



The Burning Bush

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

Odessa, DE

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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.

We thank today's worship volunteers:

Maxine Campbell, usher and altar preparer; Janet Adams, worship assistant; Kaitlyn Yetsko, acolyte; Gene Zaiser, offering counter; and Becky Bullock, fellowship provider.

The offering for last Sunday, September 15, was \$1,838.00. The average weekly offering for the month of August was \$2,421.00.

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.



Not your normal Bible study!

Come whenever you can, Sunday mornings before worship service at 9:00am. The group is exploring the *Book of Ruth* through the format of a play and each participant reads a part. The group will then read the actual biblical text to see if they agree with the play writer's interpretation.

Kingdom Kids and Confirmation Class welcome new kids!

We now meet Sundays after worship from noon-1:30pm about every other Sunday. We're trying hard to accommodate our families' busy schedules. We gather in pastor's office for pizza, chicken nuggets, subs... do a group activity, and then divide into our two classes.

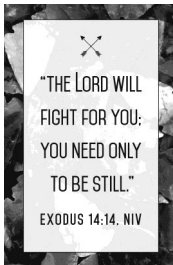
This year we're delighted to welcome two pre-schoolers, Levi Pileggi and Logan Yetsko. We're always looking for adult volunteers to sit in on these classes to conform with the Safe Sanctuary policies which call for at least two adults in a room whenever kids are present.

The schedule of Sundays is on our web site www.treeoflifechurchde.com, posted on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board and in the **LEAFLET**. The next classes will be October 6 and 20. Questions? See Pam Nichols or Pastor Robbie.

Let us pray for ...

Amanda Campbell, the family of Amelia Trautner, Annalise Fratta, Anya Smith, Bill Glass, Christine K., Cindy Johnson, Dale & Clara Newcomb, Dallas Dean, Danielle Fangman, Elizabeth Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Erica Zaiser, Gail Norris, Grace Cilento and family, Grace Haviland, Jack Barilla, Kenneth LaMar, 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. 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.



“Be still, God will fight your battles” - Exodus 14:14

Today’s Offertory song is from a traditional African-American text and tune, arranged by Nolan Williams, Jr. who was born in 1969. It is a call-and-response spiritual where the workers (in this case, the slaves) in the field or chain gang would repeat what was sung by the leader, calling on their faith to keep them strong and hopeful.

The congregation is invited to respond by repeating the simple “call” lines.

Attend, participate, volunteer

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SEPTEMBER 22 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost No Adult Bible Study today 10:30am Worship Service	SEPTEMBER 23 1:00pm-4:00pm Maria Gue in office Pastor away at a conference ...	SEPT 24 ... September 23-26	SEPT 25	SEPT 26	SEPT 27 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Maria Gue in office	SEPT 28
SEPTEMBER 29 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00am Adult Bible Study of Book of Ruth 10:30am Worship Service	SEPTEMBER 30 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	OCTOBER 1 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	OCT 2	OCT 3 10:00am WELCA at Panera’s 6:00pm Worship & Music Comm. Meeting	OCTOBER 4 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office 3-5:30pm Blessing of the Animals at Wiley Farms	OCT 5

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