



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.



Welcome!

We hope you feel comfortable being your full self here. We trust you find compassion and forgiveness, joy and community, and love among us. Please sign in to let us know who you are. We'd love to get to know you, connect you with others, and accompany you along your faith journey.

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 @yahoo.com.

We thank today's worship service volunteers:

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

The offering for last Sunday, October 20, was \$1,715.00. 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.

Questions? See Pam Nichols.

All Saints Sunday is next week, 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 call or email the church office **by noon this Wednesday, October 30** 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. **They just delivered 24 beautiful quilts to Lutheran World Relief.**

** We will have a table at the **Odessa Fall Faire held this Saturday, Nov. 2**, at the Odessa Corbitt Library from 10:00am-2:00pm. Sign up on the bulletin board in the kitchen to man our table during a time slot of your choosing.

** Watch for a letter in your mail with information about **Stewardship Sunday**, November 17.

** Thanks to Dirk Schulze we are updating our **photo board** of members. Say cheese!

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, Noretta Burke, 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.

Election Day Prayer service here; community invited

Pastor Robbie is inviting churches in our community to an informal “Prayers for the Country” service on November 5, Election Day. It will be held here at Tree of Life beginning at noon for only twenty or thirty minutes.

Also new this year is a **Community Thanksgiving Service Tuesday, November 26** to be held at Immanuel UMC in Townsend at 7pm. And our annual **Live Nativity, Saturday, December 21.**

More information coming soon about these community events.

<i>Attend, participate, volunteer</i>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OCTOBER 27 REFORMATION SUNDAY Wear RED 9:00am Adult Bible Study of the Book of Ruth 10:30am Worship Service 11:45 Choir rehearsal	OCTOBER 28 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	OCTOBER 29 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	OCT 30	OCT. 31 	NOV 1 All Saints Day 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	NOV. 2 10:00am-3:00pm Odessa Fall Faire at Corbitt Library, Odessa
NOVEMBER 3 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 9:00am Adult Bible Study of the Book of Ruth 10:30am Worship Service Annual visit by Gideons Int'l 11:45am Choir rehearsal Noon– Kingdom Kids and Confirmation Class	NOVEMBER 4 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	NOV 5 NOON - 12:30pm Election Day Prayer Service 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	NOV 6 4:00pm Serving at Our Daily Bread	NOV 7	NOVEMBER 8 10:00am-1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	NOV 9

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