

The Burning Bush

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

Today's
Hymns
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Odessa, Delaware

October 21, 2018

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.



Out of love, Jesus offers us an open door to life

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

- sundaysandseasons.com



Today's flowers are donated by Dot Schreppler
in memory of the death of her beloved husband, Charles

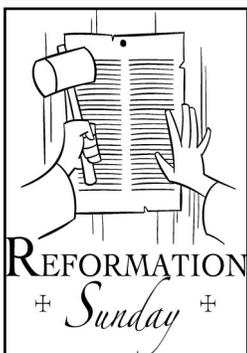


It is easy to donate altar flowers

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 ... Craig Allen, Debra Baker, Richard Jackson, Doug Giambra, Amanda Campbell, Eric Harmon, Lorraine Mills, Arnold Toller, Keith Rayher, Patricia Parker, Dallas Dean, Danny Matz, Elizabeth Schreppler, Dale Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Erika Zaiser, Ronald Rollerson, Danielle Fangman, Patrick Pileggi; 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 search for a permanent pastor.

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.



Reformation Sunday next week: WEAR RED

Next Sunday, October 28, Reformation Sunday, the families whose children have been meeting with Pastor Johnson - to learn about Holy Communion - will come together to the altar, and the young Communicants will be recognized.

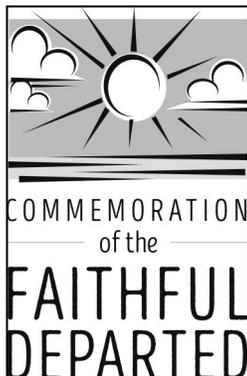
Don't forget to wear red. Why red? It represents the Holy Spirit and the martyrs of the early Christian church.

Thanksgiving meal donations being accepted now

Instant mashed potatoes, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce.... Any donations will help make our monthly food boxes in November more special. Just leave them on the kitchen counter. Thank you!

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

Our offering last Sunday totaled \$2,586.00. The average weekly offering for the month of September was \$2,126.00. To be able to call a full-time pastor, we need to average \$3,000/week, an amount we do not yet reach consistently. If you would like to reconsider your pledge amount for 2018, pledge forms are on the Ushers Table, or you can talk to Gene Zaiser, our treasurer.



Remembrance cards available for All Saints Day, November 4

Pick up a remembrance card from the Ushers Table. Write the name of a loved one who died this past year. You may honor more than one person, of course. During this month, place your card in the offering plate or give it to Sylvia Schill. On Sunday, November 4, Pastor Johnson will read all of the names.

We can use your empty ink cartridges

Bring them in and leave them in the office or give them to Jean Mullen. The size or brand does not matter. Tree of Life can turn them in at Staples for a discount on our purchase of supplies.

Mark your calendar, volunteer, participate!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OCT. 21 9:00am Bible Study 10:30 Worship Service 11:45 Holy Communion Class and Choir rehearsal	OCT. 22	OCT. 23	OCT. 24 6-7:30pm 	OCT. 25	OCT. 26	OCT. 27
OCT. 28 REFORMATION SUNDAY 9:00am Bible Study 10:30 Worship Service Choir rehearsal	OCT. 29	OCT. 30	OCT. 31 HALLOWEEN - NO KINGDOM KIDS	NOV. 1	NOV. 2	NOV. 3

Serving today....

Presiding and preaching: Greg Johnson
Musician: Duane Dillard
Usher: Maxine Campbell
Acolyte: Gene Zaiser
Worship Assistant: Pam Baker
Communion Assistant: Lynda Giambra
Altar Guild: Gene Zaiser
Offering Counter: Bob Traver
Fellowship: Nicky Zaiser



Dust Busters: Schill & Young families
Altar Flowers: Dot Schreppler
Office Manager: Jean Mullen
Worship Folder: Gail Russell
Burning Bush: Pam Nichols
The Leaflet: Donna Parks
Webmaster: Jeff Russell
Facebook: Jean Mullen
Nursery: *Need nursery?* Tell the Usher and an adult volunteer will be summoned



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