

# A Community

Following Jesus

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# The Messenger

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*By Larry Conrad*

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For many years, there has been a hope and dream to upgrade the Mission campus fellowship hall. In the 2016/2017 fiscal year budget, we committed to a ceiling and lighting upgrade. As we worked toward developing the upgrade project, several members came together to ask, "How could we expand the project to a complete remodel of the fellowship hall?"

Upon further review, we recognized that the fellowship hall is the second



largest meeting space on the Mission campus. This is a space that should evoke a warm and comforting environment to engage in spiritual discussion and fellowship. We know that to

many in the community, this space is also a first impression of Trinity.

With the help of Buffy and Phil Rishel a design concept was drawn up. We asked for bids for all phases of the



**The 50+ Bible study group inaugurated the renovated fellowship hall on October 4.**

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## Trunk or Treat

By Karen Jaime



**Sunday, October 29**

**4:30-6:00pm**

**Mission Campus**

Free event for the young and young-at-heart! Invite your neighbors and friends to join us!

- Balloon artist
- Mission firetruck and police car
- Family-friendly service project
- Cookie walk

- Popcorn buffet
- Games and goodies
- Bring canned goods to fill a trunk for Rushton Elementary Food Pantry

Much help is needed to make this a successful event in our community. Volunteer to help at [tlcms.org](http://tlcms.org) or see the displays at either campus to sign up to decorate a trunk, donate goodies/cookies, or volunteer in other ways.

Items can be dropped off early at either campus or at Trunk-or-Treat. Contact Karen Jaime, [kajaime29@gmail.com](mailto:kajaime29@gmail.com), for more info.

In addition, Trinity Youth will hold a dinner and “Octoberfest”-style Root Beer Garden as a fundraiser for youth events and trips in conjunction with Trunk-or-Treat. Enjoy dinner and a root beer float along with fellowship!

## Service Project: Food Basket Assembly

By Pastor Ben Vineyard



**October 29, 4:30 - 6pm**  
**During Trunk or Treat**  
**Mission Campus Foyer**

Come out for all of the fun! Come join Pastor Ben’s Life Together Group as they host an assembly of food baskets containing staple food items for immigrant and refugee

families in need. All ages are welcome! Whether you want to spend a little time or a lot, your help is appreciated. After our baskets are assembled, we will deliver them to Mission Adelante in KCK for distribution to local families through their resource

center. If you would like to learn more about Mission Adelante, follow this link to view a short video clip: <http://www.missionadelante.org/media>. Thanks in advance for your caring hearts and helpful hands!

## Hurricane Disaster Relief Opportunity

By Pastor Ben Vineyard



We’ve all heard the news and seen the pictures of disaster upon disaster, from Texas to Florida to Puerto Rico. We’ve prayed as a church. We’ve collected relief funds. And now I’m wondering if you would consider joining others at Trinity on a short mission trip to Texas to help with relief and recovery efforts

there. Right now there are no known dates or activities. The recovery efforts are still too new. But I (Pastor Ben) would like to know if you are interested in a possible trip to Texas. (Texas would be the easiest place to get to.) Fill out a form if you are interested. A link to the form can be

found at [tlcms.org](http://tlcms.org).

In time, we’ll collect more info, dates, and tasks. We’ll then see if you can make it work. For now, just let me know if you are interested.

## All Saints' Potluck

By Tom Perry

**Sunday, November 5**  
**12:15pm**  
**Mission Campus**  
**Fellowship Hall**

Mark your calendars now for the annual All Saints' Potluck dinner. We will be celebrating many things. We will give a nod to the 500th anniversary of Luther nailing his 95 theses, thank

many of our volunteers and those who help at worship services, remember those who have died the past twelve months, and seal a new time capsule. The entree is provided and we ask that you bring a side dish to share. The new fellowship hall will be finished and we will

celebrate in the new facility. Last year 170 members enjoyed the afternoon. Sign up in the foyer at each campus so we know how many to expect. It should be a great time!



## Time Capsule

By Tom Perry

What should go into a new time capsule? Leo Schlesselman and Joel Shifflett are working on the plans to construct a display case for the items taken out of the time capsule we opened last November. They are also

going to create a new time capsule to be displayed and opened sometime in the future. We need your help. We want to know what you think should be included in the new time capsule and the future date you think it should be

opened. Since we will display the new capsule and not bury it, the size is not as limiting a factor (within reason). We plan to reveal the case and seal the new capsule at this year's All Saints' Day potluck. Send your ideas to [Tom@tlcms.org](mailto:Tom@tlcms.org).



