

 Thank you for being a part of today's worship service. Please help us know each other by entering your name addresses and the names of all family members who are present in the Friendship Pad. Please pass the pad from the inside (center) aisle to the outside aisle and back again to the center.

**Please inform the church office with updates on the prayer list**

<b>CANCER TREATMENT</b>	<b>CANCER TREATMENT</b>	<b>PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND COMFORT</b>
Jean Adams Allison Schaff (brain tumor) Joe Burttschell Nita Bruemmer Milburn Robison Jimmie Szymanski (radiation treatments) Nathaniel Wendt (3 yr. old leukemia) Don Chilton (prostate cancer) Laura Clark (pancreatic cancer) Lucy Barrios (wide spread cancer) Frank Vecera (Grace Care of Katy) Robert Plocek (brain tumor) Sharon Brandes Debbie Jaloway (breast cancer) Ruth Peters (breast cancer) Steve Smith (Colon/prostate cancer) Charles Hinze Kathy Ellis (Breast Cancer) Mary Francis Deibert (breast cancer) Kimberly Jones (Brest Cancer) J. C. Kloss Kenneth Burnette (Brain Tumor) Lucy Clifton (mass) Gladys Willard Karen Briscoe (Breast Cancer) Samai Srihanard Pat Bryant (breast cancer) Connie Kilpen Heather Schavrdra Gabbi (Ovarian) Elaine Sharp Colleen Ritter	Lisa Vega (cyst on liver & kidney) Darryl Stell (leukemia) Nell Beckman Turk (breast cancer) Norma Massey (lung cancer) Rodney Jalufka (liver cancer) Charley Holloway <u><b>Nursing Home Residents</b></u> Kirby Amthor Estella Heintschel Ellie Michaels Maydell Reichardt Eddie Svinky Lillie Wittenburg Walter Schneider <u><b>Shut Ins</b></u> Gladys Bolten Oridell Ekarius J. P. Gerhart Edd and Clara Gerstenberger Joe and Bernice Hintz Joyce Meyer Sharon Salyer LaVonn Schier <u><b>Military</b></u> Schyler Prentice (Marines)	<u><b>Bart Catlett (recovering)</b></u> <u><b>Melvin Pless (recovering)</b></u> Ruth Paben Susie Toellner (recovering) Dolores Cain Jerry Leiber (recovering) Geraldine Abel Wick Beane Betty Luedecke Amber Prentice (pregnancy issues) Nita Wolchik (recovering) Wilbert Janecek Jr. Shannon Johnson Fay Johnson Donald Niemeyer Laurie Pavelka June Grigar (Heart Attack) Doyle McElroy (Stroke) George Kovar Sharon Graham George Grigar Julie Scheibe Roger Buchtien (home dialysis) Charity Sistrunk (Spinal Bifida) Della Maler Rex Thumann Remington Reichardt

 **Preparation for Worship** 

As Lutheran Christians, we celebrate communion believing that we receive the true body and true blood of Christ along with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. As such, we invite all to our altar who share our belief and teaching concerning the Lord's Supper. All are welcome to commune who:

- \* Are Baptized Christians Matthew 28:19-20
- \* Are able to properly examine themselves recognizing their sinfulness 1 Corinthians 11:27-29
- \* Believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the bread and wine 1 Corinthians 11:23-25
- \* Believe they need what is offered in this sacrament, namely the forgiveness of sins, the strengthening of faith, and the power to lead a godly life Ephesians 4:22-24

Those who wish to participate in the Lord's Supper at TLC are requested to sign the "Fellowship Form" and register for communion. Individual cups of wine are located on the outside of the trays with cups containing grape juice placed near the center of the tray. Children are invited to come to the altar with their parents to receive a blessing.



**Dear Members of Trinity,** Thank you for your prayers and gifts in the aftermath of the devastating fires in Bastrop County. Your generosity has provided such wonderful relief to the folks here who have lost so much. It was a true joy to receive greetings in Christ from you through Pastor Vandercook and the gentlemen who came to deliver the water and shoes to Smithville. Thank you for functioning together with us as the Body of Christ: "If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together" (1 Corinthians 12:26). God's richest blessings to you as you are a blessing to so many around you! In Christ, Pastor Timothy Appel and the members of Grace/Smithville



*Thank you to Pastor Vandercook, Robert Richter and Jason Kainer for arriving at 6:00 am to prepare the pancakes for the Preschool Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser. Thank you to Vernon and Bev Ekarius, Jerry and Mary Grunke, Pat and Mary Buechmann and Betty Richter for pitching in and helping where help was needed! The preschool made \$201.36 after expenses. Thanks to everyone who came and supported the preschool! You are greatly appreciated!*



