

Trinity Lutheran Tidings

August 2026



Welcome August
May this month
bring you joy, happiness
and blessings.



Looking Ahead at a Glance

Weekly Events:

Sundays Worship Service 10:15 am

Sundays S.S. His Kids is out for summerback in the fall.

Upcoming Services & Events

Events

August 9 th	Alex Collins 1 st communion	10:15AM
August 12 th	National Road Ministry/Council Meeting	6:30PM
August 16 th	Pastor Cliff Installation	10:15AM
August 23 rd	Card Club	After Worship Service
August 25 th	Quilts	Tuesday at 9:00AM
August 30 th	Combined Worship with St. Paul's & Zion	10:15AM

Caring,
Loving,
and
Serving

ALL

God's People

Office Hours

Monday- Friday

10:00a – 2:00p

Worship

Sunday 10:15am

Trinity Lutheran Church

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2026 Council

President

Sheila Scholl

Elder

Gloria Saintignon

Trustees

Bob Tillman

Deacons

Ron Richards

Jerry Gower

Secretary

Nancy Threewits

Treasurer/Financial

Daryl Riffle

Thank you
for serving!

August Birthdays

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|----|-------------------|
| 1 | Blake Scholl |
| 5 | Craig Faulkner |
| 6 | Jason Weiss |
| 7 | Thomas Gower |
| 8 | Josi Mae Weiss |
| 9 | Brantlee Kobus |
| | Maggie Mote |
| 11 | Tillman Abel |
| 12 | Paul Hartzell |
| 14 | Tyler Abel |
| | Nancy Threewits |
| 16 | Bradley |
| | Thornburg |
| 18 | Haley Hopkins |
| | Elsie May Oliver |
| 19 | Kristine Curtner |
| | Bentlie Zicht |
| 20 | Parker Abel |
| 21 | Don Landis |
| 22 | Clinton Linebaugh |
| 23 | Janice Turner |
| 25 | Denise Mart |
| 27 | David Thornburg |
| 30 | Dale Gelhaus |

August Anniversaries

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|----|---------------------------|
| 8 | Rob & Leslie
Loesch |
| 9 | Donald & Janie
Landis |
| 11 | Joe & Carmen
Hartzell |
| 11 | Emil & Maura
Kaeding |
| 12 | Tony & Denise
Mart |
| | Duane & Sheila
Scholl |
| 21 | Matt & Deborah
Collins |
| 31 | Tony & Tanda
Abel |



If a birthday or anniversary is either not included, should be removed, or is incorrect, please contact the Trinity office to update our records. (765) 964-5712 or email: trinity47390@yahoo.com
Thank you!



Please Remember Those in Our Thoughts and Prayers:

Kay Antrobus; Pat Beach; Chaz Bryant; Shane Clark; Emma Douds; Mark Farlow; Dick Grim; Jim Gower; Amy Hanes; Paul Hartzell; family of Luanna Hollowell; Matt Hunt; Joyce Hurley; Janet Johnson; Angela Kobus; Scott Lasseson; Linda Loudermill; Sterling Nunn; Todd Schultz; Sue Spurr; Trendon Spence, Isla Swift and family; Kelsey Timmerman; Ed and Margie Vincent; Annetta Watson and Betty Wasson.

Please Remember Those Who Serve:

Brandi Bolin; Paul Delery; Chris Hufford; Whitney King; Philip McGinnis; Corbin Richards; Vincent Rogers; Max & Lexi Warddrip; Brandon Wright and Tyler Wright.

Prayers of Intercession Bible Verse Opener:

Psalm 84:11 For the LORD God is our sun and our shield. He gives us grace and glory. The LORD will withhold no good thing from those who do what is right.



