm Council meeting	AUGUST 13 10:00am Knot Quilters 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	AUG 14 Noon- OWLS at PF Chang's at Christiana Mall	AUGUST 15 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	AUG 16 Olde Tyme Peach Festival in Mid- dletown
AUGUST 17 10:30am Worship Service	AUGUST 18 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	AUG 19	AUGUST 20 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office Time TBD Choir	AUG 21 10:00am Worship & Music Comm. meeting	AUGUST 22 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	AUG 23

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