



The Burning Bush

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

Odessa, DE

June 15, 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 for a snack and coffee or tea following the postlude.

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: Maxine Campbell, usher and altar preparer; Gene Zaiser, worship assistant; Jean Schulze, fellowship provider; and Joe Schulze, offering counter. The offering for last Sunday, June 8, was \$2,880.00. The average weekly offering for the month of May was \$3,019.00.

Our roof is completed and paid for, and the Facility Fund is replenished! Thank you.

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. *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 **at 10am**, followed by a cookout. VBS registration forms are on a table at the back of the church. **The deadline to register is tomorrow, June 16.**

We do need more adult volunteers. If interested, please see Pastor Robbie.

Today we honor our graduates

Today Tree of Life will recognize and pray for God's continued blessing upon member Anders Fratta and other recent graduates related to parishioners. Congratulations to Anders and all the other people who are graduating this spring!

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, please sign-up on the sheet by the kitchen or 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 and Will Beardell , 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.

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 workshop 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.

Pr. Robbie will be on vacation from this afternoon through Thursday, June 19.

For urgent pastoral needs during this time, you can call Pr. Linda Ray at (540) 207-1787. Thank you!

Volunteer, participate, attend

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JUNE 15 FATHERS DAY AND TRINITY SUNDAY 9:00am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship and Blessing of Graduates	JUNE 16 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office Deadline to sign up for VBS	JUNE 17	JUNE 18 12:45 Final VBS planning meeting 2:00pm Choir rehearsal	JUNE 19	JUNE 20 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office VBS 5-8pm at St. Paul's UMC	JUNE 21 9am-4pm - VBS at St. Paul's UMC 10-2 Odessa Fire Co. Open House
JUNE 22 9:00am Adult Bible Study CHANGE: 10:00am Joint Worship Service outside at TOL with St. Paul's followed by a cookout	JUNE 23 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	JUNE 24	JUNE 25 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	JUNE 26	JUNE 27 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	JUNE 28

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