## New Shawnee Campus Worship Leader

By Pastor Phil Cook

It is with great joy that we announce the hiring of a new—permanent—worship leader for the Shawnee campus. Brandon Draper has been leading worship at the Shawnee campus on an interim basis for the last eight months, and has been doing an outstanding job. With the revision of our call process to look for a full-time youth family minister (without music

responsibilities), we were able to hire Brandon Draper as our worship leader on a permanent basis. In addition to leading worship at the Shawnee campus, Brandon teaches drums at the University of Kansas, and leads Drum Safari, an interactive children's program about drumming. We are thrilled to have Brandon as a permanent member of our team!



## Junior Youth Board Game Night

By Erin Hoestje



**October 15**  
**7:45 to 9:30pm**  
**Shawnee Campus**

Mark your calendars! The Junior Youth will be having a Board Game Night on

October 15th from 7:45pm to 9:30pm at the Shawnee Campus (following Shawnee Confirmation). Youth from both campuses are welcome! Feel free to

invite your friends for board games, snacks, and a good time! For more information contact Erin Hoestje at [erin.hoestje@hotmail.com](mailto:erin.hoestje@hotmail.com) or 785-383-9881.

## FellowShipmates BBQ and Pumpkin Carving

By Janai Tisdale



**October 26**  
**6:30pm**  
**Mission Campus**

If you are a young adult, age 18-30, whether single, a couple, or married, come and join the FellowShipmates group for

an evening of barbeque and pumpkin carving. Bring a side dish to share for the barbeque and a pumpkin and carving tools. Please RSVP to Janai Tisdale at [naiclark13@gmail.com](mailto:naiclark13@gmail.com).



## Tap Your Toes! The Importance of Movement

By Tom Perry



**by Dr. Eric P. Justin**  
**Friday, October 20, 2pm,**  
**Mission Campus**

**Tap your toes!**  
**Wiggle your nose!**  
**Dance around the room!**

Please join us at 2pm at Trinity's Mission campus for an entertaining and

fascinating presentation of the importance of movement in our lives. Dr. Eric P. Justin has studied and researched how movement can have a huge positive effect on how we live our lives, as well as our outlook on life. He will talk about the scientific aspects of movement and show how they intertwine with the world of faith. The amount of movement is less

important than moving as you are able. Dr. Justin presents in an informal way and is happy to answer questions. This presentation is offered by Trinity Lutheran Church Senior Ministry. It will cover principles that are of benefit to all people regardless of age. Everyone in our community is welcome.

# 50+ Oktoberfest Celebration

By Iva Schlatter and Barb Littell

**October 11**

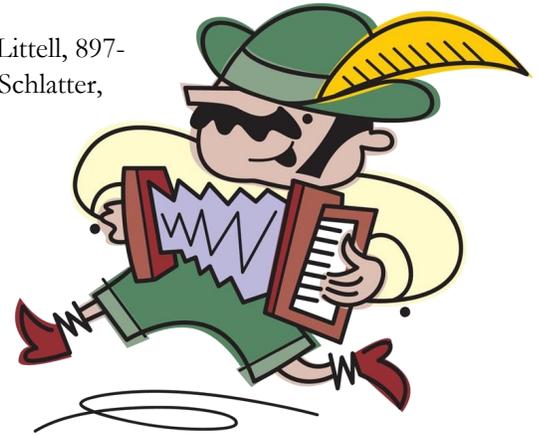
**11:30am**

**Mission Campus**

50+ is hosting their annual Oktoberfest on October 11 at 11:30am in the fellowship hall following the 10:15 Bible study. Your mouth will water for the

traditional German meal of brats, sauerkraut, German potato salad, and apple crisp with ice cream. Cost is \$5 per person. Members of both campuses are invited and encouraged to come! Please RSVP at the Welcome Center at the Mission campus or by

calling Barb Littell, 897-2292, or Iva Schlatter, 333-0981.



# 50+ Kicks Off Season with Meet and Greet

By Yvonne Tickle and Gretchen Hollman

50+ kicked off their new season with a Meet and Greet event on September 13. 50+ is a ministry open to any senior adult whether they are a member of Trinity or not. We offer fellowship, friendship, Bible Study, activities,

prayer support and concern for others. The normal season is from September through April. If you are interested or have questions, call Barb Littell, 897-2292, or Iva Schlatter, 333-0981, for details.



