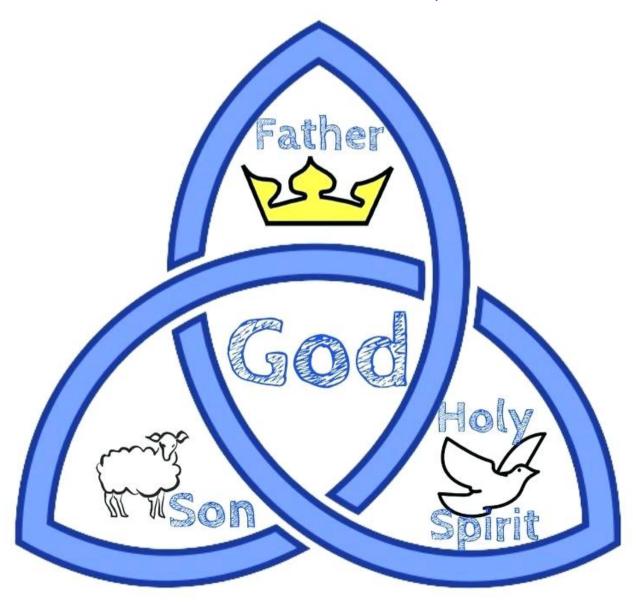
LUTHER'S LETTER



Monthly publication of Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Carmine, Texas

MLLC's Mission Statement: Martin Luther Lutheran Church, called by the Spirit to be a community of faith, welcomes all to a ministry of Word and sacrament, that together we may grow in faith, and be equipped for service to God and our community.

THE HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY JUNE 4TH, 2023



How Good Lord to be at Worship By Pastor David Tinker

How good it is to be together with Jesus and his people in worship and fellowship.

This Summer is a perfect time to get back to church.

If you have been away from church for a week, I look forward to seeing you soon.

If you have been away from church for a month, I look forward to seeing you soon.

If you have been away from church for a season, I look forward to seeing you soon.

If you have been away from church for a year, I look forward to seeing you soon.

If you have been away from church for years, I look forward to seeing you soon.

This June, this Summer, let's get together with one another and with our Lord Jesus Christ for worship and fellowship. God loves us and calls us to gather.

This Summer, I invite you to strive toward being part of the good thing of worship and fellowship on a weekly basis. If you miss a week, work to get back on track the next week.

- 1) Plan your weekends around being able to attend worship. We have three worship opportunities each weekend Saturdays at 6 p.m., and Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Remember that Waldeck Evangelical Lutheran Church our partner congregation offers worship at 8:00 a.m. each Sunday.
- 2) If you will be away for the weekend, plan ahead to worship at a local congregation where you will be. The ELCA web site has a search page to find a local Lutheran church where you are traveling: http://www.elca.org/tools/FindACongregation

 If one is not available, seek out a church of another tradition. I always enjoy hearing from you when you return from vacations as you tell me about the churches you have visited while way.
- 3) Work on creating or improving Sabbath time practices. Carve out a day of rest, prayer, and study of God's Word, such as Sunday or Saturday. Consider putting aside handheld devices. Eat meals together as a household. Take a good nap. If your work is more sedentary, do something which gets you moving and outside.
- 4) Keep up with your regular offerings. Together we will still have expenses such as utilities and staffing throughout the summer. Make up missed offerings the next week you are at worship or send in your offering envelope by mail. You can also begin using the automated giving service. The church web site has a page about this: http://mllccarmine.com/online-giving/

I look forward to seeing you this summer. How good it is to be together with Jesus and his people in worship and fellowship.

If you have been away from worship at all, I look forward to seeing you soon.

