



Building His Body By  
Reflecting the Son

# TRINITY TIDBITS

A monthly newsletter for the people of Trinity Lutheran Church of Sealy, Texas

**JULY**  
**2024**

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**9:00 am**

Sunday School  
For All Ages

### Worship Service

10:00 am Sunday

### Church Phone

979-885-2211

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979-627-7846

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### ELDERS

Lowell Coody

Joel Grigar

Doyle Kornegay

Mark Romano

Tracy Schiller

Ronnie Schmidt

Stephen Stuessel

Barry Wolf



CONGRATULATIONS  
ON YOUR



**30<sup>th</sup>**  
*anniversary*

*Ordination Anniversary!*

## PASTOR BERSCHE'S 30TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

We are celebrating Sunday, July 21st with a catered luncheon meal to celebrate Pastor Bersche's 30<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary. (Pastor's actual ordination date - July 3, 1994). Ben's Chuck Wagon will provide chicken fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans. See Joanne Dixon after church to buy a ticket - \$5 per person! Come and celebrate this milestone with him.

**TICKETS ARE \$5 EACH**

# It's Your Birthday!

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." (Ephesians 2:10)

7/02 Valerie Bryant  
 7/02 EVA KRUZEL  
 7/05 Ashley Vojtek  
 7/06 Chris Beckendorff  
 7/07 CHADWICKHINTZ JR.  
 7/07 Ronnie Schmidt  
 7/10 Brett Carter  
 7/10 Angelia Ramon

7/11 Bradley Kent  
 7/16 Melinda Schiller  
 7/17 Julie Ebers  
 7/17 ADELINE VRABLEC  
 7/18 Dennis Tipton  
 7/20 Gloria Havemann  
 7/23 Mark Romano

7/24 David Novosad  
 7/24 Joyce Park  
 7/26 EMMA FOLTZ  
 7/26 Yvonne Tingle  
 7/27 Bradley S. Bozeman  
 7/27 R. D. Schmidt  
 7/31 David Cash

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

"May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you."  
 (1 Thessalonians 3:12)

7/6/1991 Pastor Kenneth and Melissa Bersche  
 7/7/1990 Barry and Rachel Wolf  
 7/14/2012 Doyle and Kimberly Kornegay  
 7/16/2011 Travis and Brittany Pavelka

7/17/2010 Bradley and Heather Bozeman  
 7/18/1976 Dennis and Becky Tipton  
 7/29/1967 Carl and Diane Clover



**TITHES & OFFERINGS** Thank you for your Tithes and Offerings! Offerings may be dropped off or mailed to 402 Atchison, Sealy, TX 77474. Please use your church offering envelopes requested by Stewardship to ensure that you will be given credit for your contributions.

### Prayers for Nursing Home and Shut Ins

*For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding. Proverbs 2:6*

Carrie Steinbach, Hospice at Colonial Belle, Sealy  
 Joyce Meyer, Colonial Belle, 1401 Eagle Lake Rd. Sealy, TX 7747

### COFFEE FELLOWSHIP DONUTS & KOLACHES

**FELLOWSHIP AMONG US  
 CONTINUES!**  
**Right before Sunday School  
 at 8:30 am.**



### THE BLESSING BOX PROJECT

Next Blessing Box Project is Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church gym. For more information, please call Ruth Szymanski at 979-885-9504. This project is growing, and we can use you!

We meet every **TLWM** second Tuesday of the month at 2:00 pm. Next meeting is Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm

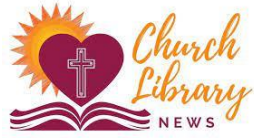


Collecting personal hygiene products is an ongoing project for Orphan Grain Train. TLWM invites you to continue donating items for the personal hygiene kits which Orphan Grain Train sends worldwide. Suggested items include bath towels, washcloths, bars of soap (original wrapper), plastic soap boxes, toothbrushes, Band-Aids, combs, tissues (travel package size), nail clippers. Place your items in the train box located in the narthex.



## Pray Vigil

TLWM/LWML invites you to a prayer vigil for our Nation. It will be held on Tuesday, July 9th in the sanctuary from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. It will be a time of prayer between you and your God.



## CHURCH LIBRARY

A few ladies of the church are going through a clean-up process and there are many books that are in need of a new home. Please browse through the library on the shelves that are open on the west wall. Help yourself to any books you would like to take home and keep. In addition, there are books, movies, and CDs on a shelf in the hallway between the narthex and the gym. These are for you, as well. You will not need to return these. You will be able to browse through these books for the next four weeks.....through July 14th. You can come to the library any time that the church office is open. After July 14th, these books, movies and CDs will be donated to the Redeemed and Restored Ministries Resale shop here in Sealy.



**JULY BLOOD DRIVE** Our next Blood Drive is Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Fellowship Hall. Contact Maggie Kent (979) 885-2211 and she will be happy to sign you up for the drive. ([secmaggie@tlcsealy.org](mailto:secmaggie@tlcsealy.org)) Sign up Online! Go to [giveblood.org](http://giveblood.org) and search mobile drives, the date 07/07/24 and sponsor code: 1881.



## Open Enrollment

Please spread the news about Open Enrollment to the public. On Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am – NOON.

