

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The psalmist invites us: "Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name" (Psalm 30:4, NRSV).

SMITHS GROVE SITE - Saturdays

*Meeting at First Christian Church
(427 College St, Smiths Grove, KY)*

Bible Class: 4:00 p.m.

WORSHIP: 5:00 p.m.

BOWLING GREEN SITE - Sundays

WORSHIP: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Ignite! & Bible Classes: 9:15 a.m.

TO OUR VISITORS: We are delighted that you have joined us today.

We pray that the service blesses you and invite you to worship with us again. If you are seeking a church family or would like to know more about Holy Trinity, please contact the Church Office at (270) 843-9595. We are here to serve you. Please use the attendance insert to provide your **Email, mailing address and phone number** so that we might extend a special welcome.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from the ushers
at the Bowling Green site.**

HOLY COMMUNION GUESTS

At Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, we believe and teach that Jesus has given His Church the Lord's Supper to grant us forgiveness and life, gifts received solely by faith in Jesus. St. Paul says, "Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgement on himself" (1 Corinthians 11:28-29, ESV).

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In personal examination, I freely and joyfully affirm:

- 1) That I have been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
- 2) That I believe in the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ as my only Savior and Redeemer;
- 3) That I remain in this baptismal faith and am not living in unrepentant sin, but desire to amend whatever is wrong in my life;
- 4) That I believe I receive in the Lord's Supper not only bread and wine, but also the true body and blood of Jesus (according to His words, "This is my body...This is my blood");
- 5) That I do not affirm the teachings of those churches which teach this is a merely symbolic meal;
- 6) That I have received basic instruction regarding the Lord's Supper and am in agreement with this congregation's teaching and practice.

If you affirm these statements truthfully, we invite you to share in this Holy Communion. If you have a desire to participate in this meal but have not received baptism nor instruction, we invite you to speak with the pastor, who will be happy to work with you toward an appropriate reception of Christ's holy meal in our midst.

TO THE MEMBERS AND VISITORS OF HOLY TRINITY: The presence of children is a gift to the church and they are a reminder that our church is growing. Please welcome all children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents. Some tips for parents/guardians of children in church:

- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome.
- Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads.
- Quietly explain the parts of the service and the actions of the pastor, deacons, readers, acolytes, choir, etc.
- Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.
- If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to Me."

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- Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

WORSHIP BAGS for our young worshipers are located in the Narthex at the Bowling Green site. Please use these as needed during worship.

NURSERY AND CRY ROOM: If necessary, a nursery and cry room are available to your children. The nursery is located in the old annex area. Exit the sanctuary and follow the hallway to the left, then turn at the first hallway to the right. The nursery is no longer staffed, therefore parents may use the room as needed but must remain with their children. The nursing/cry room is located in the hallway outside the sanctuary (nearest to the Nursery room hallway). If you have any questions regarding the nursery, please contact Laurie Seavey at 270-991-1172.

THE FOURTH WEEKEND AFTER PENTECOST JULY 5 & JULY 6, 2025

*Lord, your gift of freedom through Christ is a rich treasure.
As we celebrate independence, help us use
our freedom to love our neighbors as ourselves.*

PLEASE REMEMBER: **Silence/Turn Off your cell phone** as you come into the Sanctuary to worship the Lord. While you are silencing your phone, we encourage you to 'check in' on Facebook that you are with us today. Thank you.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

Please stand for
THE OPENING HYMN

“Cornerstone”
(see insert)

THE INVOCATION

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Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen. *Matthew 28:19b [18:20]*

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *1 John 1:8 & 9*

(Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.)

