

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**Announcements**  
**June 28-July 4**

**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 Harold and Jean Frost in honor of their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**A Welcome Reception for Vicar Sophie** will be held following worship Saturday and Sunday in the Gathering room. Those that wish may also take a tour of Vicar Sophie’s house.

**Church Directory**—Everyone is asking about the new Church Directory that we started back in November. We are sorry that it is taking much longer than we had hoped but we are about 90% ready to send it to the printer. We hope to have the directory ready to give out by the end of July.



**Thank you all for a fabulous Road Trip VBS!!!** I appreciate everyone who volunteered their time teaching, leading, decorating, donating, prepping, and praying! 50 kids traveled with over 30 volunteers through Bible stories, games, crafts, snack time, and science! Our theme verse is: "The Lord your God is with you, wherever you go." Joshua 1:9. Thank you for helping us learn more about God's love and His promises! Melanie Lonsway



**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!



**Today is your last chance to purchase tickets for the Loons Baseball Game--** Sponsored by XYZ 50+ --- Friday July 10 7pm

Families and all ages welcome--- tickets are \$12.50 per seat.

Foodie Friday - \$2.00 hotdogs, \$1.00 each 16oz drink, chips, ice cream sandwich. Dow Diamond is cashless – only credit or debit cards are accepted. This includes parking, concessions and Loon Loft.

Using one of the small envelopes provided, fill out the front and place inside cash or a check made out to Trinity Lutheran Church for the total number of tickets requested. All seats are \$12.50 (children and adults). Give your completed envelope to a receptionist at the Welcome Desk or place it in the lock box by the door to the main office. Deadline for ticket money is JUNE 28. Your money envelope is your sign-up. Tickets will be available at the Welcome Desk beginning July 2. Contact Lorna Strautman 989-860-2906 or Nancy Perry 989-295-3014 with questions.



**Good people of Trinity!** Please help the Legacy Center in providing \$10.00 McDonald gift cards or large size, plain sweatshirts for the Legacy Center’s “Coalition for Substance Free Resiliency”. They will be distributed in backpacks given to clients upon discharge from jail. Many are homeless and these items will assist them with some of their needs. Multiple churches and agencies are helping with this endeavor. We hope to get 100 backpacks filled with needed supplies. If you have any questions, please see or call Pam Fagan.



**Summer Choir!** This summer join with other singers at Trinity to learn easy-to-sing anthems for our Sunday worship services. Practice will be on Sundays at 11:15 am starting today in the choir room. Each rehearsal will be for the following Sunday, so you have the flexibility to attend the weeks you'll be available to sing. The first two anthems are scheduled for June 7 and June 14. If enough people participate, we will continue throughout the summer. Hope to sing 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 8 and 22nd. 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.



**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.



**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 what is happening.



***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.



**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](mailto:trinitylutheranpreschool@gmail.com) for more information.

**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.



**High School Youth Group Mission Trip | July 13–19**

This summer, our High School Youth Group is hitting the road and 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—and we’re THRILLED to be part of that work. The cost of attending is \$300 per person, and the last day to sign up will be Sunday, May 17th. If you’re currently in high school—or *will be next year*—this trip has your name on it.

Come serve, grow, laugh, and make memories that matter together. ADULTS!!! Please consider joining us! We need chaperones, mentors, and handy folk to help, and we would LOVE to have YOU with us! For questions, please contact Joe Johnson.



**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Remember in your prayers this week:** Mark, Meghan, Jerry, Aunt Bev’s family, Craig, Kevin, and Jen.

**Remember in your prayers those with Cancer:** June, Sara, Jacki, Craig, Joe, Judy, Jerry, Angie, MaryBeth, Jake, Jodi, Greg, Rayana, Barbara, Sharon, Tom, and Anne.

Stewardship Update

Attendance for June 20/21: 282 in person 272 live-stream  
 Received: \$ 5108.40

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

<b>May 2026</b> (Unified Fund Only*)		<b>YTD through May 2026</b> (Unified Fund & YTD Investment Return*)	
Income:	\$ 96,147	Income:	\$ 419,216
Expenses:	\$ 94,354	Investment Return:	\$ 291,256
	\$ 1,793	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

June 28-July 5

	<b>Sunday, June 28</b>				<b>Thursday, July 2</b>
9:30am	Worship Service			9:00am	Quilting Workshop
10:30am	Welcome Reception for Vicar Sophie			12:30pm	Ladies Small Group
11:15am	Summer Choir Rehearsal			6:30pm	Worship Team Rehearsal
12:30pm	International Travel Group Meeting			7:00pm	Recovery Group
	<b>Monday, June 29</b>				<b>Friday, July 3</b>
1:00pm	Coffee and Conversation at Stranded Yarn and Coffee				OFFICE CLOSED FOR 4 <sup>TH</sup> OF JULY
6:30pm	Children's Ministry Team Meeting				
7:00pm	Midland Serenity Group				<b>Saturday, July 4</b>
				5:00pm	Worship Service
	<b>Tuesday, June 30</b>				
9:00am	Coffee and Conversation at Stranded Yarn and Coffee				<b>Sunday, July 5</b>
11:00am	Kiwassee Kiwanis				Leave for Elementary Camp
12:00pm	Staff Meeting			9:30am	Worship Service
6:00pm	Evergreen Garden Club			11:15am	Summer Choir Rehearsal
	<b>Wednesday, July 1</b>				
10:00am	Sunday's Coming Bible Study				
12:00pm	Disability Network				
7:00pm	Recovery Group				