



The Burning Bush

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

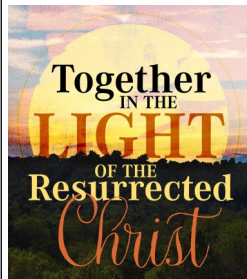
Odessa, DE

April 27, 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; Jim Pileggi, worship assistant; volunteer, acolyte; Becky Bullock, fellowship provider; Nicky Zaiser, altar preparer; and Gene Zaiser, offering. The offering for last Sunday, April 20, was \$2,375.00. The average weekly offering for the month of March was \$2,490.60.

Check out the Raise the Roof Progress Board! We have raised \$40,000, the level desired in order to begin the roof replacement, which begins tomorrow! The total needed is \$60,000. Thank you for your ongoing generosity! And thank you for your donations for Easter flowers last Sunday, which totaled \$364.00 for our Raise the Roof campaign.

Roof repair to begin tomorrow, April 28

Access to building will be limited for at least three days

Paddy's Roofing is scheduled to install our new roof starting tomorrow, April 28. The installation should take three or four days. For safety reasons, the church office will not be open on Monday, nor will Pr. Robbie have office hours on Wednesday, when it will also be closed.

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.



Beware of dead branches!



One of our trees has some dead branches that are being held in place only by ivy, and are therefore at risk of falling. Dirk Schulze has put caution tape around the area at risk. Until the problem is corrected, please avoid the area inside the caution tape. Thank you!

Let us pray for ...

Abby and Dan Radcliffe, Amanda Campbell, Annalise Fratta, Bernice Chiazza, Bill Glass, Bob McCord, Cecilia, Chris Collett, Danielle Fangman, Elizabeth Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Erica Zaiser, Gail Norris, Kimberly Cilento, Patrick Pileggi, Paul Schuler, Sarah Schreppler, Sue Vetrano, and William 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 treeoflifec@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.

Have youngsters, little grandchildren? Bring them to church!

And feel free to bring them to our WIGGLE ROOM (located behind the sanctuary) whenever they need a chance to move around. The room has toys, books, coloring books, even a private restroom with a few infant supplies. It is also equipped with an intercom system so that you can hear the service and decide when you want to return to the sanctuary.

Women of the ELCA meet for Bible Study once a month

Join Janet Adams and other women of Tree of Life on the first Thursday of the month at 10am at Panera's (on the west side of Middletown) for fellowship and a Bible study. Notice that the next gathering is this coming Wednesday, April 30, due to the five Wednesdays in April and other conflicts. *Questions?* See Janet.

Volunteer, participate, attend

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
APRIL 27 9:00am Adult Bible Study on the after-life 10:30am Worship Service	APRIL 28 OFFICE CLOSED	APRIL 29 OFFICE CLOSED	APRIL 30 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00am WELCA - at Panera Bread in Middletown	MAY 1 10:30am VBS planning meeting at St. Paul's	MAY 2 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	MAY 3 9am-3pm - Odessa May Fest at Library
MAY 4 9:00am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service	MAY 5 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office		MAY 7 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 2:00pm Choir practice 4:00pm-6:00pm Our Daily Bread	MAY 8	MAY 9 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	MAY 10

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