

September 2026 at a Glance

Sept 2 - Lost & Found @ 1pm
Sept 6 - **Worship @ 9:45am**
Sept 7 - *Labor Day*, Office Closed
Sept 8 - Mission Team @ 6pm,
 Mary Circle @ 6:30pm
Sept 9 - Lost & Found @ 1pm,
 Prayer Time @ 2pm,
 Confirmation @ 4:30pm,
 R&R @ 6pm
Sept 10 - Esther Circle @ 10am
Sept 12 - Lost & Found Sorting @ 10am
Sept 13 - **Worship @ 9:45am**,
 Zoom Bible Study @ 5:30pm
Sept 15 - TLC Board @ 5am,
 Leadership @ 6:15pm
Sept 16 - Lost & Found @ 1pm
Sept 17 - Dominoes @ 1pm
Sept 19 - Saturday Sisters @ 9:30am
Sept 20 - **Worship @ 9:45am**,
 Youth Group @ 2pm
Sept 23 - Lost & Found @ 1pm,
 Prayer Time @ 2pm,
 Confirmation @ 4:30pm,
 R&R @ 6pm
Sept 25 - Crafting for Christ @ 6pm
Sept 26 - Trinity Men @ 8am,
 Lost & Found @ 10am
Sept 27 - **Worship @ 9:45am**,
 Don & Millie's Day,
 Worship Team @ 11am,
 Zoom Bible Study @ 5:30pm
Sept 30 - Lost & Found @ 1pm

Through the month of August, the people who have been reading scripture have been commenting on how short the first scripture has been each week. This past summer, the goal has been to reconnect with the book of Proverbs as Trinity has explored the places in the world that Jesus can be found. I shared last week that this would be ending because in September, Trinity will be reading Psalm 119. This is the longest chapter in the Bible, and can take up to 15 minutes to read it aloud.

The good news about this is that each Sunday, a section of the chapter will be read, not the entire chapter. However, this might be a good month to take time to sit and read all of Psalm 119. As you read it, you might notice that it is broken up into sections. At the start of each section is a symbol and then a word that will be unfamiliar to most. For example before verse one is the word Alef. This is the first letter in the Hebrew alphabet. There are 22 letters in the Hebrew alphabet and 22 sections in Psalm 119.

This is because Psalm 119 was used to teach key teachings in the Jewish religion. The alphabet was used to help with memorization, so these teachings would be learned by all people of the Jewish faith. This September, worship at Trinity will take these teaching that are the foundation of what Jesus shared in his life and combine it with the book of Philippians, a great book about what it looks like to live in the saving love and grace of Christ. With these books together, Trinity will be focusing on what matters most for all of us as Christians!

Hope to see you in September!
 Pastor Tessa

Office Closed

The church office will be closed on Mon, Sept 7th in observance of Labor Day.



Confirmation

Confirmation continues to meet every other Wednesday afternoon at 4:30pm. During September, the dates are the 9th & 23rd. This is a great time to come and learn about what it means to be a United Methodist.

Sunday Evening Bible Study

The Sunday Evening Bible Study resumes during the month of September on the 2nd and 4th Sundays. Join them over Zoom on Sept 13th @ 5:30 pm. Bring ideas on what to study.

R&R

R&R is a time for people of all ages to come together for a time to reflect on our faith and be revived. Meeting on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, we start with a meal at 6pm, and then have a lesson or do an activity (often mission related). During September, we will meet on the 9th & 23rd.



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Sunday Worship: 9:45am in person + online

Pastor: Rev Tessa Zehring

TLC Director: Megan Greise **Media Director/Worship Leader:** Matthew Hindley

Accompanist: Caleb Silcott **Office Manager:** Lowell Schlenker

Mission/Trunk or Treat Meeting

Mission Team meeting will be on Tues, Sept 8th at 6 pm. This will be the planning time for Trunk or Treat. Please plan to attend if you want to help plan this event!



Dominoes

Come play a hand or more of dominoes on Thurs, Sept 17th from 1 - 3pm. Light refreshments provided. Trinity invites all in the community to fellowship together for an afternoon of fun. All are welcome!

Youth Group

Youth Group meets on Sun, Sept 20th at 2pm. Youth Group is open to anyone in grades 4th through 12th. Come and join in the fun!

Crafting for Christ

Crafting for Christ meets Frid, Sept 25th from 6 - 9pm. Regardless of if you have a project or not, come and enjoy crafting, playing games, snacking, and building community together.

Men’s Group

The Trinity Men are meeting on Sat, Sept 26th at 8am. They invite anyone interested to join them.

Make plans to join us for the Inaugural



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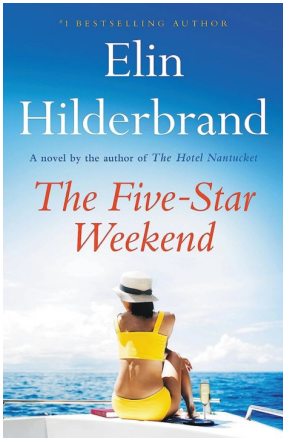
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For schedule of events, invited artists and more visit HeartlandPleinAir.org

Saturday Sisters Book Club

Saturday Sisters will meet on Sept 19th at 9:30am in Room 205. This month, our selection is *The Five-Star Weekend* by Elin Hilderbrand.

Hollis Shaw is the star of a popular food blog and married to a heart surgeon. But after her husband is killed in a car accident, the cracks in her near perfect life grow deeper. She decides to host a Five-Star Weekend, inviting her best friend from her teenage years, her twenties, her thirties and mid-life. But the weekend won't be the Hallmark movie one might expect.



You are welcome to join us for fellowship and discussion.

Heartland Plein Air Festival

The Heartland Plein Air Festival is a new, weeklong celebration of art made outdoors and in real time. From Sept 13th–19th, 24 nationally recognized artists will paint at locations across Ralston and the Omaha metro. Community members are invited to watch artists at work, attend public events, and experience familiar places through a new lens. The festival concludes with a free gallery exhibition and sale of the completed works at The Granary on Sat, Sept 19th, from 11am–4pm.

The festival begins with a special, free opportunity for young artists: the Youth Paintout at Wildewood Park on Sat, Sept 12th, from 10am–Noon. Children and teens can paint outdoors in the park, then celebrate their work at the Youth Art Show Reception that evening at Baright Public Library. Pre-registration is required.

We are also seeking volunteers to help welcome artists and visitors. Volunteers can be anyone who loves the arts, wants to give back to the Ralston community, or simply wants to help create a warm and welcoming experience. Opportunities include event setup, artist registration, hospitality, art wrapping, and more.

To learn more, visit heartlandpleinair.org. You can also follow the festival on social media at @ralstoncreativedistrict for event updates, artist information, and reminders throughout the week.



Ralston Archives

The Frank and Velma Johnson Ralston Archives will be open Sun, Sept 20th from 4 - 6:30pm. Come and see what’s new!

Happy Birthday!

Would you like us to share your birthday with the church? Submit when your birthday is to the church office, and we will share it the week before it happens.