## What did you say?

By Pastor Mark Schulz



What did  
You say?

One of the helpful discussions that came out of the Family Life Ministry listening sessions was a desire to improve both internal and external communication at Trinity. The Executive Committee

is appointing a communications task force that will meet several times between now and Thanksgiving to review our communication strategy and suggest improvements. If you have a particular

interest or expertise in this area, please contact Pastor Mark at [mark@tlcms.org](mailto:mark@tlcms.org) as soon as possible. We hope to get started in a few weeks.

## Nominations for Youth Family Minister

By Pastor Phil Cook



Following the approval of the Youth Family Minister position at the Congregational Assembly on September 17, we are now accepting nominations. To nominate someone, please fill out a nomination form available at [tlcms.org](http://tlcms.org) or pick up a hard copy nomination form at the welcome center at each campus.

**Nominations are due by October 8.** A ministry description is also available in each location.

### Position Overview

This person will possess strong skills in working with middle school youth, high school youth and their families. This person should also be familiar with the Sustainable Youth Ministry model and possess the ability to implement this model. Strong leadership skills, organizational skills, communication skills, attention to details, and ability to build relationships with others is a must. This person will work closely

with the Children Family Minister (CFM) to ensure ministry continuity across ages. They will be an integral part of the Growing Core ministry at Trinity. The YFM will be the first chair staff person for youth programs and activities and work as second chair alongside the CFM in Children Family Ministry areas. The YFM will office at the Shawnee campus, but will serve in ministry at both campuses.

## Reformation 500 Hymn Festival and DVD

By Ben Spalding

**October 15, 4pm and 7pm, Helzberg Hall at Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts**

### DVD

We have hired a professional production company to create a wonderful DVD of the Hymn Festival. The cost is \$25 and a signup sheet is at

each campus. We need to get 200 preorders to make the DVD project viable.

### Updated Choir Information

I have some exciting news to share! The festival choir for the Reformation Hymn Festival has grown far beyond our expectations and therefore Trinity is no longer able to accommodate

the rehearsal needs.

The following rehearsals now take place at **Bethany Lutheran Church**, 9101 Lamar Ave, Overland Park, KS 66207.

Choir Rehearsal: Sunday, October 8, 2:30-5pm

Choir and Brass Rehearsal: Saturday, October 14, 2-5pm



## Shawnee Campus Saturday Work Day

By Chris Cox

Saturday, October 21  
8am to Noon

Join us at the Shawnee campus for some much-needed sprucing up inside and outside of the building. Scheduled projects include:

- Landscape cleanup
- Preschool playground repairs (fences and equipment)
- Trimming of trees and bushes
- Brush removal
- Tree and shrub planting and mulching
- Powerwash and stain the benches and playground equipment
- Touch-up paint the sanctuary
- General campus cleaning

The more people that can help, the merrier!



## Listening to You

By Pastor Mark Schulz

One of the primary responsibilities of Trinity's Executive Committee is listening to you, the members of our "Community Following Jesus." This happens in a variety of ways, both through organized events where input is sought as well as informally in personal conversation.

Another way this happens is when one or more community members attends an Executive Committee meeting. Please know that there is an open invitation for you to do so. It would be helpful for you to contact President Cheri Wright beforehand.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS



## LWML Coffee and Tea Sale

By Elfriede Mobling

LWML coffee and tea sale will be held at the Mission campus between worship services on Sunday, October 8. Be sure to stop by the table to select from the wide variety of flavors available. Selected varieties

are available for purchase in the gift shop between sale dates.

The large purple and white mite box will be available on the coffee table to deposit your loose change.

One of the many mission projects being supported by your donation is the Mercy House for Women and Children. Learn more about this project from the poster behind the mite box. Thank you for your support!



