TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH 725 SW Buchanan Street Topeka, Kansas 66606-1426

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



Trinity Tidings

May 2025

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WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, 10:30am Holy Communion



Living with Christ's Love

Caring for Neighbors



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY		FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS IN FELLOWSHIP HALL DOWNSTAIRS IMMEDIATELY AFTER WORSHIP.				5:00 pm 1st Friday Art Walk @ Our Savior's		
10:15 am Hymn Sing-Along Bring food for Doorstep 10:30 am Worship 12:00 Noon Congregational Life meeting		9:00 am Quilters 6	7	8	9	10
Mother's 11 Day 9:30-10:15 Adult Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 2 pm PFLAG meeting	12	9:00 am Quilters 13 5:30 pm Council	14	15	16	17
10:30 am Worship	6 pm Stroke Support Group	9:00 am Quilters 20 June 2025 Trinity Tidings deadline		22	23	24
9:45-10:15 Children's 25 Sunday School 10:30 am Worship		9:00 am Quilters 27	28	29	30	31



President's Letter

As I write this it is Holy Week. During Lent we have partnered with Our Saviors Lutheran Church for midweek services and soup suppers and will worship with them on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter vigil on Saturday. I'm hoping there will be future opportunities to share with Our Saviors.

Sunday services beginning in March have been led by ELCA supply pastors, Deacon Dave Mareske, and lay leaders. Our goal is to have communion as part of worship at least once per month.

Updated Time and Talent forms were distributed in March. The response has been great with at least 30 returned to date! Responses have been shared with council and with committee chairs so they can be aware of whom to call on to assist with various activities.

May & June Worship Leaders

May 4 Pr. Bob Dealey

May 11 Jordan Valentine

May 18 Rev. Dr. Mandy Todd

May 25 Rick Friedstrom

June 1 Rich Akins

June 8 TBD

June 15 Rev. Barry Feaker

June 22 TBD

June 29 Deacon Dave Mareske

Please make each one of our pulpit supply persons and lay leaders feel welcome.

Our elevator is functional once again after several repairs by MEI Elevator Solutions. Member donations have enabled payment of three invoices without the need to tap into the general fund. Thanks to all who contributed!

A second meeting was held by our Task Force (Bob Kobbeman, Bob Horton and Carol Marker) with representatives of Remnant Church. At this time they have chosen to continue meeting at Stout Elementary. If you know of a church or non-profit entity that might be interested in sharing space with us, let a member of the Task Force know. Bob Kobbeman has been in contact with Narthex Properties, and a meeting is being set-up with their representative to meet with our council.

We desire to have two or three rostered ministers in place to provide pastoral care, such as hospital calls, funerals, counseling for our members as needed. Talks are underway with several persons who might be able to fill this need. A covenant will be written with those who agree to help us.

Finally we welcome Frederick Sierks who was baptized on Easter Sunday. We also look forward to receiving several new members in the coming weeks.

Enjoy a bright and beautiful spring overflowing with God's love!



MAY READINGS

May 4 — Third Sunday of Easter
Acts9:1-20
Psalm 30
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19

May 11 — Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 9:36-43
Psalm 23
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30

May 18 — Fifth Sunday of Easter
Acts 11:1-18
Psalm 148
Revelation 21:1-6
John 13:31-35

May 25 — Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 16:9-15 Psalm 67 Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5 John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9

MAY CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

- 5 Chance Hutchison
- 11 Donna Allen
- 16 Ted Murphy
- 21 Steve Luoma
- 22 David McGinnis
- 30 Jeffrey Schafersman

BAPTISMS

- 11 Karen Arney
- 11 Marcy Carlson
- 12 Pam Kobbeman
- 12 Rosie Nichols
- 13 Erin Lewis
- 20 Tom Arney
- 21 Breanne Lewis
- 27 Larry McGinnis
- 30 Brayden Winsor

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

3 Tom & Karen Arney



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

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 Diane has been in contact with Pr. Gage Church about possibility of sharing worship space.

