



# The Burning Bush

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

Odessa, DE

September 15, 2024

## HYMNS

660

774

471 & 483

677

**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; Olivia Brill, acolyte; Nicky Zaiser, altar preparer; Maxine Campbell, offering counter; and Jean Schulz, fellowship provider.

The offering for last Sunday, September 8, was \$1,917.00. 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.



**What a kick-off!** Many thanks to Carla Fiske and her committee for a delicious Rally Day picnic last Sunday. Our Fellowship Providers are a blessing. And many thanks to the cooks and bakers in our congregation for their delicious salads and other side dishes.

## Kingdom Kids and Confirmation Class resume today

Beginning today from noon to 1:30pm we resume our faith formation Sunday School and Confirmation classes. We'll gather in pastor's office for pizza, include a group welcome, sort out the next batch of pill bottles for the Matthew 25: Ministry, weed and continue to harvest the garden for Neighborhood House, and then do a short activity/introduction to our classes. This year we're delighted to be welcoming two pre-schoolers to the Kingdom Kids class, 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](http://www.treeoflifechurchde.com), posted on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board and in the **LEAFLET**. The next classes will be October 6. *Questions?* See Pam Nichols.

## Let us pray for ...

Amanda Campbell, 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, Pam Baker, 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.



### Here are details about the funeral for Dallas Dean

The funeral for Dallas Dean will take place this Wednesday, September 18, at Spicer Mullikin, 275 E. Main St. in Middletown. Visitation is at 10:00am; the service will begin at 11:00am; and burial will follow at Old Drawyers Cemetery, 2839 DuPont Parkway, just north of the Odessa Sunoco station on Rte. 13.

For more details go to <https://spicermullikin.com/dallas-plugge-dean/>.

### Attend, participate, volunteer

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>SEPTEMBER 15</b> <b>Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost</b> 10:30am Worship Service Choir rehearsal Noon-1:30pm Kingdom Kids and Confirmation Class	<b>SEPTEMBER 16</b> 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	<b>SEPT 17</b> 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	<b>SEPT 18</b> 10:00am Viewing and 11:00am Service for Dallas Dean at Spicer-Mulliken. See above.	<b>SEPT 19</b>	<b>SEPT 20</b> 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	<b>SEPT 21</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER 22</b> <b>Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b> 9:00am Adult Bible Study of Book of Ruth 10:30am Worship Service	<b>SEPTEMBER 23</b> 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office <b>Pastor away at a conference Sept. 23-26</b>	<b>SEPT 24</b>	<b>SEPT 25</b>	<b>SEPT 26</b>	<b>SEPT 27</b> 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	<b>SEPT 28</b>

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