

Building His Body By Reflecting the Son

June 2025

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 am

Sunday School For All Ages

Worship Service 10:00 am Sunday

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

CONGRATULATIONS TO CONFIRMANDS. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES AND PRESCHOOL PRE-K GRADUATES

Our Three Confirmands, Ryley McElroy, Isolde Niemann, and Bradley Picard were Confirmed by Pastor Ken Bersche during the church service on Sunday, May 4, 2025. May God lead you in His path as you continue growing in Christ!









Ryley McElroy

Isolde Niemann

Bradley Picard

High school graduates Charlie Arriaga, Bradley Bozeman, Colby Nedd, and Preston Villalovoz attended the Potluck Luncheon and received congratulatory cards on Sunday, May 4, 2025. May God continue His Blessings on you as you start the next chapter in your life.









Charlie Arriaga

Bradley Bozeman

Colby Nedd

Preston Villalovoz

Preschool Graduation of May 18, 2025, we will remember the air conditioner went out in the sanctuary and we had preschool graduation in the gym. Thank you to Pam Epperly and the Media Team who in about thirty minutes had everything going in the gym. Thank you church members and preschool parents for setting up and tearing down chairs in the gym. Was everything perfect? No. Any complaints? Yes. Did everything work out? Yes. There was a reason for all this, and it was in God's plan. Now we will figure out why.

































"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)

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Happy Anniversay

"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)

6/1/1958	Bobby & Geraldine Barrett
6/3/1972	Clarence & Rose Einkauf
6/4/1994	John & Shirley Schier
6/14/1997	Russell & Sheri Dziadek
6/14/1969	Marvin & Carol Pless
6/14/1975	Troy & Yvonne Tesch
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6/16/2001 **Brian & Amber Nedd** 6/16/1957 **Billy & Doris Schaffner** Jerry & Marlene Leiber 6/17/1973 6/18/1999 **Terry & Noah Hankins** Cody & Amber Shupak 6/25/2016

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

Joyce Meyer, Colonial Living, 1401 Eagle Lake Rd. Sealy, TX 7747

Ellie Niemann, Colonia Living, 1401 Eagle Lake Rd. **Sealy, TX 77474**



THE CHURCH **PLANNING MEETING** is scheduled for Monday June 9th at 6:00 pm. All committees and groups representatives from all boards

and auxiliary organizations that need to be on the church calendar (July 2025-January 2026) should attend.

THE SEALY CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY Is once again collecting plastic bags that can be used to bag canned items. If you would, please save your re-usable shopping bags

and bring them to the church. There is a container next to the elevator to place

> THE BLESSING BOX **PROJECT**

The Blessing Box Project is a group of volunteers from

Bellville, Sealy and the surrounding communities that get together to make and assemble Blessing Boxes to be sent to breast cancer patients, following their surgeries. Next Blessing Box Project is Wednesday, June 11th at 1:00 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church gym. information, please call Ruth Szymanski at 979-885-9504.

HOW TO DIRECT

Thrivent Choice Dollars May 8, 2025, Amount of THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS® Deposit \$179.00. Please

take time and call 1-800-847-4836 and designate your funds to Trinity Lutheran General Fund.



PLEASE CONTINUE TO BRING DIAPERS FOR THE DIAPER BANK for the Sealy Pregnancy Center. This is a

need just like baby lotion, baby body wash, pacifiers, baby wipes, baby socks, etc.

LWML meets every other month on the first Thursday at 2 o'clock! The future meetings will be in July, September, and November. Our next meeting will be July 10th!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Please join us and welcome our new members to our family of faith with a potluck meal on Sunday, June 22nd. We would like the congregational

members to bring sides of meat, veggies, casseroles, fruits, or desserts. New Members do not bring anything but you and your families. Please note...everyone please come to the luncheon even if you are not bringing a side. This is a great time to visit and enjoy fellowship with each other and with our newest members.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASS NEW TOPIC STARTING, JUNE 1ST: THE NICENE CREED.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class New Topic will be on The Nicene Creed.

If you can answer the following three questions correctly, you are exempt. (Most Christians do not know the correct answers. That's why we have Bible Class every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.!)

- 1. What is the technical and official name of the creed we confess on Holy Communion Sundays? The answer is NOT the "Nicene Creed"!
- 2.In what city was this creed finalized? If you answered, "Nicea" you are WRONG!
- 3. What was the reason for the production of this creed? Does this issue still exist today? If you answered, "I don't know" you'd be partially correct but mostly, wrong!

