

The Burning Bush

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

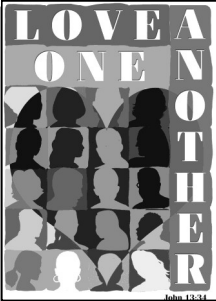
Odessa, DE

May 18, 2025

We share a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith,
we embrace you as a whole person -- questions, complexities all. Join us as we do
God's work for the life of the world.

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You are always welcome here

We hope you feel comfortable being your full self here. We trust you find compassion and forgiveness, joy and community, and love among us. Please sign in to let us know who you are. We'd love to get to know you, connect you with others, and accompany you along your faith journey.

ALL baptized Christians are welcome to participate in Communion here at Tree of Life. And please join us for fellowship for a snack and coffee or tea following the postlude.

We are called to serve

To volunteer to serve during worship, see Gene Zaiser or contact him at gzaiser@yahoo.com. We thank today's worship service volunteers: Maxine Campbell, usher; Janet Adams, worship assistant; Jean Schulze, fellowship provider; Nicky Zaiser, altar preparer; and Joe Schulze, offering counter.

The offering for last Sunday, May 11, was \$9,600.00, \$5,120.00 of which was designated for the Building Fund. The average weekly offering for the month of April was \$3,080.45.

Our roof is not only completed, but also dedicated (last Sunday) and paid for! But we could use \$10,000 to replenish what we spent above and beyond your generous donations. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

You can serve the community and make a difference

** Knot Quilters and Project Linus Blankets - 10am to noon, normally on second Wednesdays.

Questions? See Nicky Zaiser and Janet Adams, respectively.

** Seamens Center - Donations of toiletries, snacks, socks, etc. at the Donation Station between the Narthex and the kitchen. Questions? See Gene Zaiser.

** Donations for "Our Daily Bread" - Pick up a bag and list of food products at the Donation Station; and/or volunteer to serve a meal the first Wednesday of the month. Questions? See Sylvia Schill. Thank you!

** Pill bottle ministry - Place your clean, empty pill bottles in the box at the Donation Station. Bottles are sorted, counted and packed up for mailing to the Matthew 25 Ministries by our Kingdom Kids. Questions? See Pam Nichols.

Vacation Bible School set for Friday evening June 20-Sunday, June 22

We're trying something new this summer: an intensive weekend of VBS instead of a full week. The goal is to attract more families by not conflicting with camps and other summer activities. Mark your calendars for June 20, 5:00-8:00pm, June 21, 9:00am-4:00pm at St. Paul's UMC, and a combined Sunday morning service with St. Paul's on June 22. More details coming soon. To volunteer to help, please see Pastor Robbie.



Beware of dead tree branches!

One of our trees has some dead branches that are being held in place only by ivy, and are therefore at risk of falling. Dirk Schulze has put caution tape around the area at risk. Until the problem is corrected, please avoid the area inside the caution tape. Thank you!



Let us pray for ...


Abby and Dan Radcliffe, Amanda Campbell, Annalise Fratta, Bill Glass, Bob McCord, Cecilia, Chris Collett, Danielle Fangman, Elizabeth Schreppler, Elizabeth Zaiser, Erica Zaiser, Gail Norris, Kimberly Cilento, Noretta Burke, Patrick Pileggi, Paul Schuler, Sarah Schreppler, and William and Winnie Brill.

Let us also pray for those who serve and have served in our military; disaster victims and victims of violence and injustice everywhere; the health of our members and the world; our volunteers, church leaders, and Church Council; the people of Ukraine; the Israelis, Palestinians, hostages, civilians and everyone grieving —may warfare and hate give way to peace and justice.

If you would like to add someone to our prayer list, please leave a message at 302-378-3345 or email your request to treeoflifelc@verizon.net. Please include the full name of the person as well as your own. It is also important to notify the church office when this person can be taken off the list.

OWLS to travel via Riverpacket on Chester River Sept. 15

Once again the OWLS will have a buffet lunch and excursion on Chester River's Riverpacket. The cost per person is \$50. The boat leaves from Chestertown, MD. If you would like to reserve your spot (no money due yet), please let Dee or George Matz know. Once they have the minimum number of people, the trip will be a go, and a link will be set up to pay the fee online.

Volunteer, participate, attend						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thurs- day	Friday	Satur- day
MAY 18 9:00am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service Noon - Kingdom Kids and Confirmation	MAY 19 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	MAY 20	MAY 21 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 2:00pm Choir practice	MAY 22	MAY 23 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office	MAY 24
MAY 25 9:00am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service Noon - Kingdom Kids and Confirmation	MAY 26  Remember and Honor their sacrifice **	MAY 27	MAY 28 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office	MAY 29	MAY 30 10:00am -1:00pm Pastor Robbie in office 1:00pm-4:00pm Sec. Maria Gue in office SYNOD ASSEMBLY May 30-31	MAY 31

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