

Trinity Lutheran Church
Announcements
July 5-11

Live Stream Worship Service—A reminder that both Sunday services are live-streamed on our website (tlcmidland.org), available on You Tube (TLCMid3701), and Facebook (facebook.com/MidlandTLC). Please be aware that you may be seen on camera as you go up for the children's message or communion.

The flowers on the altar are given by Julie Norris in memory of Bill.

Today we welcome **Pastor Scott Torkko**, assistant to **Bishop Scheider-Thomas**, to our pulpit. **Pastor Jeff** is on vacation this week.

Tomorrow 6 of our high school youth will be heading to Gaylord, Michigan to make a real difference! We'll be serving a community still rebuilding after major ice storms last winter, along with other recent challenges Please keep them in your prayers. They will return on Sunday, July 19.

It's Time for Trinity to Rock the Block with Habitat for Humanity. Each year, the Trinity team has



participated in the event designed to help our neighbors and spruce up neighborhoods. The event is in Coleman, Tuesday through Thursday, July 14-16. This year's assignment is a neighbor who needs a deck demo'd and rebuilt, as well as doors installed and yard clean-up. You can join the fun for all or part of this project. We will meet at 830 AM at the ball diamonds in the center of Coleman, where we will sign in and receive a T-shirt. Lunch will be provided each day. Call Jerry Hahnfeld with any questions at 989-600-7113 or hahnfeld27@gmail.com.

We welcome Carrie Levasseur - Front Desk Receptionist—to our Trinity staff.



Carrie is excited to join the team and be part of a community centered on faith, service, and connection. She brings a diverse professional background with experience in graphic design, medical assisting, and administrative management, along with a passion for serving others.

She has been blessed with a wonderful family and enjoys spending time with her husband and daughter. In her free time, Carrie loves being in nature, creating art, and spending time with her dog, Gus. She finds joy in God's creation and appreciates opportunities to use her gifts to encourage and serve others. She looks forward to getting to know everyone and being a welcoming presence for the church family.



Listening in Love will resume in the fall in the Hearth Room

Many of us know and love someone who identifies with the LGBTQIA+ community. This group discusses how we can support one another and our loved ones.

We are taking a break in group meetings for the summer, but feel free to reach out to Gaylene LeVally at levallygaylene@gmail.com if you have any questions or would just like to talk.

For anyone interested in the RIC "Building an Inclusive Church" toolkit, digital copies are available on the Reconciling Works website, and physical copies are available at the church. Have a blessed summer!



Need a prayer? We all go through circumstances from time to time where we could use an extra prayer or someone to listen. Trinity Lutheran has Stephen Ministers throughout the congregation who are trained to provide prayer, care, and comfort. If you find yourself needing a little extra care today, please stop in the Hearth Room after the service. A Stephen Minister will be there to share a prayer with you.



Trinity's Stephen Ministry is looking to recruit and train new Stephen Ministry care givers in September. Trained care givers provide one on one, distinctively Christian care to those experiencing a difficult time in life and share Christ's love and support to them. If you decide to take on this ministry, you will be provided considerable training. The training consists of 50 hours, meeting once a week from September through May, after which you will be commissioned. After commissioning you will be asked to attend monthly meetings with other Stephen Ministers to receive continuing education and support.

We are hoping to get a group of 5 or more, so tell your friends, pray for guidance in joining this important ministry. If you are interested, and would like more information, contact one of the SM leaders or ask a SM caregiver with a blue nametag. You will love this ministry!

SM Leaders are: John Burke, 989-295-4990 Kathy Allen, 989-492-4091 Heather Wolters, 913-680-9243
Kathy Skogen, 989-859-1295

Open Door— We are looking for help with making and serving lunch on Wednesday, July 22. We arrive about 9:30, make lunch, and serve it. We are usually done around 1:30pm. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lee Smith at (989) 415-5020.



COMMUNITY FREE SALE ---- Our next Free Rummage Sale will be held on August 1, 2026, from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Donations may be dropped off at any time. Please stop at the Welcome Desk to pick up the key and return it when you are finished. Important: Please do not enter the fenced area of the parking lot. You may drive on the grass to unload your donations.

You may also wait until July 18, which will be a special gathering day from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. We will need volunteers to:

- Unload cars
- Sort items inside
- Give breaks to other volunteers

If you have items to donate, please bring them on July 18 and we will help you unload them. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Avery at 989-600-8702.



Holy Land Pilgrimage - January 18–28, 2027. We invite you to pray about joining a Holy Land Pilgrimage in January 2027. This sacred journey will take us to the places where Jesus lived and taught—Galilee, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, and more—combining worship, learning, and reflection along the way. Led by Pastor Jeff, this pilgrimage is an invitation to walk the land of the Bible and let scripture come alive in new and meaningful ways. Questions are always welcome.



Visioning Trinity's Future: We have created a spot on the church's website to keep you updated with our process of visioning and strategic planning. You will find meeting minutes, what is happening and what is next. On the website, look under the heading "About" for "Mission and Vision". Check back often to keep up to date on



Christ In Our Home—The newest edition of Christ In Our Home is now available at Trinity's Coffee Café. This daily devotional offers readings and prayers for July, August, and September. Both regular and large print editions are available. Pick up your free copy today.