- Pride Interfaith Service will be in June;
 Troy & Jeffrey volunteered to help plan.
- Treasurer Bob Kobbeman discussed financial reports, touching on March expenses, restricted funds; elevator fund is still short of amount needed to pay last repair bill; March pastoral costs were down; review of 110.17 is on-going; MIF CD due for renewal in August; is on-line giving an option; Council is asked to review who may sign checks & update if needed.
- Offering procedure currently involves all loose cash is counted, but not checks, before being secured.

APRIL 7, 2025

- Curt asked when acolytes process in or out. Dean will review & update with input from current acolytes.
- Transition Team met with Remnant Church again; they are looking for a longterm facility in the future.
- Bob spoke with Darin at Narthex (real estate niche company in KC area) who does not recommend sale with lease back agreement as we would be subject to property tax. Diane will follow up for more options.
- CSS Synod Assembly registration deadline is May 15.
- Dean shared Time & Talent sheet results.
- PCI boiler maintenance contract update was approved.

A full copy of the Council minutes is available in the church office and if desired, you may request a copy be mailed or emailed to you.





Doorstep May 2025

Spring has sprung! The flowers are blooming! We will be celebrating Mother's Day, graduations, Memorial Day and more this month!

Doorstep's 8th Annual Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Fun Run will be Saturday, June 7th this year (instead of October). This will be the Kick-off to our 60th anniversary in June 2026! Register by May 16th to guarantee an event t-shirt. Late and event day registrations will also be taken.

We will have bagels, granola bars, fruit, water, and juice available before and after the walk/run. Register at Doorstep, visit our website (DoorstepTopeka.org) and click on "Events", or scan the QR code on our flyers.

Registration is \$30 per person (age 11+), one child 10 and under can walk/run for free with a paid adult, t-shirt is extra. Plan now to join us at Lake Shawnee on the morning of June 7th and help us raise funds for Doorstep!

Please like and follow Trinity at **Trinity Lutheran Topeka.org**. Whenever you watch, click on "like" and leave a comment, even if you just say "hi".

Our services are on Facebook live every Sunday and can be watched 24/7 on our page anytime. When you like and follow our page, it helps our placement when people search Facebook for a church.



Please share this information with your contacts.



Food Donation for Doorstep = Food for Our Neighbors

Our April collection garnered 279 items weighing 294.1 pounds. Thanks to Bob & Janeen Horton for their efforts to pick up and deliver to Doorstep.

Sunday School

Adult Sunday School meets May 11 at 9:30 am in Trinity Hall lounge. It will be the 4th Sunday of Easter. We will study the second lesson for that day. Revelation 7:9-17.

Children's Sunday school will meet on May 25th.

A few questions...

- •If you have any church keys that you no longer need, please turn them in to the church office. Thanks.
- •Did you know we have an Instagram account? https://www.instagram.com/trinitylutheranelca/
- •Please visit our website... https://trinitylutherantopeka.org/... and tell us what you think. We need your ideas to update.



2025 Doorstep Events

June 7th 8th Annual Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Fun Run

(Saturday) Lake Shawnee Shelter Houses 1 & 2 ~ Start time 9 A.M.

A Kick-off to our 60th Anniversary in June 2026!!

July Christmas in July collection of items for adopted families.

(Tentative) Summer Cash Bash donations with matching funds.

Re-Imagined Jewelry purchased from Café Quetzal with

the funds going to Doorstep.

Sept 13th **Sertoma Duck Race** ~ Our Goal = 60 donors buying ducks!

Friday Oct 3rd 2nd Annual Putt Out Hunger Golf Tournament

Tentative date until a course is reserved.

Nov & Dec Collection of items for Christmas Adoption Project.

Doorstep adopts 260 households from the Christmas Bureau each year. We need help providing gifts, food, health kits, blankets, toys, school supplies, and gift cards for 800+ individuals. Gifts needed by Wed, December 10^{th.}

Dec 16th - 18th Christmas Adoption Project distribution days.

Volunteers will be needed!