## Welcome Our New Members!

*By Barb Estes*



### Jeff and Deb Bessette, Jacob, Ethan, and Ben

The Bessettes are joining Trinity by transfer. Jeff was born and raised in Topeka, Kansas, and attended Kansas State University to earn his accounting degree. He also has a MBA from Washburn University. Jeff is a purchasing manager at Black & Veatch. His interests include being a basketball referee, fantasy football, and golf. He is a Chiefs' season ticket holder and likes coupons and deals. Deb was born in Orange, California, and has a Bachelor of Fine Arts in graphic design from California State University. She is self-employed as a graphic designer. She enjoys singing, art, and travel. Jacob, Ethan, and Ben were born in Overland Park. They attend Blue Valley Northwest. Jacob is a Junior and enjoys golf, basketball, and fantasy football. Ethan and Ben are freshmen. Ethan enjoys basketball, track, and music. Ben's interests include golf, a mowing business, and fishing. They have a dog named Wilson.



### James and Jenny Daniel

James and Jenny are joining Trinity by transfer. James was born in Alexandria, Virginia. He attended Avila University where he earned his accounting degree (BSBA). James is an accountant with the L J Group. Jenny attended Central Missouri State University. She is a teacher for the Park Hill School District.



### Howard and Diane Kremer, Emerson and Easton

The Kremer family is joining Trinity by transfer. Howard grew up in Springfield, Missouri. He earned a M.D. from UMKC School of Medicine, and works as a general surgeon for University Physicians Associates at Truman Medical Center. Howard enjoys hunting, travel, reading, and gardening. Diane was born in Royal Oak, Michigan, and grew up in Warren, Michigan. She has a BS in accounting from UMKC. Although a CPA by training, she is currently a stay-at-home mom. Included in her hobbies and interests are traveling, cooking, craft projects, watching University of Michigan football, and walking outdoors. Emerson and Easton attend Kansas City Christian School. Emerson is in the eighth grade and Easton the fourth grade. Emerson enjoys piano, art, and outdoor activities, and Easton enjoys baking and cooking, piano, reading, and art. The Kremers have a Labradoodle named Piper and a Welsh terrier named Liberty.



### Matt and Laurie Price, and Cameron

Matt is joining Trinity by profession of faith and Laurie is joining by transfer. Matt was born in Greensboro, North Carolina. He attended Wake Forest earning a B.S. in business management. Matt is a MLB Scout for the KC Royals. When not scouting, Matt enjoys travel, cooking, and running. Laurie was born in Osmond, Nebraska. She attended Wayne State College and Griffith University in Australia. She teaches for the Liberty Public School District. Cameron was born in Atlanta, Georgia. He is a second-grader at Valley Park Elementary and enjoys sports, reading, and drawing.

### **Nate and Tara Spilker, and Link**

The Spilkers are joining Trinity by transfer. Nate was born in Urbana, Illinois. He grew up in Blue Springs, Missouri. Nate attended the University of Missouri where he received a degree in mechanical engineering. He is employed at Argus Consulting as a mechanical engineer. Nate enjoys gardening and games. Tara was born in Kansas City, Missouri, and grew up in Grain Valley, Missouri. She attended the University of Missouri earning a BA in Business Management. She is employed as an account executive at L'Oreal USA. Tara enjoys gardening, painting, and football. Link was born in Overland Park and recently celebrated his second birthday. The Spilkers have two dogs, Frank and Spot, and two cats, Zelda and L'Oreal.



### **Jere Stuckey**

Jere is joining Trinity by transfer. Jere was born in Little Rock, Arkansas. She received a Bachelor of Music Education degree from the University of Arkansas. Since she has retired she enjoys traveling, playing the organ and piano, and spending time with her five children and eleven grandchildren.



### **John Towse**

John is joining Trinity by profession of faith. He was born in Kansas City, Missouri, and received his Bachelor of Science degree from Kansas State University. John works in sales for Bank of America. He lives in Westwood, Kansas, with his wife, Orn, and his daughter, Kai. His interests include travel, wine, agriculture, and friends and family.



### **Karey Troxel**

Karey is joining Trinity by adult confirmation. Karey was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and grew up in McCook, Nebraska. She received a bachelor's degree from the University of Northern Colorado and an Early Childhood Special Education Endorsement from the University of Kansas. Karey is employed by the Piper School District as an Early Childhood Special Education teacher. She loves spending time with her husband, Bill, and her four-year-old daughter, Ashlynn. She also enjoys watching the Royals, baking, and visiting Colorado. The Troxels have a cat named Ziggy.