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
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Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *John 20:19-23*

People: **Amen.**

INTROIT/PSALM

Psalm 19:2, 4-6; antiphon: Psalm 19:1

Liturgist: The heavens declare the glory of God,
People: **and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.**

Liturgist: Day to day pours out speech,
People: **and night to night reveals knowledge.**

Liturgist: Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.
People: **In them he has set a tent for the sun,**

Liturgist: which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,
People: **and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.**

Liturgist: Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them,
People: **and there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

Liturgist: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
People: **and to the Holy Spirit;**

Liturgist: as it was in the beginning,
People: **is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Liturgist: The heavens declare the glory of God,
People: **and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.**

"Before You, Lord, We Bow"

Francis Scott Key & John Darwall

**1. Before You, Lord, we bow,
Our God who reigns above
And rules the world below,
Boundless in pow'r and love.
Our thanks we bring
In joy and praise,
Our hearts we raise
To You, our King!**

**4. Earth, hear your Maker's voice;
Your great Redeemer own;
Believe, obey, rejoice,
And worship Him alone.
Cast down your pride,
Your sin deplore,
And bow before
The Crucified.**

THE COLLECT

Liturgist: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

People: And with your spirit.

Liturgist: Let us pray. Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 66:10-14

Reader: The Old Testament Reading is from the 66th chapter of Isaiah.

¹⁰ “Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;

rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her;

¹¹ that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;

that you may drink deeply with delight
from her glorious abundance.”

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¹² For thus says the LORD:

“Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river,
and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip,
and bounced upon her knees.

¹³ As one whom his mother comforts,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

¹⁴ You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bones shall flourish like the grass;
and the hand of the LORD shall be known to his servants,
and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

THE EPISTLE READING

Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18

Reader: The Epistle Reading is from the 6th chapter
of Galatians.

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ² Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴ But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵ For each will have to bear his own load.

⁶ Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸ For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹ And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

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¹⁴ But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵ For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. ¹⁶ And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

¹⁷ From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

¹⁸ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Please stand for

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-20

Reader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10th chapter.

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. ² And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' ⁶ And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. ⁷ And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹ Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say,

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¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹² I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

¹³ "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴ But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵ And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

¹⁶ "The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" ¹⁸ And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

THE NICENE CREED

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All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

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and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Press

THE SERMON HYMN

L.S.B. #826

"Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying"

THE SERMON

Pastor Press

"Pray for Laborers to Bring in the Harvest"

Text: Luke 10:1-12

THE GATHERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

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**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
And uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.**

Psalm 51:10-12

THE PRAYERS

Please continue to pray for the people listed on the bulletin insert, as well as for their families and friends.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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THE PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *Colossians 3:1*

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *Psalms 136*

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

THE SANCTUS (Sung to the tune of L.S.B. #507 "Holy, Holy, Holy")

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Day and night we join to praise Your love and majesty.
You alone are holy, worthy, and righteous.
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

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Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
We rejoice to join the hymns of earth and sky and sea.
Generations praise You, with saints and angels.
Holy and bless'd through all eternity.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19 & 20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
People: Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

(Sung to the tune of L.S.B. #702 "My Faith Looks Up To Thee")

O Lamb of God, we pray
Take all our sins away - our faith increase.
Have mercy on us all, strengthen us when we fall,
Answer our fervent call and grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

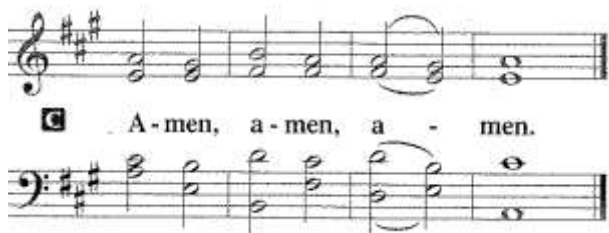
THE DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION *(Amen response is sung by all.)*



THE CLOSING HYMN

L.S.B. #917

“Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”

THE CLOSING STATEMENT

Pastor: Go now into your mission field.
People: **We go with Jesus and with joy.**

THE POSTLUDE

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+ + OUR WORSHIP CONTINUES IN OUR DAILY SERVICE + +

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ADULT CLASS - Smiths Grove site

Pastor Press' Bible Study: "Fruitful Impact of Gospel Ministry"

EDUCATION CLASSES – Bowling Green site

ABLAZE:

Ablaze is a place where students in grades 6th-12th can engage in deep conversations and grow in their relationship with God.
Join us on Sundays at 9:15am in EO-201 upstairs.

