



**SERVICE
TIMES**

SATURDAY 6:00 P.M. / SUNDAY: 8:00 & 10:45 A.M.
LIVESTREAM AVAILABLE 8 A.M. AT [TRINITYPEORIA.COM](https://trinitypeoria.com)

MESSAGE BOARD

September 19-20, 2026

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IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

We are currently working on the 2026 Church Directory and need your set of eyes to proofread your information. A directory proof binder is on the small table in the foyer. Please take a minute to check your entry and write any changes off to the side. This proofing copy will remain in the foyer through early October, when we will be compiling the new directory.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

- **Adult Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. this Sunday, Pastor Nelson continues with the study series "Ethics and the Christian Life" in the Walther Room. Using Dr. Joel Biermann's theological insight and the Lutheran tradition's rich heritage, Pastor Nelson will look at ethics and their role in salvation.
 - **High School Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. Sunday in the SH Room. Led by DCE Scott Rauch, Trista Crady and Eric Hipple.
 - **Women's Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. in the Quiet Room at the rear of the sanctuary [NEW LOCATION]. Led by Cori Wong and focused on the book "Everyday Joys" by Tama Fortner.
 - **Jubilation At Church:** This Sunday will start with an Opening Fun Song and Prayer, and then singing rehearsal. September Jubilation Packets can be found in the foyer this weekend. Contact DCE Scott Rauch if you would like to receive a Jubilation at Home packet for your family.
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- **Wednesday Bible Study:** The group is studying the book of Isaiah - 7:30-8:30 a.m. on Google Meet (find the link on the Trinity website calendar each Wednesday. DCE Scott Rauch will lead the group. Come and join in for a good start to a Wednesday morning.

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The 2-Minute Drill / Online Giving
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IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

Those Serving In The Armed Forces

Aslan Fountain (grandson of Ralph Reichert)

Jeremy Thrane (grandson of Phyllis Basquin)

Madison Raistrick (granddaughter
of Donna Winkler)

Trinity Shut-Ins

Marlene Cook ~ Max Wessler ~ Carol Hinton

Alice Clark ~ Annette Smith ~ Flo Burns

Dinah Turner ~ Emma Ott ~ Barbara Cullen

Phyllis Basquin ~ Don & Pat Hagar

SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

70 Years: Alan and Nancy Hersemann (9)

15 Years: Rusty and Dana Weber (3)

5 Years: Tyler and Cheyenne Townsend (11)

OCTOBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

40 Years: Bob and Tammy Brown (30)

35 Years: Tim and Christine Copeland (12)

10 Years: Zak and Nicole Edmonds (8)

SEPTEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH

GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL

Gideons International (gideons.org/) is a body of believers dedicated to making the Word of God available to everyone and, together with the local church, reaching souls for Christ. Bill & Connie Wagner work with the Gideons.

TRINITY FOOD PANTRY

If you wish to donate to the Trinity Food Pantry, contact Diana Martino or Scott Rauch with questions. For October, which must be at Trinity by October 10, they are asking for canned pasta, boxed potatoes (not mashed) and crackers (not saltines). In August, the Trinity Food Pantry served 33 people.

MIDWEST FOOD BANK

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

The next Trinity volunteer dates are September 24 and November 19. The October date has been cancelled. All service times are 9:00-11:00 a.m. and all dates are Thursdays. The Midwest Food Bank is located at 9005 N. Industrial Rd., Peoria.

Registration link for all dates: <https://x.gldn.io/e/6eqww2Wdk0b>

AUGUST 2026 STATEMENT

Income: \$58,221 **Aug. Shortfall:** -\$28,809

Expenses: \$87,030 **YTD:** -\$169,802

Coming Up Sept. 26-27

17th Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Prov. 25:6-14; Eph. 4:1-6; Luke 14:1-11

Hymns: LSB 853, 557, 850

Preacher: Pastor Matthew B. Synnott

SPECIAL SALE DAYS/TIMES FOR UPCOMING GARAGE SALE

You've seen the items piling up all summer and now it's time to get Trinity's Garage Sale up and running. **NEXT SUNDAY, there will be a sale of items for the craftsman and outdoors enthusiast** in the Berean Room. Come from 9:00-9:30 a.m. and check out the MANY great items on sale. Then **Sunday, Oct. 4, there will be a special general sale day** for Trinity members from 9:00-9:30 a.m. in the gym. That Sunday will also start the gym set-up with day and evening hours through to the sale days. Everyone is encouraged to come and help. Contact DCE Scott Rauch [309-676-4609 / scottmrauch@trinitypeoria.com] for more information. The actual Garage Sale will run from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9 and 8:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Oct. 10.