To find out the correct answers, participate in Adult Bible Class, beginning Sunday, June 1st 9AM IN THE GYM!!!!!



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES May 12, 2025

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

Council members present:

- John Vrablec President
- Pastor Ken Bersche
- Ruth Szymanski Treasurer
- Nikki Vrablec Board of Education Chairman
- Jason Carr Trustee Chairman
- David Novosad Usher Chairman
- Kimberly Kornegay Secretary
- James Gilliam Elder Chairman

Absent:

- Terry Hankins Vice President
- Janice Wied Stewardship Chairman
- Joanne Dixon Fellowship Outreach Chairman
- · Preschool -

The Minutes from the meeting held on April 14, 2025, were presented. David Novosad made a motion to accept the minutes. Nikki Vrablec seconded the motion. All Council members approved, and the motion passed.

Old Business:

No old business

Chairmen Reports:

Ruth Szymanski – Treasurer

April Report - As of April 30, 2025, the cash balance in the General Fund was \$58,836.14. The Building Fund balance was \$43,383.95 and the Designated Fund balance was \$102,354.85. The Total of All Funds was \$198,256.53. The total contributions for April were \$31,374.00 and total expenses for April were \$23,812.98. The total contributions for the year 2025 were \$112,039.22 while the total expenses for the year were \$95.940.63.

Janice Wied – Stewardship Chairman

No report.

Elders - James Gilliam

No report.

Terry Hankins - Vice President

No report.

Pastor Bersche -

- Still visiting shut-ins.
- Bible Classes:
 - Sunday Mornings (May) Matthew 28 which will conclude in the month of May
 - Wednesday Mornings 1 John 5 which will conclude on May 14th
- Official Acts:
 - Recognition of Baptism for Bailey Wrey Willever
 - Confirmation for Ryley McElroy, Isolde Niemann, and Bradley Picard

Nikki Vrablec - Board of Education Chairman

- VBS is scheduled for May 27 29 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Please consider volunteering and look for sign-up sheets in the Narthex.
- Looking for Sunday School teachers for the Junior High and High School classes starting in September.

Joanne Dixon – Fellowship Outreach Chairman

No report.

Jason Carr – Trustee Chairman

 Working on the AC for a few rooms upstairs in the fellowship building.

David Novosad - Usher Chairman

All is good.

Preschool -

- Treasurer's report -
 - Checking Account balance -\$76,716.51
 - Savings Account balance -\$50,603.68.

There being no further reports, Nikki Vrable made the motion to accept all reports presented. Ruth Szymanski seconded the motion. All Council members agreed, and the motion passed.

New Business

 After the council discussion, James Gilliam made the motion to donate \$500.00 to the family of Devah Woods (the young girl who was swept away during recent storms in Brenham). Nikki Vrablec seconded the motion. All Council members approved, and the motion passed.

There being no further business, James Gilliam made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ruth Szymanski seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned, and Pastor Bersche led the council in the Lord's Prayer.

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, June 9, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. and Nikki Vrablec will have the devotion.

John Vrablec - President Kimberly Kornegay - Secretary

A Huge Thank You to The Media Team, Congregational Members and Preschool Parents

I would like to say a huge thank you from my heart to the media team, congregational members and preschool parents for all the work of setting up the gym for Sunday Worship and Preschool Graduation on May 18th.

The church air conditioner went out and everyone was trying to figure out what happened. In the meantime, it was close to 9:30 am and there was still no air conditioning and soon church will begin at 10:00 am. The decision was made to end Sunday School and set up chairs and have the worship service and preschool graduation in the gym. The work of God is worthy. If you were not present to see and experience how God works through each of us, you missed a great experience.

My heart was full, and my eyes were wide open to see everyone coming together and helping. The gym was set up in less than ten or fifteen minutes ready for worship and graduation. That includes the media team getting sound and picture to the gym screen. I was worried about the pre-k since all our practices were in the sanctuary. These little pre-k graduates did an amazing, wonderful job marching into the music, singing and shaking hands with Pastor Bersche. For me this was perfect! We need to look at the good in everything. God is AMAZING! Our Media Team, Church Members and Preschool Parents were AMAZING they came together to make everything happen. From the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU!

"I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds." (Psalm 9:1-2)