

The Burning Bush

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

Odessa, DE

June 2, 2024

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.



Welcome to the second Sunday after Pentecost

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 assistants:

George Matz, usher; Gene Zaiser, worship assistant, altar preparer and counter; Kaitlyn Yetsko, acolyte; and Nicky Zaiser, fellowship provider.

The offering for last Sunday, May 26, was \$2,466.66. The average offering for the month of May was \$2,377.42.

Ongoing service opportunities

- ** Knot Quilters and Project Linus Blankets 10am to noon, second Wednesdays. See Nicky Zaiser and Janet Adams, respectively.
- ** Seamans Center Donations of toiletries, snacks, socks, etc. Questions? See Gene Zaiser
- ** Pill bottle ministry Place your clean, empty pill bottles in the box at the Donation Station between the Narthex and the kitchen. Bottles are sorted, counted and packed up for mailing to the Matthew 25 Ministries by our Kingdom Kids. Questions? See Pam Nichols.
- ** Donations for "Our Daily Bread" Pick up a bag and list of food products at the new Donation Station. Questions? See Sylvia Schill. Thank you!

NEW service opportunity: Join our Outreach Team

What does it mean to serve not just each other, but also people outside of our church walls? Join our new Outreach Team and help us figure that out. There is a sign-up sheet on the kitchen bulletin board. *Questions or comments?* See Pastor Robbie.

Sign up today for Progressive Dinner, Saturday, June 22



This is a chance to meet, socialize and have fellowship with other adults here at Tree of Life—both our younger adults as well as the more veteran!

How will it work? We'll start at someone's house for an appetizer; then move on to another home for a main dish; and a third and final stop for dessert. If you care to volunteer to be a host home for one of these parts of the meal, feel free to ask friends to help you! You don't have to prepare everything. Please indicate that you will attend

by signing up on the sheet on the kitchen bulletin board.

Questions? See Carla Fiske or contact her at cbfiske@gmail.com.

Let us pray for ...

Amanda Campbell, Annalise Fratta, Anya Smith, Bill Glass, Christiine K., Cindy Johnson, Dale & Clara Newcomb, Dallas Dean, Danielle Fangman, Elizabeth Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Erica Zaiser, Grace Cilento and family, Grace Haviland, Jack Barilla, Kenneth LaMar, Marilyn Brill, Mercedes Fisher, Pam Baker, Patrick Pileggi, 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 *treeoflifelc@verizon.net*. Please include the full name of the person to be included, as ys, 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.

We need volunteers for *STELLAR*: *Out of this World* Vacation Bible School set for August 5-9, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

We are in need of volunteers to help out with Vacation Bible School. Once again we are partnering with St. Paul's UMC here in Odessa. Monday and Tuesday will at St. Paul's; Wednesday and Thursday will be here. Areas include crafts, mission, Bible Study, games and snacks. There are two sets of guides on the conference table in the office for each of these areas. Feel free to take a look! Each area will have at least two volunteers, one from Tree of Life and one from St. Paul's. And, of course, we are accepting registration forms for all pre-K through pre-teen kids. Find flyers and registration forms in the back of the Sanctuary. As is our custom, Friday will feature a field trip. Details to come soon!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes- day	Thursday	Friday	Satur- day
JUNE 2 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9:00am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service	JUNE 3 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	JUNE 4 10am- 1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	JUNE 5 4:00pm Worship & Music	JUNE 6 10:00am WELCA Bible study at Panera	JUNE 7 10am-1pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00-4:00pm Maria Gue in office	JUNE 8
JUNE 9 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 10:30am Worship Service	JUNE 10 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	JUNE 11 10am- 1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 6:00pm	JUNE 12 10:00am Knot Quilters & Project Linus blanket makers	JUNE 13 Noon OWLS at Baywood Clubhouse Restaurant, Longneck; deadline June 9	JUNE 14	JUNE 15 10am- 2:00pm Odessa Fire Co. Open House

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