INTERESTED IN LUTHERAN EARLY RESPONSE TEAM TRAINING?

Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) training events and resources are available for congregations and members of The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod (LCMS) to serve their neighbors in times of need following a disaster. While providing immediate support and long-term rebuilding assistance, disaster response also allows LCMS congregations and members to confess Christ to their community and the world. If you are interested in finding out more about LERT please see David Jenkins today after the 8:00 a.m. service in the foyer by the Walther Room doors or contact him at crfjenkindr@gmail.com.

WEEKLY TRINITY PRAYER SHEET

Submitting Prayer Requests:

Call, text or email Pastor Nelson (309) 453-7231; pastornelson@trinitypeoria.com

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE TRINITY MESSAGE BOARD BY EMAIL

If you or someone you know would like to receive the new Message Board by email, just contact Kerri in the church office 309-676-4609 or email tlc@trinitypeoria.com.

We can get the names added to the list.

You can also call the office to receive a paper copy of the Message Board if you do not have digital access.



REFORMATION HYMN FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, OCT. 25
2:00 P.M.



BUILT ON THE ROCK

Under the direction of our Cantor Peter Wykert, the hymn festival theme is "Built on the Rock". Music selections will include festival hymn arrangements of Kevin Hildebrand and historic chorales from Martin Luther's era placed side-by-side with modern songs from The Songwriter Initiative (TSI).

*You are also invited
to join us for an*

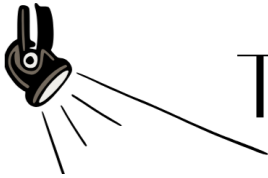
OKTOBERFEST MEAL

SERVING NOON - 1:30 P.M.

**MENU: Sausage, Schnitzel, Potato,
Sauerkraut & Applesauce**

**IF ATTENDING THE MEAL,
PLEASE RSVP AT TRINITYPEORIA.COM
OR USE THE CODE BELOW BY OCT. 19.**





TRINITY MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

JOSEF KLEFFMAN

1. What do you do for work?

I am a Cutter and tailor. I finished my apprenticeship in 1984. My bespoke garments for men or women are still drafted by hand, the patterns are transferred to the cloth, cut by hand. They then are assembled. Each suit requires three fittings to finish. It typically takes around 120 hours to finish a bespoke suit.

2. What are your hobbies or interests?

I have no time for hobbies but my interest includes watching movies from 1920 to mid 1950s with Film Noir being my favorite. I also love Japanese cinema that's pre 1970.

3. What service do you regularly attend?

I have made the Sunday 8am services regularly since I started attending in August of 2024. There has only been four times I attended Saturday evening services because I had to be out of town for work. I make it a point to go every Sunday and I look forward to it.



4. What brought you to Trinity and what do you enjoy at Trinity?

I was raised Lutheran because of my grandparents who went to Zion Lutheran. I was confirmed at age 12. After I married my wife in 1988 things got busy and church wasn't so important. In 2023 my wife was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and was admitted into Methodist the day before Thanksgiving 2023. She spent seven days in the hospital and every day I walked the skyway to the hospital, and I noticed Trinity on the hill. My wife continued chemotherapy until May of 2025 when she collapsed at home and was admitted to Methodist again this time for 16 days. Finally after seeing Trinity so much, I wondered if it was a Catholic or Lutheran church so I walked up to find out. I was impressed reading the cornerstone. I thought well this will be a church to come back to. My wife was released on May 16 to my care for hospice. She continued until passing away on Saturday Aug. 3, 2025. The next Sunday I started coming to Trinity and I have continued. What I enjoy is hearing the word every Sunday and the fellowship among the congregation. I am disappointed when I don't see my fellow members that sit around me every Sunday or the ones I visit with before Church and have coffee with after services because they are a big part of my life at Trinity.