**Altar Flowers today are given for the Glory of God from the Altar Guild in the celebration of our fall season.**

**Our Stewardship for our Lord September 11, 2011.**

<u>September 11, 2011</u>	<u>September 11, 2011</u>	<u>September 11, 2011</u>	<u>September 11, 2011</u>
SS.....24	General Fund.....\$3,730.00	G/Fund Contributions	<u>General &amp; Building</u>
High School.....2	Building Fund.....\$35.00	Needed Weekly to Comply	\$3,765.00
Visitors .....1	Food Pantry.....	with Budget:\$6,731.00	
Adult Class.....22	Sunday School.....	G/Fund Contributions	
Stepping Stone.....7	S/Scholarship.....\$25.00	for 9/11/2011	
Teachers.....11	Loose Cash.....\$91.00	\$3,730.00	
Staff .....1	Library.....\$10.00	<b><u>Under Budget:</u></b>	
Total 61	Total \$3,891.00	\$3001.00	
Worship Service September 11, 2011 (128)			

Total Received General & Building Fund one year ago (9/12/2010 was \$3,951.00

**Stewardship Corner... Choice Dollars through Thrivent Choice from participating member's amount of deposit designated for the General Fund for the month of August was \$555.00.**

<b><u>Those Serving Today</u></b>		<b><u>Those Serving Next Sunday</u></b>	
<b><u>Elders:</u></b> Matt Rath	Jimmie Meyer	<b><u>Elders:</u></b> Matt Rath	Jimmie Meyer
Barry Wolf	Carl Sebesta	Barry Wolf	Carl Sebesta
<b><u>Ushers:</u></b> Mark Hill	Brad Biss	<b><u>Ushers:</u></b> Mark Hill	Brad Biss
Stephen Stuessel	Seth Hill	Stephen Stuessel	Seth Hill
<b><u>Greeters:</u></b> Bill and Linda Blume		<b><u>Greeters:</u></b> Fred and Ruth Paben	
<b><u>Lay Reader:</u></b> Sue Kristynik		<b><u>Lay Reader:</u></b> Norma Pavelka	
<b><u>Acolytes:</u></b> Volunteer		<b><u>Acolytes:</u></b> Volunteer	
<b><u>Nursery:</u></b> Stephanie Meyer		<b><u>Nursery:</u></b> Samantha Waxler	
<b><u>Media Team:</u></b> Margie Ashorn & Marilyn Holtkamp		<b><u>Media Team:</u></b> Jessica Pacher & Leslie Pacher	
<b><u>Videointing:</u></b> Wes Schuknecht		<b><u>Videointing:</u></b> Carl Sebesta	



**AMPED-** (A Ministry Producing Empowered Disciples) will meet every 2nd and 4th Sunday evening from 6-8:30 beginning in October. Please contact Katie Thomas for additional details and questions.



**Faith Chests** – are available for purchase. Contact Pastor if you would like one. These are presented at the end of the “Faith Chest” Parent Education Class, but may also be purchased separately for older children.



**New Bible Study Class** - Our options for Sunday morning adult Bible Class have expanded! Pastor will continue to lead his class in the regular Bible Class room next to the Youth Room. Pastor’s class is continuing to study the beliefs of other Christian denominations. In addition, Alan Boehm is leading a study entitled “Go Fish” in the conference room upstairs right next to the elevator. Please take advantage of these opportunities to grow in your faith! Join us at 9:05am on Sunday mornings!



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 IS OKTOBERFEST AT TLC:** Come celebrate Oktoberfest on Sunday, September 25. A lunch will be provided in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the worship service featuring sausage, sauerkraut, potatoes, and cole slaw, and other German food items. From 11:00 until 1:00, you can enjoy the Valina Polka Band who will be performing German-themed polka music (bring your dancing shoes if you like). There will be activities for both adults and children. **HOW CAN YOU HELP?** Please bring your favorite German type dessert to share with all (such as German chocolate cake, apple strudel, kolaches, cheese rolls, black forest cake, etc.). A sign-up sheet for desserts will be located on the bulletin board in the narthex. See you there!  
Intermediate Youth After School- will meet **tomorrow, September 19 from 3:45-5:15 pm**. If you are in 4th and 5th grade, come on out for some fun! Please contact Katie Thomas for questions and details.



**The Ladies and Men’s Bible Studies** will resume on Monday, September 19th. These studies begin at 6:30 p.m. The Early Morning Bible Study is open to men and women and will resume at 5:15 a.m. on Wednesday, September 21st. It is never too late to join the studies. Open enrollment!!!!!! Please prayerfully consider joining these study groups.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED:** If anyone is interested in teaching Sunday school for the 2011-2012 year, please contact Leslie Pacher or any Board of Education member. We are still in need for K-1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>, and especially 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>.

