



# The Burning Bush

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

Odessa, DE

October 20, 2024

## HYMNS

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**This is Christ's church. There is a place for you here.**

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.



## We welcome all to Tree of Life

Please sign in to let us know who you are - especially if you are visiting - so we can welcome you properly. Please feel free to take a face mask available at the sign-in area.

During our "sharing of the peace," please do not feel obligated to shake hands: those who simply wave are also sharing the peace. **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 all called to serve

To volunteer to serve during worship, see Gene Zaiser or contact him at [gzaiser@yahoo.com](mailto:gzaiser@yahoo.com).

We thank today's worship volunteers:

Carolyn Lewis, usher; Gene Zaiser, worship assistant; Kaitlyn Yetsko, acolyte; Nicky Zaiser, altar preparer; Jean Schulz, fellowship provider; and Maxine Campbell, offering counter.

The offering for last Sunday, October 13, was \$3,125.00. The average weekly offering for the month of September was \$2,538.00.

## You can make a difference

\*\* Knot Quilters and Project Linus Blankets - 10am to noon, 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. 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.

## All Saints Sunday is November 3

All Saints Sunday is a time when we remember by name and give thanks for all the saints who now rest in God's eternal kingdom. In addition to Tree of Life members, we are also happy to remember anyone close to you who now rests with God. You can find cards to fill out as you enter the sanctuary (Deposit them in the offering plate), or you can email the church office at [treeoflife@verizon.net](mailto:treeoflife@verizon.net) with the person's name, your name, and your relationship. *Questions?* See Pastor Robbie.

## Take note

\*\* Watch for information from Church Council about the **formation of a fund to replace the roof.**

\*\* There are openings on **Council**. Want to learn more? See Council President Nicky Zaiser.

\*\* The **Knot Quilters and Project Linus Blanket makers** need help. Join them on the first Wednesday of the month from 10:00am to noon.

\*\* On October 26 from 10:00am to 2:00pm, head over to the Middletown Police Station to safely dispose of your no longer needed drugs, liquids, sharps, even vape devices. This is the National DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency) **Take Back Rx Day**.

\*\* **Reformation Sunday** is coming up next Sunday, October 27, the day we remember Martin Luther, his *95 Theses* or Grievances, and the beginning of the Reformation of the Church. **Wear red!**

\*\* Watch for information in your mail about **Stewardship Sunday**, November 17.

## Let us pray for ...

Amanda Campbell, Annalise Fratta, Anya Smith, Bill Glass, Christine K., Cindy Johnson, Dale & Clara Newcomb, Danielle Fangman, Elizabeth Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Erica Zaiser, the family of Brian Fluck, Gail Norris, Grace Cilento and family, Grace Haviland, Jack Barilla, Kenneth LaMar, Linda Klein and Jeff Hillwig, Marilyn Brill, Mercedes Fisher, Patrick Pileggi, Paul Cronin, Paul Schuler, Richard Jackson, AND Sarah Schreppler. **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](mailto:treeoflifec@verizon.net). Please include the full name of the person as well as yours. It is also important to notify the church office when this person can be taken off the list. Non-Tree of Life members will remain on the list for two weeks unless someone asks that they remain.



## Volunteers needed for community outreach

As part of letting the community know that we are here, we will have a table at Odessa's **HALLOWEEN IN THE PARK**, Saturday, October 26, from 2:00-4:00pm. It takes place at Memorial Park, 623 Main Street. We'll be handing out candy and our Tree of Life Welcome Brochure. Pick your own time, whatever works for you, between 2:00 and 4:00pm.

*Want to help?* Talk to Sylvia Schill or Pastor Robbie.

<i>Attend, participate, volunteer</i>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes-day	Thurs-day	Friday	Satur-day
<b>OCTOBER 20</b> <b>Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:00am Adult Bible Study of the Book of Ruth 10:30am Worship Service Choir rehearsal Noon-1:30 Kingdom Kids and Confirmation	<b>OCTOBER 21</b> 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	<b>OCTOBER 22</b> 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	<b>OCT 23</b>	<b>OCT 24</b>	<b>OCTOBER 25</b> 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	<b>OCT 26</b> 10am-2pm DEA Take Back Rx Day 2-4:00pm Odessa's Halloween in the Park
<b>OCTOBER 27</b> <b>REFORMATION SUNDAY</b> <b>Wear RED</b> 9:00am Adult Bible Study of the Book of Ruth 10:30am Worship Service Choir rehearsal	<b>OCTOBER 28</b>	<b>OCTOBER 29</b>	<b>OCT 30</b>	<b>OCT. 31</b> 	<b>NOVEMBER 1</b> All Saints Day	<b>NOV. 2</b>

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