Daily Bible Readings for June 1 thru 30

June 1	June 10	June 19	June 28
John 4:15-26	John 19:12–24	Mark 2:13-17	Mark 4:13-20
Acts 3:11-26	Acts 6:1-7	Acts 8:26–40	Acts 12:20–24
Psalms 78:1-18 † 78:19-40			
Daily Chapter: Leviticus 11	Psalms 99, 100, 101 † 102	Psalms 119:49–72 † 119:73–88	Psalms 140 † 143
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June 2			
John 4:27–38	June 11	June 20	June 29
Acts 4:1–12	John 19:25–37	Mark 2:18-22	Matthew 16:13–19
Psalms 78:41–72 † 80	Acts 4:32–37	Acts 9:31–43	Acts 9:1–19
Daily Chapter: Leviticus 12	Psalms 103 † 104	Psalms 119:89–104 † 119:105–128	
Daily Ghapter. Ecvitions 12	Daily Chapter: Leviticus 21	Daily Chapter: Numbers 3	Daily Chapter: Numbers 12
June 3			
John 4:39–45	June 12		June 30
	John 19:38–42	June 21	Mark 4:21-25
Acts 4:13–22 Psalms 81 † 83	Acts 6:8-7:8	Mark 2:23-28	Acts 9:20-30
	Psalms 105:1–22 † 105: 23–45	Acts 10:1–16	Psalms 146 † 147
Daily Chapter: Leviticus 13	Daily Chapter: Leviticus 22	Psalms 119:129-152 † 119:153-176	Daily Chapter: Numbers 13
		Daily Chapter: Numbers 4	
June 4	June 13		
Matthew 28: 16–20	Mark 1:1-11	June 22	
2 Corinthians 13:7–14	Acts 7:9-22	Mark 3:1-12	
Psalms 84 † 85	Psalms 106:1–18 † 106:19–48	Acts 10:17-33	
Daily Chapter: Leviticus 14	Daily Chapter: Leviticus 23	Psalms 118 † 120, 121	
	•	Daily Chapter: Number 5	
June 5	June 14	•	
John 4:46–54	Mark 1:12-20	June 23	
Acts 4:23-31	Acts 7:23-36	Mark 3:13-19	
Psalms 2, 86 † 87, 88	Psalms 107:1-22 † 107:23-43	Acts 10:34-48	
Daily Chapter: Leviticus 15	Daily Chapter: Leviticus 24	Psalms 122, 123 † 124, 125, 126	
	,	Daily Chapter: Numbers 6	
June 6	June 15	,	
John 18:1–11	Mark 1:21-28	June 24	
Acts 5:1–11	Acts 7:37-50	Luke 1:59-66	
Psalms 89:1–18 † 89:19–52	Psalms 108, 110 † 109	Luke 1:67–80	
Daily Chapter: Leviticus 16	Daily Chapter: Leviticus 25	Psalms 127, 128 † 129, 130, 131	
	. 9	Daily Chapter: Numbers 7	
June 7	June 16	,	
John 18:12–27	Mark 1:29-34	June 25	
Acts 5:12-21	Acts 7:51—8:3	Mark 3:20-27	
Psalms 90 † 91	Psalms 111, 112 † 113,114	Acts 11:1–18	
Daily Chapter: Leviticus 17	Daily Chapter: Leviticus 26	Psalms 132, 133 † 134, 135	
	Duity Chapter Levicious 20	Daily Chapter: Numbers 8	
June 8	June 17	Builty Ghapter. Hambers o	
John 18:28-40	Mark 1:35-45	June 26	
Acts 5:22-32	Acts 8:4-13	Mark 3:28-35	
Psalms 92, 93 † 94	Psalms 115 † 116, 117	Psalms 136 † 137, 138	
Daily Chapter: Leviticus 18	Daily Chapter: Leviticus 27	Daily Chapter: Numbers 9	
-	Daily Ghapter. Levitious 2/	Daily Chapter. Numbers 3	
June 9	June 18	June 27	
John 19:1–11	Mark 2:1–12	Mark 4:1–12	
Acts 5:33-42	Acts 8:14-25	Mark 4.1–12 Acts 12:1–19	
Psalms 95, 96 † 97, 98			
Daily Chapter: Leviticus 19	Psalms 119:1-24 † 119:25-48	Psalms 68:1–18 † 68: 19–35	
.,	Daily Chapter: Numbers 1	Daily Chapter: Numbers 10	

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Church Council Highlights from May 9, 2023

Members Present: Tim Sanders - President Josh Eckert - President Elect, Jason Schroeder - Secretary, Danielle Nelson - Treasurer, Pastor Tinker, Shayne Kirts - Christian Education, Todd Dooley - Property, Vickie Neutzler - Worship

Members Absent: Susie Markwardt - Outreach, Rachelle Kuecker - Stewardship

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Tim Sanders. The devotion and prayer was led by Tim Sanders

Previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the April meeting were reviewed. Todd Dooley moved to accept the minutes with a second by Vickie Neutzler. All approved.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was reviewed. Jason Schroeder moved to accept, with a second by Josh Eckert. All approved.