### **Andrew and Mary Young**

Andrew and Mary are joining Trinity by transfer. Andrew was born and raised in Kansas City. He attended the University of Kansas. Andrew is employed by Burd and Fletcher. He enjoys video games and watching sports. Mary was born and raised in Houston, Texas. She also attended the University of Kansas. Mary is an accountant for Watco Companies. Her interests include reading, traveling, and walking. The Youngs have orange cats.



## Stewardship Corner

By Larry Conrad



Your giving through August continues to be in line with our new increased budget. Expenses continue to be slightly under budget. We thank you for your generosity in supporting the ministries of Trinity. As we look to our year ahead, we have some exciting opportunities and likely a few challenges:

- The congregation approved revising our Call and continuing the search for a Youth Family Minister. We are

searching for candidates, and accepting nominations until October 8. Visit [tlcms.org](http://tlcms.org) to submit a nomination.

- Listening to our members to understand the direction necessary to strengthen our children/youth family ministry.
- Beginning our journey into a missional communities model of outreach.
- Continuing development of spiritual enhancement

of "Life Together."

- Finishing up our improvements to upgrade the Fellowship Hall at the Mission campus.

We know with God's help, we can do all things. Please prayerfully consider how God has blessed and enriched your lives. Thank you for your continued generosity at Trinity, as we continue to be "A Community Following Jesus."

## Seeking Childcare Providers

By Jo Ann Emerson



The Shawnee campus is currently seeking applicants for Childcare providers in the nursery on Sunday mornings and for church events through the year. If

you love children, are energetic, and have experience meeting the needs of little ones, please share your talents with us! This is a paid position and

scheduling is flexible and made on an as-needed basis. Contact Jo Ann Emerson for more information. Call 913-563-5280 or email [joann@tlcms.org](mailto:joann@tlcms.org).

## Seeking Wednesday Morning Childcare Providers

By Jo Ann Emerson



The Wednesday morning Ladies' Bible Class at Shawnee is in need of a childcare provider. This is the perfect position for you if:

- You're available 9:15-11:15 am on Wednesday

mornings throughout the school year

- You love playing with kids
- You would like to support women as they learn more about God!

This is a paid position that can begin as early as mid-October. For more information, or to apply, please contact Jo Ann Emerson at 913-563-5280 or [joann@tlcms.org](mailto:joann@tlcms.org).

## Fellowship Hall Renovation (continued)

project, and settled on a budget of \$94,500. Demolition began on July 15, 2017, with a construction completion date of September 30, 2017.

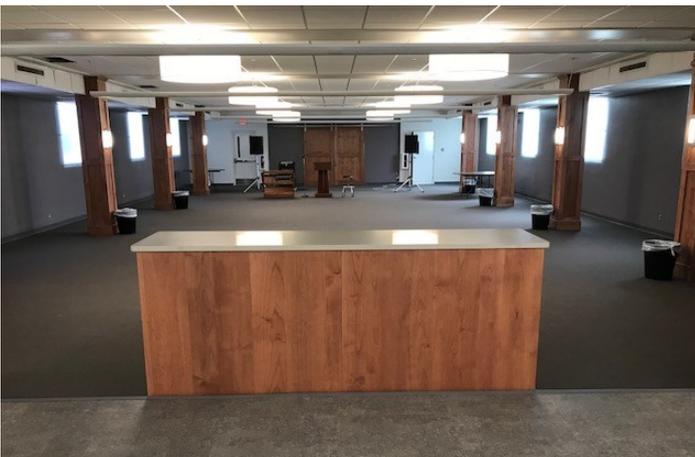
We are pleased to announce that the remodel is 99% complete, and under budget. We began using the renovated space on October 4. There are several punch-list items left to complete that will be addressed in the next few weeks: adjusting the height of ceiling lighting, securing strip lighting behind a glass panel, and some paint touchup.

We gratefully thank the Trinity Lutheran Foundation for their financial support for the project. The Parks Fund, dedicated to church facility improvements, helped with about two-thirds of the project cost. The Foundation exists because former members had the

foresight to include the Foundation and the church in their estate planning. This project is the beneficiary of those members who included the Foundation/Church in their estate planning. Please consider including the Foundation in your estate planning.

