



# The Burning Bush

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

Odessa, DE **SERVICE LIVE-STREAMED OUTDOORS** July 26, 2020

**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 for the life of the world.

## Hymns

759

793

No Communion  
Hymn

**New WS 38**

## Welcome to today's outdoor service

Following our first outdoor service last week with approximately 50 people in attendance, Council met and has decided to continue providing a live, outdoor service. For those who choose not to come or who are unable to come, the service will again be available live online at 10:30am on Sunday. The link will be posted at [www.treeoflifechurchde.com](http://www.treeoflifechurchde.com). The service can also be viewed any time after 10:30am through the web site link. **Reminder:** Bring your own chair and wear a mask. Individually pre-packaged wafers and wine will be provided for communion. A basket will be available for offerings or you may continue to mail in your weekly offerings. (Thanks to Pastor Greg for the home-made jam and to Pam Baker for the free masks with the Christian theme!)

Should it rain, the service will still be recorded live, but indoors, without the congregation present. The decision whether or not to move indoors because of the weather will be made by the presiding pastor by 6pm Saturday evening. Check your email and [www.treeoflifechurchde.com](http://www.treeoflifechurchde.com) for updates.

Please continue to pray for our church, our pastor and lay minister, Gerrit Salemink our production coordinator, and your Church Council. Although these times are challenging, they offer us the ability to come up with creative ways to continue having fellowship with one another and rest assured, this too shall pass.

The Delmarva Synod is offering a **free, at-home, three-day Vacation Bible School (VBS)** entitled **Where's Jesus?** It will be available August 3, 5, and 7 and is designed for kids pre-school through 5th grade. For full information and to register, go to <https://demdsynod.org/vbs/>.

**Our offerings** last week totaled \$3,666.00. (June offerings averaged \$3,032.00/week.) Many thanks to Johanna Salemink, Council member, who has become our "quarantine counter."

**Let us pray for ...** Amy & Chris Collett, Camille, Bill and Margaret Triplett, Danielle Fangman, Danny Matz, Dave Kramer, David Brightbill, Elizabeth Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Eric Harmon, Erika Zaiser, Fred Burke, Grace Haviland, Jim Pileggi, Linda Steiner, Mary Jane Scheidt, Maureen Williams, Melanie Ireton & family, Mercedes Fisher, Pasco and BJ Baker, Patrick Pileggi, Richard Jackson, Rick Mullen, Ryan, Sarah Schreppler, Susie Armstrong, Tammy, Tina Eisenhower; for those who serve and have served in our military; disaster victims and victims of violence and injustice everywhere; for the health of our members and the world, and for an end to the Corona Virus everywhere; and for discernment and the Spirit's guidance as we plan Tree of Life's future. Please submit names of those you wish to add to our Prayer List to Jean Mullen, office manager, at [treeoflifelc@verizon.net](mailto:treeoflifelc@verizon.net). Please also let her know when it is time to take someone off the list.

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