Pastor's Report: Summer Camp at Lutherhill: Younger youth and confirmation week for our 4 churches – July 30 – August 4. At least two MLLC youth will be attending confirmation camp that week.

The Men in Mission group will be offering the \$50/per person campership for MLLC youth who attend Lutherhill or Chrysalis, our synod related camps.

Upcoming Events: Vacation Bible School June 11-15 evenings. VBS Closing Sunday, June 18, 10 a.m. Labor Day Sunday September 3 Worship and meal in Fellowship Hall, sponsored by Worship Committee Upcoming Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry Meeting 9-10:30 a.m.

August 12, 2023 – Saturday Location: Waldeck November 11, 2023 – Saturday Location: Shelby February 10, 2024 – Saturday Location: Carmine

Committee Reports:

Christian Education Committee: MLLC will partner with Bethlehem Lutheran, Round Top for Vacation Bible School and registration deadline is May 30th. Closing will be on Father's Day with reception following.

Outreach Committee: No new business.

Property Committee: Looking at the lighting in the Fellowship Hall. Checking with Washington County Landscape about taking care of flowerbeds.

Stewardship Committee: No new business.

Worship Committee: Looking into raising the balcony railing. Purchasing new binders for Pastor and lay assistant.

Old Business: A motion was made by Jason Schroeder and seconded by Vickie Neutzler to meet with Bishop Rinehart on July 10th. A congregational meeting will be held on August 27th to decide whether to extend the ELCA Research Committee. All approved. The ELCA Research Committee will have a presentation to the congregation in June. No date set.

New Business: No new business.

Shayne Kirts will give the devotion at next month's meeting on Sunday, June 11, 2023 at 11:30 am.

Pastor moved to adjourn the meeting with a second by Todd Dooley. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Jason Schroeder, Secretary

MLLC Financial Information

April 2023 Monthly		April Expense Highlights	
Total Income	\$24,793.50	Salaries and Benefits	\$ 17,146.80
Total Expenses	\$21,328.60	Property/Utilities	\$ 1,276.07
Net Income(Loss):	\$ 3,464.90	Office Expenses	\$ 653.75
		World/Community Benev.	\$ 1,208.32
April 2023 Year to Date		Sunday School	\$ 1,501.95
Total Income	\$98,437.36	Stewardship-Envelopes	\$ 761.22
Total Expenses	\$94,185.65	Outreach	\$ 10.44
Net Income(Loss):	\$ 4,251.71	Reimbursable	\$ 272.00

Attendance & Contributions

DATE	ATTENDANCE	GENERAL	ONLINE	<u>BUILDING</u>
04/01	16	\$ 560.00		
04/02	65	\$7,342.15		\$150.00
04/06 Maundy	Thur 25	\$ 839.00		
04/07 Good Fri	25	\$ 120.00		
04/08 Vigil	38	\$ 996.00		
04/09 Sunrise	36	\$ 825.00		
04/09 Easter	156	\$4,317.25	\$146.07	\$ 125.00
04/15	18	\$ 265.00		
04/16	50	\$1,067.00	\$107.90	\$ 50.00
04/22	25	\$ 375.00		
04/23	50	\$2,021.00	\$285.54	
04/29	34	\$ 720.00	\$157.37	\$140.00
04/30	28	\$ 795.00		\$ 50.00

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

Rebekah Group will meet on Thursday, May 11th at 2:00 pm. The Bible Study theme is: Devotional

The meeting will be hosted by Carol Carmean & Susan Ray

Bible Study will be led by Joann Ullrich

Jocie Braun will present the Offering Meditation.

Planning meeting for salad supper is Wednesday, May 3rd at 2:00 pm.

Quilting is scheduled for Monday, May 8thh at 9:00 am in the Mission & Ministry Bldg.

Mother's day Upbring offerings are scheduled for Sunday, May 14th.

Appoint Nominating Committee

AMEN Ingathering

Items needed in Fabric Kits for LWR:

Two pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester); fabric should have no stains or holes and be cut into pieces measuring: 2 1/4 yards of 60" wide fabric, or 3 yards of 44" wide fabric, or 4 yards of 36" wide fabric.

Two spools of neutral-colored, general-purpose thread, 250-300 yards each.

Fold thread and one piece of fabric inside second piece and tie with yarn, sturdy string, ribbon, or strip of fabric.