One of the many ways we make connections with God and with others is through the gift of Bible Study! Consider joining one this week.



Antioch Circle--- Please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, July 21 at 1:00 p.m. in the Hearth Room. Contact Judy Richardson for details.



Trinity Men's Ministry All Men Welcome! Last Thursday of the month at 7:30am. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 30, in the church conference room.

WEDNESDAYS

- **Sunday's Coming Bible Study** meets on Wednesday. Come join us as we look at lessons for the coming weekend and enjoy a lively discussion. This group meets at 10:00 am in the hearth room.

THURSDAYS

- **Ladies Small Group.** Please join us on Thursday, at 12:30 in the Hearth Room. This is not a Bible study, just a time for ladies to get together for prayer and sometimes a book study.



There is no children's Sunday School. Enjoy your summer and we will see you in September.

The Adult Sunday School class will not meet over the summer.

Trinity Women's Life Group will resume in the fall with a new study.



The Coffee and Conversation Group meet on Monday afternoons at 1:00pm and Tuesday mornings at 9:00am at Stranded Yarn and Coffee. Please join us.

Please take a moment to sign the friendship register found in each pew. This helps us welcome visitors to our worship service and allows you to put a name with a face among members you may not yet know.

ACT Uganda - We're excited to share a new way you can support ACT. It's called RoundUp.org. Here's how it works: Every time you make a purchase using your VISA or Mastercard, your total is rounded up to the nearest dollar, and the spare change goes to support ACT. Grab a coffee, groceries, gas — it all adds up to meaningful, ongoing support. You get to set the upper limit, with a minimum donation of \$10 per month. Learn more and get started at Roundup.org. Once on their website, go to the non-profit search field and enter: Agape Community Transformation. It takes about 30 seconds to set up, and then it runs quietly in the background. Small change. Real impact. Contact Diane Busch at diane.busch@actuganda.org if you have any questions. Thank you!



Flocking for a Cure (American Cancer Society/Relay for Life)

Send a flock of flamingos to a friend's yard in support of Relay for Life/ American Cancer Society. Flocking is available in Midland County, Freeland and Auburn areas. If interested, see the flyer on the bulletin board near the nursery or see Cathy Bloomfield.



Calling all Preschoolers! Trinity Lutheran Preschool is accepting applications for the 2026-2027 school year for all church members, including current and returning preschool families. Class offerings will be for 3–5-year-olds, with a Lunchtime Learners program from 12-1 pm for the 4 & 5 year olds. Our preschoolers are constantly learning, laughing and growing as they explore art, math, science, and more while socializing with children their own age in a loving & caring environment. Stop in and see why Trinity Lutheran Preschool is one of the most honorable and highly recognized organizations offering early childhood education in the Midland area! Call Andrea at 989-631-0692 for information, a registration packet, and a tour of our facility. Email: trinitylutheranpreschool@gmail.com for more information.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Remember in your prayers this week: Carrie, Carol, Kelly, Jennifer, Eric, Claude, and Sara.

Remember in your prayers those with Cancer: Craig

Stewardship Update

Attendance for July 4/5: 175 in person 246 live-stream

Received: \$ 5207.00

Unified Fund Income (from Offerings & Donations) &
Expenses (aligned to the budget - Operations, Benevolence, Resources, Education, etc.):*

May 2026 (Unified Fund Only*)	
Income:	\$ 96,147
Expenses:	\$ 94,354
	\$ 1,793

YTD through May 2026 (Unified Fund & YTD Investment Return*)	
Income:	\$ 419,216
Investment Return:	\$ 291,256
Expenses:	\$ 512,173
	\$ 198,299

****Not included: Dedicated Fund and Trinity Trust Fund balances***

If there are any questions, please contact Council Treasurer, Glen Mutscher.

Calendar

July 12-

	Sunday, July 12			Thursday, July 16
9:30am	Worship Service		9:00am	Quilting Workshop
11:15am	Summer Choir Rehearsal		12:00pm	Kiwanis Board Meeting
			12:30pm	Disability Network
	Monday, July 13		12:30pm	Ladies Small Group
9:30am	Senior Yoga		6:30pm	Worship Team Rehearsal
1:00pm	Youth leave on mission trip		7:00pm	Recovery Group
1:00pm	Coffee and Conversation at Stranded Yarn and Coffee		7:00pm	Midland Community Orchestra
5:30pm	Asset Management			
7:00pm	Midland Serenity Group			Friday, July 17
			9:30am	Senior Yoga
	Tuesday, July 14			
9:00am	Coffee and Conversation at Stranded Yarn and Coffee			Saturday, July 18
11:00am	Kiwassee Kiwanis		9:00am	Gathering Day for Rummage Sale
12:00pm	Staff Meeting		5:00pm	Worship Service
6:00pm	Not Quite Home Band			
6:00pm	Boulder Creek Condo Assoc.			Sunday, July 19
			9:30am	Worship Service
	Wednesday, July 15		11:15am	Summer Choir Rehearsal
9:00am	PEO			Youth return from Mission Trip
10:00am	Sunday's Coming Bible Study			
12:00pm	Disability Network			
6:00pm	Dino's at Dow Gardens			
7:00pm	Recovery Group			