Preschool will have an Open Enrollment for the community to come by and enroll their child into our preschool program. Tell them they can come by and get popcorn and a Capri Sun! *In Christ, Ms. Maggie*



## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED FOR THE NEW YEAR

We need Sunday School Teachers for the new school year. Please contact Nikki Vrablec at or the church office. *Thank you, Board of Education*



**VOLUNTEERS** are needed to water and take care of the atrium located between the church office and sanctuary.



**VOLUNTEERS** are needed to keep up with the attendance cards, pencils and envelopes in the sanctuary.



## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2024

The Trinity Lutheran Church Council meeting was called to order by John Vrablec. Janice Wied presented the devotion.

### Council members present:

- John Vrablec – President
- Terry Hankins – Vice President
- Barry Wolf – Elder Chairman
- George Wied – Trustee Chairman
- Ruth Szymanski – Treasurer
- Janice Wied – Stewardship Chairman
- Nikki Vrablec/Valerie Bryant – Board of Education Chairman
- Joann Dixon – Fellowship Outreach Chairman
- Pastor Ken Bersche
- David Novosad – Usher Chairman
- Kimberly Kornegay – Secretary
- Preschool - Maggie Kent

### Absent:

The Minutes from the meeting held on May 13, 2024, were presented for review and approval. Terry Hankins made a motion to accept the minutes. Nikki Vrablec seconded the motion. All Council members approved, and the motion passed.

### Old Business:

- Barry Wolf presented a bid of approximately \$7,600.00 for a new PGF laser projector, including installation, supplies, scaffolding and electricity connection, to be installed in the gym for use by the preschool and church. Terry Hankins made a motion to accept the bid for the new projector. Ruth Szymanski seconded the motion. All Council members approved, and the motion passed.

### Chairmen Reports:

Ruth Szymanski – Treasurer

- May Report - As of May 31, 2024, the cash balance in the General Fund was \$31,836.40. The Building Fund balance was \$40,784.10 and the Designated Fund balance was \$98,915.85. The Total of All Funds was \$171,536.35. The total contributions for May were \$27,156.07 and total expenses for May were

\$20,493.25. The total contributions for the year 2024 were \$121,729.87 while the total expenses for the year were \$111,072.93.

Janice Wied – Stewardship Chairman

- Special donations for the month included:
  - \$550.00 donation for VBS.

Barry Wolf – Elder Chairman

- Nothing to report.

Terry Hankins – Vice President

- Nothing to report.

Pastor Bersche –

- Still visiting shut ins.
- Bible Classes:
  - Sunday Mornings - Matthew 20.
  - Wednesday Mornings starting in September - 1 John

Nikki Vrablec - Board of Education Chairman

- The council discussed using classrooms downstairs for children's Sunday School starting in September. Ruth Szymanski made a motion to allow the children's Sunday School to use the 2 classrooms across from the downstairs bathroom. The 2 classrooms will be for PK-2nd grade (early elementary) and 3rd - 5th grades (elementary). All Council members approved, and the motion passed.

Joann Dixon – Fellowship Outreach Chairman

- June 23 - New Member Potluck Luncheon
- July 21 - Pastor Bersche's 30th Ordination Anniversary Luncheon will be catered, and the council discussed selling tickets for \$5.00 per person. Mary Ruth Buechmann will also make a cake. George Wied made a motion to approve the sale of meal tickets for \$5.00 per person. Ruth Szymanski seconded the motion. All Council members approved, and the motion passed.

George Wied – Trustee Chairman

- Minor repairs continue.
- Working on AC problems in the Fellowship building. Anyone wanting to donate to the AC/Heating Fund should feel free to do so.

David Novosad – Usher Chairman

- Nothing to report.

Preschool - Maggie Kent

- There will be no Preschool Board meetings in June or July.
- Preschool is in the process of hiring 2 new teachers. Arielle Pitcock is being hired

and they are still looking for 1 more teacher.

- Preschool Checking has a balance of \$75,000 and Savings has a balance of \$50,000.
- There are currently 26 students registered for the new school year beginning in August.

There being no further reports, Nikki Vrablec made the motion to accept all reports presented. Terry Hankins seconded the motion. All Council members agreed, and the motion passed.

#### **New Business**

- The Council discussed cleaning and reorganizing the church library. Ruth Szymanski and Janice Wied volunteered to begin the clean-up process. George Wied made a motion to refurbish and rearrange the library. Barry Wolf seconded the motion. All Council members agreed, and the motion passed.

There being no further business, Nikki Vrablec made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Terry Hankins seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned and Pastor Bersche led the Lord's Prayer.

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, July 8, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. and John Vrablec will have the devotion.

*John Vrablec - President  
Kimberly Kornegay - Secretary*



## **Annual BBQ & Auction Fundraiser July 28, 2024**

We would love your help to inform the Texas District congregations about Camp Lone Star's Annual BBQ & Auction Fundraiser, coming up on Sunday, July 28! This special event includes pre-service music starting at 10:30 a.m., an outdoor worship service at 11 a.m., a barbecue meal at Noon, and the benefit auctions from 1-3 p.m. The swimming pool will also be open from 1-2:30 p.m. for those wanting to cool off!

Each year, Camp Lone Star serves over 12,000 individuals through retreats, outdoor education, and summer camp. This event is a great opportunity to support Camp and all that this ministry does to transform lives and grow God's kingdom!