2023 SCHEDULE MARTIN LUTHER LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION

President Floyd Etzel Vice-President Alvis Mueller Chaplain Pastor Tinker Treasurer/Alum Cans Brick Peele

Secretary & Program Director Pastor Tinker

DATE	TIME	PROGRAM	HOST
June 26	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Floyd Etzel
July 24	6:00 p.m.	Family Night	
		Ice Cream Social	MLLC Men in Mission
Aug. 28	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Brick Peele
Sept. 25	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Alvin Mueller
Oct. 23	6:00 p.m.	Family Night	MLLC Men in Mission
Nov. 24	6:00 p.m.	Pack Christmas Boxes	All Members
Dec.		NO MEETING	

This years' Bible Study Theme is Praying like Jesus the Messiah

ALL INVITED!

Come and See!



Friends and Family Prayer Concerns: Jerry Wickel (heart issues), Sonny Marth (health concerns), Joshua Aranzolo (health concerns), Joe Franks (cancer, friend of MLLC), Susan Bathe (recent surgery), Jennifer Teinert (upcoming back surgery), Angie Colpetzer (health concerns), Dorothy Marth (health concerns), Bradley Rinn (health concerns, friend of Darrel & Vickie Neutzler), Harold Smith (health concerns, brother of Vickie Neutzler), Will Espinoza (recent open heart surgery, Kalisa Pomykal's son-in-law), Joy Treude (health concerns), Earl Neumann (health concerns), Mark Hinze (cancer, son of Kenny Hinze), Sheila Hanke (health concerns), Lorali Schultz (health concerns, sister to Sedalia Ullrich), Kim Wunderlich Lewis (cancer treatment), Paula Barrick (health concerns). Homebound Members: Ruth Schoenemann (health concerns), Jimmy Flinn, Thelma Hinze, Joyce Fuchs, Daniel & Ila Nell Kieke, Pat McCanlies, Allyne McGilvra, David & Sara Eilers.

Members in Care Facilities: Otto Fuchs (Brenham Nursing & Rehabilitation), Judy Yarborough (Giddings Residence & Rehabilitation), Gladys Roemer (Argent Court). Military Personnel: MLLC member: Joseph Vogel Family & Friends: Justyn Bearden, Michael Martin, Kyle Slaughter, Joshua Finke, and all those who serve, known and unknown, in harm's way.

Sympathy to the family of: Mary Ann Bathe (mother of Larry Bathe and relative of Susan Bathe), **Gerald Schmidt** (nephew of Ruby Juergen).



Summer Camp 2023 at Lutherhill - Younger youth

It is the tradition of our Crossroads Shared Ministry Churches – Carmine, Waldeck, Round Top, and Shelby – to encourage the younger youth (ending grade 6 and younger) to attend Lutherhill together. This has traditionally been the final week of camp. In 2023, that week is Week 8 – July 30 – August 4. The web site for registration is: Lutherhill.org Additionally, MLLC will reimburse \$100 of camp expenses for youth who attend a week at Lutherhill. \$50 comes from the camping fund, and \$50 comes from the aluminum can fund of Lutheran Men in Mission. This reimbursement comes after the youth completes the week of camp. If your financial difficulties prevent your child attending camp, please contact Pastor David Tinker privately about financial assistance for camp.

Confirmation Camp

The congregation also covers the complete cost of one full week of Confirmation Camp at Lutherhill for youth currently in Confirmation Class. The date for this camp will be July 30-Aug 4, 2023. Please contact Pastor Tinker with questions.

If another week works better for either Summer Camp or Confirmation Camp, please feel free to register accordingly.

Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministries June 2023 Happenings

Waldeck Lutheran Church – St. Paul Lutheran Church – Shelby
Bethlehem Lutheran Church – Round Top – Martin Luther Lutheran Church – Carmine
Next Shared Ministry Meeting – August 12, 2023 – at Waldeck – 9-10:30 a.m.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church – Round Top
412 S White St
Round Top, TX 78954
(979) 249-3686
E-mail: blc@cvctx.com
Find us on Facebook

Worship on Sunday – 9:30 a.m. Noisy Offering on 1st Sunday monthly Pastor John David Nedbalek

Adult Bible Study Classes at Bethlehem Lutheran Church for June will be cancelled.

Ruth Circle will be meeting in the Educational Building Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. All visitors and new members are welcome to attend.