AUGUST 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
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10:15a Worship Service Alex Collins 1 st communion	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 National Road Ministry/ Council Meeting 6:30PM	13	14	15	
10:15a Worship Service Pastor Cliff Installation	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
10:15a Worship Service Card Class following worship	23	24	25 Quilts 9:00 AM	26	27	28	29
10:15a Worship Service Combined Worship	30	31					



President's August Letter

Dear Church Family,

I have enjoyed the summer prayer Pastor Cliff helped co-write and this part spoke to my heart this past month. It is a gift to be filled with sunshine on the outside but to look for ways God has made sunshine within your heart. Slowing down to be able to relax with family and friends has been so delightful. As many of you know, our family welcomed our 6th grandchild on July 9th and to really take time to slow down and to just “be” in the moment...OH what a joy :-) God's rays of sunshine are definitely beaming within our family with our new addition of Camden Drew Ross.

Thank you ALL who were able to donate items, help with the setup, cooking, serving, and clean up at the Summer Social! Wow!! What a wonderful way to share our fellowship with the community. Your help with this wonderful outreach was greatly appreciated!

This is going to be a busy month for Trinity! We are looking forward to the installation of Pastor Cliff on August 16th with Reverend Priscilla Geerdes. Then on August 30 it will be our combined service with St. Paul's and Zion which will be held at Trinity. There will light refreshments beginning at approximately 9:30 in the fellowship hall to welcome our friends from St. Paul and Zion. Worship service will follow beginning at 10:15. Please make plans to attend this special service!

As we continue this year your church council is diligently working to find ways to “get our name out” to the public. We are actively moving forward with the marquee sign. It is our hope this will promote the services and activities our church hosts to possibly build curiosity for those who see the announcements and will venture into our church to “see what's goin' on”! If you have any other ideas please share them with a council member or better yet come to a council meeting to present your idea.

President's August Letter (continued)

From the daily devotional Christ in our Home Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

A big shout to Bev, Marsha, Denise and Becky on their acting skills while presenting this lesson in church! (It was interesting reading this in the devotional as well!) This was a fun way to learn an important lesson in which Jesus reminds us that He is the sower who generously plants seeds of faith in every heart. He invites each of us to nurture those seeds through prayer, worship, Scripture, and acts of love so they can take deep root and bear abundant fruit. As we grow in faith, we are also called to share God's love with those around us, planting seeds of hope, kindness, and compassion in the lives of others. May we open our hearts to God's Word and joyfully live as disciples who help His kingdom flourish.

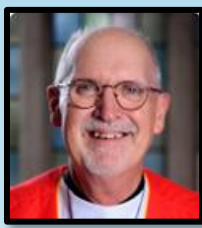
We have several months of summer left so be sure to “slow down, breathe deeply, and enjoy the beauty God has placed around us”.

Our next Council meeting is August 12th at 5:00pm. (This is a new time for this month as we have the NRM meeting starting at 6:30 this evening. We encourage you to come and see what we do. We are a fun group 😊

Serving Together in Christ, Sheila – (937) 459-9279

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Thoughts as we go Back-to-School

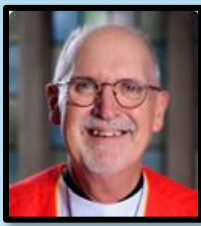
Dear Church Family,

School seems to be starting earlier and earlier. As another school year begins, we have a special opportunity to surround our students, families, teachers, administrators, bus drivers, and every school employee with encouragement, prayer, and love. The start of school often brings a mixture of excitement and anxiety, fresh hopes and new responsibilities. Yet in every circumstance we can trust that God is already present and at work.

Scripture reminds us to, “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6). What a fitting promise for the beginning of a new academic year. Students may face difficult assignments, new friendships, changing schedules, and important decisions. School workers will carry heavy responsibilities, long days, and the sacred task of shaping young lives. Families will juggle busy calendars, homework, transportation, and countless unseen details. Through it all, the Lord invites us to trust Him with every detail.

To our students: remember that you are not alone. Your worth is not measured by a grade, a test score, or a report card. You are beloved by God, created with purpose, and called to shine His light wherever you go. When you feel nervous, hear the Lord’s words: “Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go” (Joshua 1:9). Walk into this year with courage, kindness, curiosity, and faith.