ADULT CLASSES:

Pastor Press' Bible Study: "Fruitful Impact of Gospel Ministry"

OUR CHURCH ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

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| BG site: | The Church at Study | 4 | The Church at Worship | 164 |
| SG site: | The Church at Study | 9 | The Church at Worship | 17 |
| TOTAL | | 13 | | 181 |

NOTE: There was no Bible Study except for Ablaze at Bowling Green on 6/29/25 due to the General Assembly meeting.

SERVING THIS WEEK – BG Site

| | <u>8:00 Service</u> | <u>10:30 Service</u> |
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| Greeters: | Craig & Jodi Praxl | Lynn & Carole Clark |
| Readers: | Laurie Seavey | Pam Schmaltz |
| Acolytes: | Huntley Moore | A.J. Simpson |
| A/V Assistants: | McKenzie Eversoll | Ayden Witherspoon |
| Altar Guild: | Sue Banister | Heather Rathert |
| | Janet Bryant | Marsha Holm |
| Communion Assts: | Bruce Borth | David Jurgens |
| PowerPoint Preparation: | Dawson Owens | |

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

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| Jul | 6 | Heather Jordan | 6 | Georgie Zirbel |
| | 7 | Amelia Britton | 7 | Bryn Unick |
| | 8 | Cliff Mitchell | 9 | Judy Owens |
| | 9 | George Merkle | 9 | Megan Zirbel |
| | 9 | Samantha White | 10 | Jennifer Merkle |
| | 12 | Raul Padilla | | |

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

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| Jul | 6 | Ron & LWanda Belek |
| | 8 | Bill & Sarah Hiskey |
| | 9 | Keven & Myrna Neff |
| | 9 | Daniel & Amber Rosbottom |
| | 11 | George & Jennifer Merkle |
| | 12 | Michael & Jaclyn Bryant |

Next week's scripture readings are:

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Leviticus 19:9-18

THE EPISTLE: Colossians 1:1-14

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 10:25-37

SERVING NEXT WEEK – BG Site

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| | <u>8:00 Service</u> | <u>10:30 Service</u> |
| Greeters: | Al & Laurie Seavey | Geneva Bentley |
| Readers: | Bart White | Heather Rathert |
| Acolytes: | Liam Payne | Sydney Davenport |
| A/V Assistants: | McKenzie Eversoll | A.J. Zirbel |
| Altar Guild: | Sue Banister | Heather Rathert |
| | Janet Bryant | Marsha Holm |
| Communion Assts: | Bruce Borth | David Jurgens |
| PowerPoint Preparation: | Sheryl Morris | |

PARISH NOTES

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to our worship service today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please submit announcements to the Church Office by Wednesdays by e-mailing, calling, or dropping a note in the offering plate on Saturdays or Sundays.

IN A MEDICAL FACILITY LAST WEEK WAS...Marilyn Titschinger. We pray the Great Physician will continue to bring her healing and strength.

FELLOWSHIP EVENT: Come join everyone for some SUMMER FUN at the BRANDT'S! This event is on Friday July 11 and will start at 4pm with a potluck supper at 6pm. There will be games, music (SoKY HeartStrings dulcimer group), food, and don't forget FUN. Sign up in the Narthex for some delicious dishes to complement the chicken and beverages being provided. The address for Peter and Cindy Brandt is 731 Martinsville Ford Rd/BG. For further details and directions, see the July newsletter or talk to Jackie Blindauer (920-207-9185).

CHILDREN'S/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

1. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** We are looking for volunteers to help with the 2025 Sunday School and youth Bible Studies and activities. If you are interested, please contact Sheryl Morris at 270-784-2781.
2. The **IGNITE** Sunday School program will be taking a break for July but will return August 10 for Sunday School Kickoff! Mark your calendars!!! All youth Sunday School programs will be attending the Kickoff at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. We need parents to register your child(ren) at the Kickoff. You're welcome to stay with them during the Sunday School hour or join the adult Bible study class.