The Sewing Circle will be meeting in the Educational Building Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. All visitors and new members are welcome to attend.

Vacation Bible School
Shared with Martin Luther – Carmine
Location: Martin Luther – Carmine
Sunday, June 11 – Thursday June 15
5:30 – 7:45 p.m.
Registration information at:
http://mllccarmine.com/vbs-2023/
Theme: Stellar – Shine Jesus' Light
Participants, preschool through elementary
age invited.
Participants and volunteers welcome

St. Paul Lutheran Church – Shelby
6814 Skull Creek Road
Fayetteville TX 78940

Located just a few blocks east of FM 1457
(979)836-8972
www.stpaulshelby.org
Find us on Facebook

Regular Sunday Service time – 8:00 AM
– Sunday School @ 9:30 AM
Pastor John David Nedbalek
pstrjd@cvctx.com
– cell 210-422-7599

Quilting – 3rd Wednesday each month ~9:00 a.m

Game Day – First and Third Wednesdays of each month from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Open to the community. Everyone is welcome.

Bring snack, board game, dominoes, etc.

Upcoming Crossroads Shared Lutheran Ministry Meetings 9-10:30 a.m. on Saturday Mornings

August 12, 2023 – Saturday Location: Waldeck

November 11, 2023 – Saturday Location: Shelby

February 10, 2024 – Saturday

Martin Luther Lutheran Church –
Carmine

211 Luther Lane; P O Box 362 Carmine, TX 78932 979-278-

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http://mllccarmine.com
Worship on Sunday – 10:00 a.m.
Worship on Saturdays – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.
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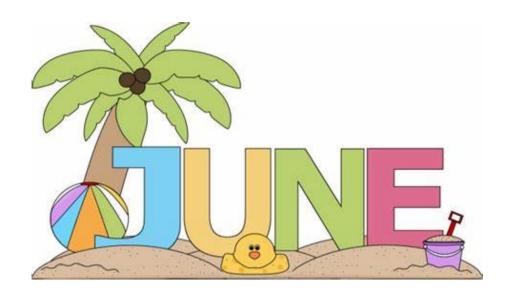
*Monthly Study/Fellowship Groups Quilting – 2nd Mondays at 9:00 a.m. in the Mission & Ministry Building. Rebekah Group – 2nd Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Men in Mission – 4th Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the parlor – by church offices. 12 noon in November.

Senior Citizens Meals on Wheels and fellowship
New Participants are always welcome.
Every Wednesday (excluding Federal holidays) 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. All seniors welcome. Small donation invited to cover cost of food. The group meets at 250 Augsburg Ave, in the Mission & Ministry building, across the street from the church.

Vacation Bible School
Shared with Bethlehem – Round Top
Location: Martin Luther – Carmine
Sunday, June 11 – Thursday June 15
5:30 – 7:45 p.m.
Registration information at:
http://mllccarmine.com/vbs-2023/
Theme: Stellar – Shine Jesus' Light
Participants, preschool through
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Participants and volunteers welcome

Waldeck Evangelical Lutheran Church
6915 Waldeck Church Ln
Ledbetter, TX 78946 979-249-3802
Find us on Facebook
Worship on Sunday – 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
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Vacation Bible School at Waldeck The dates for Waldeck VBS 2023 are coming soon. See this newsletter insert page in July for complete details.



06/01 Delores Pohl

06/02 Hayden Garlin

06/05 Cole Garlin

06/06 Haley Kokel

06/06 David Tinker

06/11 Tucker Jacob

06/11 Douglas Ullrich, Sr.

06/12 Ronnie Siptak

06/15 Alvis Mueller

06/17 Mason Mikeska

06/19 Amber Dooley

06/20 Joyce Fuchs

06/21 Delbert Stiewert

06/24 Bridget Kokel

06/27 Morgan Daehnke

06/28 Codie Lange

06/28 Rylan Stork

06/30 Dylan Mueller

06/01 Abby Wunderlich

06/04 Vilette Finke

06/05 Kalissa Pomykal

06/06 Randy Sanders

06/06 Joy Treude

06/11 Sedalia Ullrich

06/12 Caroline Lange

06/12 Faith Stork

06/17 Daniel Kieke

06/18 Ruby Juergens

06/19 Marie Loewe

06/20 Dennis Gerland

06/24 Jerry Jacob

06/25 Richard Kovar

06/27 Josephine Drydale

06/28 Gwen Stork

06/29 Leatha Miller





This year MLLC in Carmine and Bethlehem Lutheran in Round Top are teaming up to provide a Stellar VBS. Together, our churches will launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun. Children age 3-Grade 6 are invited to MLLC each night, Sunday, June 11-Thursday, June 15, from 5:30-7:45 pm. Supper will be provided.