To our teachers and school staff: your work matters deeply. Some of your most meaningful ministry may happen in quiet moments that no one else sees—a patient explanation, a word of encouragement, a safe place offered, a burden noticed, a child reminded that they are capable and cared for. The Apostle Paul writes, “Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord” (Colossians 3:23). May God strengthen you for every lesson prepared, every question answered, every child welcomed, and every challenge met with grace.



To parents, grandparents, guardians, and all who support our children: your prayers, sacrifices, and encouragement are indeed holy work. You may not always see the fruit immediately, but God is faithful. Keep speaking words of life. Keep praying over backpacks, classrooms, teachers, friendships, and decisions. Keep reminding the young people in your care that they are loved by God and supported by their church family.

As a church, let us commit to being a congregation that blesses our schools. Let us pray for wisdom, safety, and perseverance. May we celebrate learning as a gift from God and encourage every student and school worker to use their gifts for His glory. When the days are joyful, may we give thanks. When the days are hard, may we remember the promise of Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me."

May this school year be filled with growth, grace, courage, and peace. May our students learn not only facts and skills, but wisdom, kindness, integrity, and hope. May every school worker be renewed with strength and reminded that their labor is not in vain.

Let us pray: Gracious God, bless our students and all who serve in our schools. Give them wisdom for learning, courage for new beginnings, patience for difficult days, joy in discovery, and peace in Your presence. Protect them, guide them, strengthen them, and help them reflect Your love in every place they go. In Jesus' name, Amen.

With hope and prayers for the year ahead,

Pr. Cliff



"Caring, Loving, and

Serving All God's People"



June 30, 2026

The first six months of the 2026 financial report for the TLC operating budget that was approved by the Congregation on Sunday, November 16, 2025 reflects the following:

Under giving budget on Benevolence by \$3,316.94 (43.9%)

Under giving budget on Current by \$1,386.36 (2.8%)

Under budget on Expenses by \$2,010.66 (3.5%)

Over year-to-date budget on Business expense (timing of annual QuickBooks payment), Copier Supplies & Contract (timing of payment for copies used), postage (more things getting US mailed due to NRM relationship), and utilities (due to changing from actual use versus budget billing).

GIVING INFORMATION

A reminder that if you do not make any fund designation at all on your giving envelope, your entire tithe goes directly to the Current Fund.

The TLC Council wants to thank each of you for your financial support for the first five months of 2026. Council asks that each of you prayerfully continue to support our church as we will, for 2026, see an increase in our operating budget of \$30,601.21 over the 2025 budget mostly due to the St. Pauls Lutheran-Richmond, Zion Lutheran-Cambridge City and Trinity Lutheran Pastoral sharing program. This 3-way partnership is under the name National Road Ministries (NRM).

Please contact me with any questions or clarifications you may have.

Daryl Riffle, Treasurer
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Cash Basis

Trinity Lutheran Church
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through June 2026