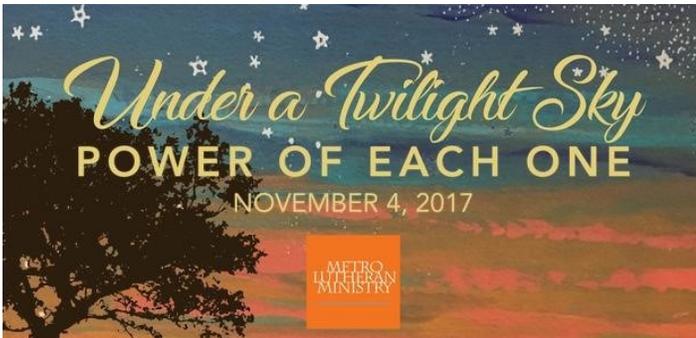
A big thank you to Buffy and Phil on the interior design, architectural drawings, materials selection, and contractor contacts; Rex Garrelts who acted as project lead; the Property Committee that served as project development support; and over fifteen volunteer members that helped during demolition and final clean-up.

To God be the glory that this space will touch our community as we continue our journey of following Jesus.



## MLM Power of One

By Metro Lutheran Ministry



Metro Lutheran Ministry's Power of Each One fundraising dinner is Saturday, November 4th at the Ritz Charles in Overland Park. Learn more about how MLM serves those in need while enjoying fellowship with over 700 MLM volunteers, supporters, and friends. The

gala is MLM's largest fundraising event of the year. Enjoy an elegant evening of dining and entertainment while celebrating and supporting MLM ministries. Contact Susan Schram 913-492-5334; or [susanwschram@gmail.com](mailto:susanwschram@gmail.com) to reserve your seat by

## Kirchentag Reformation Celebration at Bethany Lutheran Church

By Donna Petersen



**Friday—Sunday**  
**October 27-29**  
**Overland Park and**  
**Stilwell Campuses**

Travel back in time to 1517 where royalty and Christian monks lived and breathed. Come see as we transform our church to the time period where life and faith were completely

reformatted by a monk named Martin Luther. Join us as we celebrate 500 years of the good news of salvation by grace alone through faith alone. Activities include:

- Werner's German food truck
- Pumpkin catapult
- Hymn sing
- Martin Luther story by firelight
- Church service and prayer
- Music groups

- Speakers
- Service projects
- Brewery tours
- School auction
- Louisberg donut and cider
- Alpen Spielers polka band
- Bratwurst toss
- Beer
- German meal
- Archery and jousting
- 16th century games

For a full itinerary and details about all the events, visit [tlcms.org](http://tlcms.org).



*Memory Verse: Philippians 3:8a*

*I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.*

## Youth and Family Serve Day

By Amy Viets, Metro Lutheran Ministry

**Saturday, October 7**  
**9am-noon**

**Grace Homes**  
**444 N. 18th Street**  
**Kansas City, Kansas**

Grab your work gloves and meet us at Grace Homes for a morning of fellowship and working together:

- Planting
- Spreading mulch

- Garden weeding and maintenance
- Neighborhood clean-up

Grace Homes is the permanent residence of fifteen individuals who were once chronically homeless. As part of Metro Lutheran Ministry's permanent supportive housing program, Grace Homes

provides each resident with a fully-furnished one-bedroom apartment and wrap-around support services from MLM and other service providers. Beautifying Grace's yard and surrounding neighborhood is just one way you can help make the residents feel like a valuable part of the community. It's



a great project for families, youth, or church groups. Space is limited so sign up today! Questions? Contact Amy Viets, amyviets@mlmkc.org.

## Bountiful Blessings Gift and Craft Festival

By Jo Ann Emerson

**November 18**  
**Bethany Lutheran Church**

**9101 Lamar Avenue**  
**Overland Park, KS**

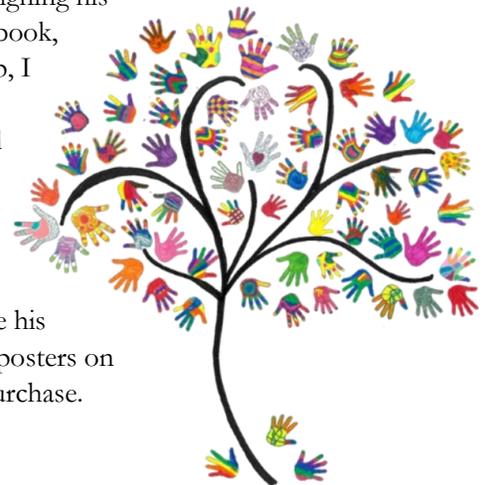
**Gift and Craft Fair**  
**9am-3pm**

The Craft Fair is sponsored by the eighth grade classes from Christ Lutheran School and Bethany Lutheran School, with proceeds going to their

class trips. It is held at Bethany Lutheran Church and School, 9101 Lamar Avenue, Overland Park, KS. Over 50 vendors will be open for early Christmas shopping from 9am – 3pm. Live entertainment and concessions will be featured, too! For vendor booth information, contact Christ Lutheran School, 913 -754-5888.