Register online now at https://mllccarmine.com/vbs-2023/.

Adult and teen volunteers are needed. If you are interested, please contact Jennifer Tinker, Amelia Williams, Pastor Tinker, or the Church Office.

We look forward to shining Jesus' light with you this summer at Stellar VBS!

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY JUNE 18, 2023



LOCAL HAPPENINGS/EVENTS



WELCA SALAD POT-LUCK SUPPER

Please join us for an evening of fellowship, food, fund and entertainment.

The annual salad supper of Martin Luther Lutheran Church will be held Wednesday, June 7th, beginning at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall of MLLC. This year the theme is "Butterflies". All women of the church are invited to attend and to invite guests. As customary, members are asked to bring a salad or dessert in proportion to the guests invited (It's "pot luck"). Expect an evening of fun, food, and fellowship.

Children who attend will be invited to participate in the program. They will help lead the theme song " If I Were A Butterfly". (No advance practice necessary.)



BE A SUPERHERO AND DONATE BLOOD!

The Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center is scheduled to conduct a blood drive on Sunday, June 25th, from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall of MLLC. You can make an appointment by logging into your established Digital Donor Account, or by contacting Khardin@giveblood.org.







We invite You and your congregation to join as we celebrate our

Twenty-fifth Annual Gospel Jubilee and Sing-a-Long

7 p.m.

Monday June 19th, 2023

at the

Family Life Center

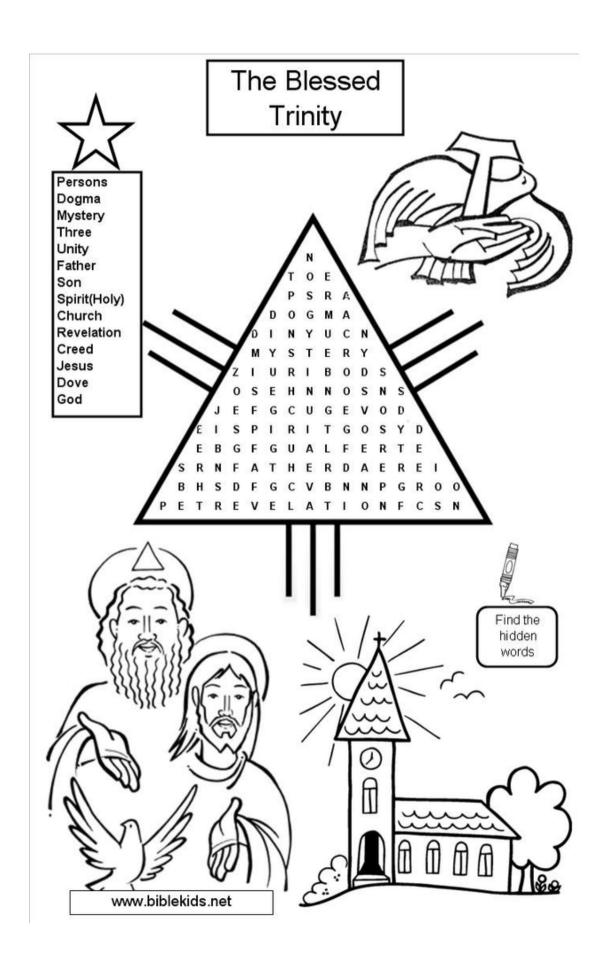
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Vickie Neutzler, Audrey Sternadel, Secretaries

Worship schedule:

Saturday Worship w/Holy Communion 6:00 p.m. Sunday School for all – Sundays 9:00 a.m. Sunday worship w/Holy Communion – 10:00 a.m.

Church Council: Tim Sanders-President; Joshua Eckert-President-elect; Jason Schroeder-Secretary;
Danielle Nelson-Treasurer; Vickie Neutzler-Worship Committee; RaChelle Kuecker, Stewardship Committee;
Shayne Kirts-Christian Education Committee; Todd Dooley-Property Committee; Susie Markwardt, Care Outreach Committee

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