HTLS NEWS

1. **NOW HIRING** for the 2025-2026 school year – an elementary teacher and a Preschool Director. These are full-time, salaried positions that also come with tuition discounts. We are also hiring preschool aides, an art teacher, a computer teacher, and a foreign language teacher. If interested, please contact the School Office.
2. **SUMMER CAMP** will be ending Friday, July 25.

ASSISTANCE REQUESTED: Church member Kay Payne is requesting a ride to and from church on Sundays. Kay was a faithful attendee of the 8:00am service until mobility issues limited her ability to come to church. She is missing her church family and feels disconnected, so this would be a very nice service someone could provide for her. She would prefer to attend the 8:00am service but will go to the 10:30am service if that's more convenient for the person volunteering to take her. Kay has a walker and/or wheelchair so the vehicle used would need to be able to accommodate one of those. The best way to contact her is via text at 270-938-3464. Kay's address is 1465 Mount Ayre Dr/BG.

SMITHS GROVE OUTREACH

Holy Trinity conducts worship at a second site, located in Smiths Grove (at First Christian Church, 427 College St., corner of 5th). Bible study takes place Saturday at 4:00pm, while worship is Saturday at 5:00pm. We pray that this effort enables more people to hear and respond to the Good News of Jesus' love. Thank you for your prayers and support.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

GREETERS: Each Sunday, Greeters have the first chance to meet visitors and chat with current members. This is a ministry opportunity that blesses you as much as the people you greet! If you would like to be a greeter, the qualifications are as follows: Able to extend a warm handshake of welcome; Able to smile; Able to assist newcomers in locating areas and services of Holy Trinity. The duties required are as follows: Being in the Narthex 10-15 minutes before services to greet members and visitors; Helping visitors get acquainted with Holy Trinity and where to go for Sunday School, the Nursery, etc. If you wish to join this important ministry, please contact Beth Markel.

POWERPOINT DURING CHURCH: We are looking for a few people to help with advancing the PowerPoint slides during the Sunday, 8:00am worship service. If you are interested in assisting with this opportunity, please contact Beth Markel.

TIPS FOR GARDENERS

“Love is to the heart what the summer is to the farmer’s year,” said evangelist Billy Graham. “It brings to harvest all the loveliest flowers of the soul.” Without summer, our gardens would disappoint, and without love, our hearts wouldn’t bloom.

The warmth of summer and love aren’t the only ingredients required for abundant physical and spiritual crops, however. Discernment and persistence ensure fruitful yields in both areas. “Unless we know the difference between flowers and weeds, we are not fit to take care of a garden,” advised Clyde Francis Lytle. “It is not enough to have truth planted in our minds. We must learn and labor to keep the ground clear of thorns and briars, follies and perversities, which have a wicked propensity to choke the word of life.”

SERMON NOTES



Our Ministry This Week

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| <i>Sunday</i> | 8:00am | Worship – C |
| <i>July 6</i> | 9:15am | Ablaze & Bible Classes |
| | 10:30am | Worship – C |
| | 12:30-2:30pm | Mara (Burmese) service (S/Ignite Rm) |

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| <i>Monday</i> | 8:00am-4:00pm | HTLS Summer Camp |
| <i>July 7</i> | | |

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| <i>Tuesday</i> | 8:00am-4:00pm | HTLS Summer Camp |
| <i>July 8</i> | | |

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| <i>Wednesday</i> | 8:00am-4:00pm | HTLS Summer Camp |
| <i>July 9</i> | 6:00pm | Fuel & Friends (EO-201) |

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| <i>Thursday</i> | 8:00am-4:00pm | HTLS Summer Camp |
| <i>July 10</i> | | |

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| <i>Friday</i> | 4:00pm | Summer Fun at the Brandts |
| <i>July 11</i> | | |

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| <i>Saturday</i> | 4:00pm | Smiths Grove Bible Study |
| <i>July 12</i> | 5:00pm | Smiths Grove Worship – C |

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| <i>Sunday</i> | 8:00am | Worship – C |
| <i>July 13</i> | 9:15am | Ablaze & Bible Classes |
| | 10:30am | Worship – C |
| | 12:30-2:30pm | Mara (Burmese) service (S/Ignite Rm) |