**Book Signing**  
**10am – noon**

Additionally, Mr. Greg Hardin, author and illustrator will be signing his newest children's book, "When I Grow Up, I Want To Be A K-State Wildcat" and "When I Grow Up, I Want To Be A Jayhawk" from 10am – noon. He will have his book and various posters on hand for you to purchase.



## Seminar for Families of Prodigals

**Saturday, October 14,**  
**2017: 9am – 3pm**  
**Our Saviour Lutheran Church, 4153 Rainbow Blvd., Kansas City, KS**

RSVP: to the church office 913-236-6228 or through [tlcms.org](http://tlcms.org)

When children have left the church and faith in Jesus Christ, parents that are left behind often find themselves feeling isolated and alone. We invite you to begin the journey of discovery together with us

in a two-day retreat with other like-minded parents, as we explore the notion that we might all share similar stories and that maybe we are really not alone on this road.



**Families of Prodigals**

## *Luther Movie at Beautiful Savior*

*By Metro Lutheran Ministry*



**Friday, October 27 at 6:30pm and Saturday, October 28 at 2:30pm**

Celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation by attending a showing of the new Martin Luther film at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 13145 South Blackbob Road, Olathe, KS 66062. This special screening is the perfect outreach opportunity... a chance to invite friends and neighbors to an event in a community setting. This entertaining new film follows the great adventure story of Martin Luther's life, packed with political intrigue, kidnappings, and life-or-death showdowns. At the same time, it's a

story about the most important questions of life, including "Who am I?" "What is my purpose" and "How do I get right with God?" This is the first time in more than 60 years that Lutherans have made a feature-length film about Martin Luther and the Reformation. Filmed in historic locations across Europe, this movie brings Luther's story to life with exquisite attention to detail. It's a chance to strengthen your faith by revisiting the birth of Protestant Reformation, and to share that experience with others.

Admission is FREE, but you must reserve tickets in advance. A free-will offering will be collected for

the Kansas District Lutheran Laymen's League annual district project. The Kansas LLL annually provides scholarships for future church workers (teachers and seminarians). Popcorn will be provided. Drinks, and other treats will be available for purchase (Concession proceeds will benefit the LWML Mites project).

Tickets can be reserved at a special website set up for the screening: <http://bit.ly/2x91mAw>. If you would rather not reserve tickets online, you can reserve tickets by contacting Fred Gruhn, 913-209-2785.

## *Hollis Renewal Center Seeks Artisans*

*By Erin Tieman*



Hollis Renewal Center is still looking for a few talented artisans to exhibit and sell their wares at the 8th Annual Hollis Winter Art Fair, December 2 & 3, 2017. We are particularly interested in jewelry artists, but will consider all mediums. Visit <http://www.holliscenter.org/hollis>

-winter-art-fair.html for complete information and an application. The application deadline is October 15, 2017.

Questions? Contact us at 913-441-0451 or [info@holliscenter.org](mailto:info@holliscenter.org).

# Therefore encourage one another...

1 Thessalonians 5:11 ESV

## Birthdays



- October 11** – Denise Pearce
- October 12** – Tyler Brandon, Marsha Fassold, Eloise Johnson, Jamie Miles
- October 13** – Stephanie Villarreal, Randi Weber, Cheri Wright, Heidi Zarda
- October 14** – Dawn Hargis, Andrew Moore
- October 15** – Patrick McEvoy, Dave Rothe, Mariner Schram, Gus Stitz, Grace Theiss
- October 16** – David Dautenhahn, Tony Latas
- October 17** – Jordan Haase, Eli Hoestje, Mike Kimball, Kim Zier
- October 18** – Rod Cahoy, Jordan Dempsey, John Nesselrode, Dave Olson, Zella Phelps, Darlo Reese
- October 19** – Elaine Fleenor
- October 20** – Shannon Blunt, Stacy Ford, Lee Glasnapp, Josh Pasley
- October 21** – Clark Jahnke, Grey Prothe, Sofia Stenstrom, Marty Windler
- October 22** – Anthony Rigolizzo, Mark Savageau, Dianna Sutton
- October 23** – Erin Anderson, Evan Cook, Greta Ganske, Brandi Hendrich
- October 24** – Fay Nassiripour, Anna Scarborough, Owen Vincent