	Jan - Jun 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Benevolence Fund	4,244.64	7,561.58	-3,316.94	56.1%
Current Fund New	49,024.00	50,410.36	-1,386.36	97.2%
Flowers Fund New	288.00			
Total Income	53,556.64	57,971.94	-4,415.30	92.4%
Gross Profit	53,556.64	57,971.94	-4,415.30	92.4%
Expense				
Business Expense	3,045.90	2,499.98	545.92	121.8%
Copier Supplies & Contract	1,980.62	1,250.02	730.60	158.4%
Custodial Contract	2,600.00	2,600.00	0.00	100.0%
Custodial Supplies	32.84	500.02	-467.18	6.6%
Flowers Expense	75.00	425.02	-350.02	17.6%
Insurance Expense	4,562.62	4,700.00	-137.38	97.1%
Lawn & Shrub Care	1,035.00	676.48	358.52	153.0%
Office Supplies	180.78	677.48	-496.70	26.7%
Organ & Piano Care	350.00	350.00	0.00	100.0%
Parish Education	442.30	425.02	17.28	104.1%
Postage	234.00	120.00	114.00	195.0%
Property Repair Expense	687.58			
Pulpit Supply	4,555.20	5,000.02	-444.82	91.1%
Staff Social Security	826.52	826.45	0.07	100.0%
Synod Assembly	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.0%
Synod Benevolence Expense				
Lutheran Social Services	382.02	529.36	-147.34	72.2%
Lutheran World Relief	382.02	529.36	-147.34	72.2%
Mission Fund				
Freed To Lead Program	551.80	756.08	-204.28	73.0%
Lutheran Outdoor Ministries	339.57	378.04	-38.47	89.8%
The Lutheran Centr @ Ball State	339.57	378.04	-38.47	89.8%
Total Mission Fund	1,230.94	1,512.16	-281.22	81.4%
Synod Benevolence Expense - Other	2,249.66	3,780.66	-1,531.00	59.5%
Total Synod Benevolence Expense	4,244.64	6,351.54	-2,106.90	66.8%
TLC Local Missions	868.21	1,209.78	-341.57	71.8%
Trash Hauling	191.22	190.00	1.22	100.6%
Utilities	9,185.29	6,375.00	2,810.29	144.1%
Wages				
Organist Salary	3,700.97	3,700.97	0.00	100.0%
Pastor Salary	10,090.40	11,073.50	-983.10	91.1%
Secretary Salary	7,103.20	7,102.09	1.11	100.0%
Total Wages	20,894.57	21,876.56	-981.99	95.5%
Worship Supplies	67.94	517.50	-449.56	13.1%
Total Expense	56,060.21	58,070.87	-2,010.66	96.5%
Net Ordinary Income	-2,503.57	-98.93	-2,404.64	2,530.6%
Net Income	-2,503.57	-98.93	-2,404.64	2,530.6%

**Your
Daily Devotional
is here for the months
Of July, August
and September!
Find yours
on the Narthex table!**



**card
making**

**Card Club
Meets August 23rd
after worship service**

**Lutheran World Relief
Quilt group meets
Tues, August 25th at 9 AM**



Mission Quits

July 21, 2026





Worship on the Porch ~ July 5th





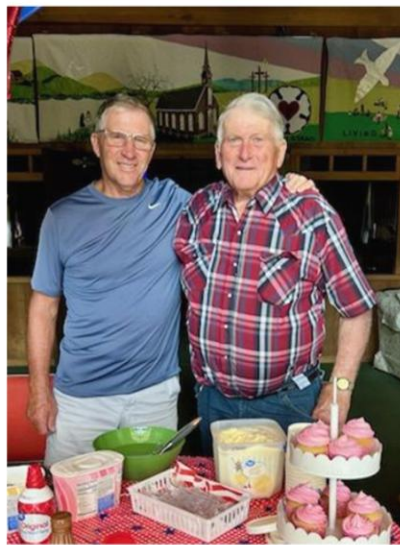
Worship on the Porch ~ July 5th



ANNUAL SUMMER SOCIAL

July 28, 2026

Dear Trinity friends, Thank you to everyone who lent a hand, a prayer, a dish, or a smile to make our church social such a joyful gathering. Your generosity of spirit—whether seen in the kitchen, at the tables, behind the scenes, or in simple acts of welcome helped create an evening filled with fellowship and grace. We are deeply grateful for each of you and the way you embody Christ's love in community. With much love and gratitude, Bev and Marsha







**SEE YOU
NEXT YEAR!**

A Very Special
Thank You!

We want to extend a warm
thank you to Bevey
Bakes for the gorgeous sugar
cookies! They were a hit, and
your donation of them to our
Summer Social added such a
bright, joyful touch to our
dessert table!



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Share your Story!



Straight from your TLC Newsletter editor's desk! Many of TLC members and friends are so gifted and have wonderful experiences they share to Facebook or Media. It would be fun and wonderful to share with the church family too! If you see a wonderful post of a church member, or shared one yourself, and just enjoyed it so much, please share it to me, TLC church office administrator Jen, and I will post in the next Newsletter! Not all your church family have Facebook's or up with the media and would love to enjoy your stories too! (Just make sure you have the permission from the person that made the original post) you could screen shot and send to email: trinity47390@yahoo.com



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in Trinity's next Newsletter,
Please send to church office **ONE WEEK** in advance.
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Thank you