



The Burning Bush

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

Odessa, Delaware

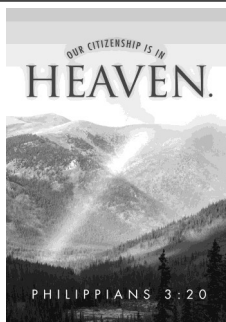
March 17, 2019

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

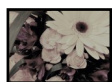
We share a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person -- questions, complexities and all. Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world.



In the day of trouble, God will give me shelter - Psalm 27:5

Though we sometimes doubt and often resist God's desire to protect and save us, our God persists. In holy baptism, God's people have been called and gathered into a God-initiated relationship that will endure. **Lent** provides the church with a time and a tradition in which to seek the face of the Lord again. **Lent** provides another occasion to behold the God of our salvation in the face of the Blessed One who "comes in the name of the Lord."

- sundaysandseasons.com



Today's flowers are donated by Bill Glass
in memory of wife Judy

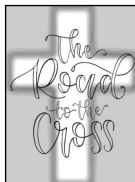


It is easy to donate altar flowers

Sign up for a Sunday of your choice at the desk near Fellowship Hall, put \$25 in one of the envelopes there (Make your check payable to Tree of Life LC.) with your name and date of the Sunday you are paying for, and place it in the offering plate. **After service, the flowers are yours to take and enjoy. Please leave the silver container and the vase - which belongs to the florist - on the kitchen counter.** You can take your flowers home in a vase located in the lower cabinet to the left of the stove.

Let us pray for ... Marie Foraker, Cornelius McDermott, Gabrielle Bullock, Craig Allen, Richard Jackson, Doug Giambra, Eric Harmon, Lorraine Mills, Arnold Toller, Keith Rayher, Patricia Parker, Dallas Dean, Danny Matz, Elizabeth Schreppler, Patrick Pileggi, Sarah Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Erika Zaiser, Ronald Rollerson, Danielle Fangman; for those who serve and have served in our military; disaster victims and victims of violence everywhere; and for discernment and the Spirit's guidance as we plan Tree of Life's future.

Please submit any names of those you wish to add to our Prayer List to Jean Mullen at jaramullen1@gmail.com or treeoflifelc@verizon.net; or you may fill out a prayer card (find them on the Ushers Table) and place it in the offering plate. Please also let her know when to take someone off the list.



Mark your calendars for Lenten events

Pastor Johnson has begun a Lenten Study on "Becoming a Christian," Sunday mornings at 9am. All are welcome! *Reminder:* During the four Sundays of Lent, we do not say or sing the word "Alleluiah," nor do we sing during Holy Communion. The lavender box on the floor in front of the altar contains "Alleluiahs" which will be released Easter morning!

Holy Week is Palm Sunday April 14; Maundy Thursday is April 18; Good Friday, April 19; and Easter, April 21.

Say **CHEESE** for a great idea!

To help our Lay Minister Jim Guldner as well as each other, John Baker and George Matz are taking our pictures after service so that they can then post them with names. They appreciate your cooperation!

Weekly financial update: *How are we doing with our weekly offerings?*

Our offering last Sunday totaled \$2,939.00. The average weekly offering for the month of February was \$2,586.00. To be able to call a full-time pastor, we need to average \$3,000/week, an amount we do not yet reach consistently.

Vacation Bible School July 22-26, 8am-5pm, with outer space theme, two trips!


Applications are now available in the Narthex for Vacation Bible School! We are one of the only Vacation Bible Schools that is all day, 8-5pm. And the cost is only \$70! Maximum number of youth is 35, so get your application in soon. Youth of all ages are welcome! *Questions?* See Pastor Greg.

To Mars and Beyond exploring where God's power can take us

Our Grocery Club helps local families with food insecurities

Even if you can't help with sorting and distribution of food, you can help with donations. This month, we are in need of cereal and canned protein. Thank you! *Questions?* See Jean Mullen.

Mark your calendar, volunteer, participate!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MARCH 17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY 9:30am Lenten Bible Study "Being a Christian" 10:30am Worship Service Postlude	MARCH 18	MARCH 19	MARCH 20 SPRING BEGINS 10:00am Prayer Shawl ministry 6-7:30pm 	MARCH 21 3-4:30pm Grocery distribution	MARCH 22	MARCH 23 11am-1pm LCS Volunteer Appreciation luncheon
MARCH 24 9:30am Lenten Bible Study "Being a Christian" 10:30am Worship Service Postlude Choir rehearsal	MARCH 25	MARCH 26	MARCH 27 6-7:30pm 	MARCH 28	MARCH 29	MARCH 30

Serving today....

Presiding and preaching: Greg Johnson

Musician: Duane Dillard

Usher: Lynda Giambra

Acolyte: Gene Zaiser

Worship Assistant: Volunteer

Cup Gatherer: Jean Mullen

Altar Guild: Gene Zaiser

Offering Counter: Johanna Saleminck

Fellowship: Carolyn Lewis



Dust Busters: Schulze and Schill families

Altar Flowers: Dot Schreppler

Office Manager: Jean Mullen

Worship Folder: Gail Russell

Burning Bush: Pam Nichols

The Leaflet: Donna Parks

Webmaster: Paul Schuler

Facebook: Jean Mullen

Nursery: *Need nursery?* Tell the Usher, and an adult volunteer will be summoned



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