## Prayers



### Births

- Sloane Guerry, daughter of Mike and Laine
- Phil and Buffy Rishel's baby boy
- Chris and Kiki Vetter's newborn triplets

### Retirement Facility/Homebound

- Rita Bartlett, *Good Samaritan*
- Betty Becker, *Park Meadows*
- Norma Brock, *at home*
- Ray Buckley, *Healthcare Resort of Shawnee Mission*
- Phyllis Corthon, *Victory Hills*
- Ted Dahl, *at home*
- Conrad Fassold, *Lakeview Village*
- Allene Gantz, *Addington Place*
- Ona Jean Harvey, *at home*
- Lois Haubein, *Overland Park Place*
- Phyllis Henderson, *at home*
- Lois Klausen, *Delmar Gardens of OP*
- Jean Klemp, *McCrites Plaza Asst. Living*
- Ruth Kroenke, *at home*
- Bob Mann, *Vintage Park, Gardner*
- Betty Peppers, *Park Meadows*
- Garry and Joanne Schottman, *at home*
- Jerry and Mary Ellen Stephenson, *at Santa Marta*
- Jeanne Stevenson, *Kingswood*
- Helen Wendlandt, *at home*
- George Zschoche, *at home*

### Member Prayers-Mission

- Bob Bonn
- Tom Dempsey
- Ruth Hanusch
- Quintyn Hendrich
- Gretchen and Bob Hollman
- Clay Miller
- Karen Phipps
- Marty Quick
- Don Unger

### Member Prayers-Shawnee

- Allan and Patt Alft

## Anniversaries



- Dale & Marnie Hurt.....October 12 (21st)
- Shaun & Gwenda Hawk.....October 17 (8th)
- Paul & Kelsey Scheetz .....October 17 (2nd)
- Mike & Betsy Kimball .....October 19 (15th)
- Jeff & Debbie Unger.....October 19 (21st)
- Sean & Valarie McNeely.....October 20 (16th)
- Don & Pat Roney.....October 21 (50th)
- Bob & June Bonn.....October 22 (62nd)
- Rodney & T.J. Wichtendahl.....October 22 (1st)

Anniversaries and birthdays are listed from October 11-24. If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please contact the church office.

## MLM Christmas Store Volunteers Needed

By Metro Lutheran Ministry



As we move into the end of the summer, Metro Lutheran Ministry staff and volunteers are busy preparing for the 2017 Christmas Store! With your help, MLM will serve over 850 families at this special event. New this year, registration will take place at MLM throughout the month of October. We hope this change will allow us to reach even more people and streamline the process for our regular clients.

Before your holiday calendar fills, please consider being a part of one of the activities below:

### Christmas Store Set-up

When: Sunday, December 3 – Tuesday, December 5

Where: Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1700 Westport RD, Kansas City, MO 64109

What: Receive warehouse deliveries and set up the store.

Who: Organizational experts, Christmas Store veterans, and adults/older youth to help carry boxes

### Christmas Store Elves (most needed!)

When: Wednesday, December 6 – Saturday, December 9

Where: Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1700 Westport RD, Kansas City, MO 64109

What: Walk through the store with guests and help them shop, assist with other Christmas Store needs.

Who: Friendly, joyful people of all ages. Some carrying may be required.

*For additional information about signing up, please visit [tlcms.org](http://tlcms.org).*

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**The next deadline is October 17 at noon.**

### Mission Campus

5601 West 62nd Street, Mission, Kansas 66202

#### Saturday Evening

5:30pm Communion Service

#### Sunday Mornings

8:30am Family-focused Worship with Communion

9:45am Praise Service with Communion

9:45am Sunday School

11am Family-focused Worship with Communion

### Shawnee Campus

21320 Midland Drive, Shawnee, Kansas 66218

#### Sunday Mornings

8:30am Family-focused Worship with Communion

9:45am Sunday School

11am Family-focused Worship with Communion

### Nursery

A professionally staffed nursery for ages six months to three years is available during most worship services and Sunday School.