**AIM**-(Apostles in Mission) is the name of our middle school ministry and biweekly program at Trinity! We will begin meeting again every 1st and 3rd Sunday evening from 5-7 pm beginning October 16th. Don't miss out! Please contact Katie Thomas for more details.



**Faith Stepping Stones** - is starting again for this school year. The “Faith Chest” class for parents of children under the age of two will meet on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>, during Sunday School. Confirmation for 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be held on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. There will be a 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Father/Son retreat to Camp Lone Star on September 23-24 and 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Mother/Daughter Retreat here at Trinity on September 23-24. Contact Pastor or Katie for more details on any part of the Faith Stepping Stone Program. Let us help you grow your family spiritually!



**PORTALS OF PRAYER Devotional Books** - (September – December) are available for you to pick up at one of the tables in the Narthex or ask an Usher for one.



**The Pumpkin Patch** opens on Monday, October 10th and will remain open until Monday, October 31st. Volunteers are still needed to work the Pumpkin Patch. Join us as we reach out to our community and have a lot of fun! Sign up in the narthex at the bulletin board near the woman’s restroom today!



**Trunk-or-Treat** - Once again Trinity Lutheran Church is joining with our MOPS group to reach out to the community in a fun and exciting way! Join us on Saturday, October 29th for our third annual Trunk-or-Treat! This is a great opportunity for elementary aged children and younger to join in the Halloween festivities in a fun and safe environment! If you would like to host a game in the playground area or a trunk of treats, please sign up in the narthex! Any questions? Call Laura Vandercook at 979-256-7456.

**Trinity Lutheran Church** financial statements were approved at the recent Church Council Meeting. A statement may be picked up in the narthex at one of the tables for your viewing.

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**September 18, 2011 THIS WEEK FOR THE LORD**

<b>Sunday</b> September 18 <sup>th</sup> <i>Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Fellowship..... Sunday School & Bible Study..... Worship/Communion Sunday.....	8:45 AM 9:05 AM 10:15 AM
<b>Monday</b> September 19 <sup>th</sup>	Intermediate Youth..... Preschool Board Meeting..... Men's Bible Study ..... Ladies Bible Study ..... Girl Scouts.....	3:45 PM-5:15 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM
<b>Tuesday</b> September 20 <sup>th</sup>		
<b>Wednesday</b> September 21 <sup>st</sup>	Early Morning Bible Study..... Ladies Sewing..... 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class..... Icthus Bible Study (Fait's Home).....	5:15 AM 8:30 AM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM
<b>Thursday</b> September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	MOPS..... Volleyball.....	9:00 AM-11:30 AM 6:30 PM
<b>Friday</b> September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Faith Stepping Stone Retreat (Father/Son & Mother/Daughter) SET UP GYM FOR OKTOBERFEST.....	? NOON
<b>Saturday</b> September 24 <sup>th</sup>	Return from Faith Stepping Stone Retreat..... GYM SET UP FOR OKTOBERFEST.....	? ALL DAY
<b>Next Sunday</b> September 25 <sup>th</sup> <i>Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Fellowship..... Sunday School & Bible Study..... Worship/Celebration Sunday..... OKTOBERFEST.....	8:45 AM 9:05 AM 10:15 AM After Church

**Notice to Members and Visitors:** Trinity Lutheran Church photographs and video tapes events directly and indirectly associated with the church. You or members of your family may be photographed or video taped during an event for publicity and/or for event activity archives. These photographs may be placed on bulletin boards, web pages, and promotional flyers and videos. Every effort will be made to limit or exclude personal information of minors for any public posting of event photographs and video. If you wish to exclude yourself or members of your family from any photographs or video please contact the church office. Thank you.

**Notes for our worshipers:** Nursery care for children, age 3 and under, is in a preschool classroom. Ask an usher for directions. Hearing Assistance Receivers to enhance hearing of today's worship service are available in the narthex. Ask an elder for assistance. Restrooms are located in the church narthex.



**"Hide and Seek? No! Seek and Find" Lutheran Hour Speaker:**

Rev. Gregory Seltz. The seeking God is also the findable Lord. God's invitation to seek and find is one that's full of His grace and mercy. (Isaiah 55:6-7) Listen to the "Lutheran Hour" or go to their web at [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org). This may be heard on Sundays, KHCBC 105.7 FM at 4:00 am and at 12:30 pm or KSEV 700 AM at 6:30 am.

