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# May & June **Edition**



Spring Cleaning at the Church Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 8 am to ?

Everyone young and old is encouraged to help get the church ready for Summer.



Tuesday, May 27 at 6 pm at Heisey's Diner. Come and share in a special evening with your mother/daughter(s) and church family. Games and prizes. \$15 a person. Tickets see Gloria Speck or Judy Stickler.

**Community Prayer** Gathering Sunday, May 4 2 to 4 pm Memorial Lake State Park—middle pavilion Rev. Jim Lucas, guest leader





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Dear Friends in Christ,

During the forty days after his resurrection, Jesus would appear to his disciples and teach them about God's kingdom (Acts 1:3), and then he was taken up into heaven. Ten days later, on the Jewish Feast of Pentecost, the risen and ascended Jesus poured out the Holy Spirit upon his followers (Acts 2:33). We celebrate this event on Pentecost Sunday.

What does the coming of the Holy Spirit mean? A whole lot; but the most important, fundamental truth, is this: God dwells in us, and is making us into a suitable dwelling. God has always wanted to live with human beings, but since God is infinite goodness, our sin and rebellion made it impossible for God to stay among us. The pure, holy, good God cannot help but consume what is impure, unholy, evil (e.g., Exodus 33:3; Hebrews 12:29). How could God ever live with us? Since we couldn't come to God, and since God in God's infinite deity could not dwell with us, God devised a plan:

First, God the Son took on our flesh. Jesus, as fully God and fully human, could be a go-between, an ambassador, a mediator between God and humanity.

Second, Jesus was entirely obedient to God's Law, fulfilling the old covenant which Israel (and, earlier, Adam and Eve) had broken.

Third, Jesus, though innocent, took on the punishment and curses of the old covenant by dying for our sins. The covenant between God and people had specific consequences laid out for those who broke it. Jesus, as fully human, represented the "covenant breakers" deserving death, and as fully God, represented the injured party. The plaintiff takes the sentence of the guilty defendant. This ends the case. The law is fulfilled. Now the guilty can be forgiven.

Fourth, Jesus was raised from death and ascended to the right hand of the Father. Jesus never got rid of his body; now our humanity is taken into God.

Fifth, Jesus sends the Holy Spirit to dwell in his people. As the Son took on our flesh, now our flesh takes in the Spirit. God comes to dwell in us. God makes us his home.

But if God has come to dwell in us, are we making him at home? The place a king dwells is a palace, even if it's a bit dingy. And we're still dingy rather dilapidated, actually, fallen, having been broken by sin and demolished by the world. We might be a palace, but we're a fixer upper. God has moved in, and won't let us stay a seedy, ramshackle rattrap. God has moved in, and we're under construction. The Holy Spirit is making us holy.

There's an old joke that's probably inappropriate for the pastor to share:

Q: How do you make holy water?

A: Boil the hell out of it.

Jesus didn't die to get you out of hell; Jesus died to get the hell out of you. That's what the Holy Spirit is doing in us—making us more like heaven than hell.

Blessings,

Pastor Brian Rhea

In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit

EPHESIANS 2:22, ESV

## **May Birthdays**

Carol Kreiser	3
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Lynn Werner	4
Scott McFeaters	8
Colette Schindler	4 8 8
Jan Rhea	9
Pat Mengel	13
Kris Mengel	13
Kelly Dresch	14
Donovan Cowles	18
Sue Boltz	20
Toby Rhea	21
Pastor Brian	23



### June Birthdays

Sue Werner	2
Del Voight	7
Sheila Seaman	11
Blake Simniskis	15
Jim Light	15
Sandra Barnhart	25
Jeff Werner	28

# **May Anniversaries**

Scott & Kim McFeaters	1
Gary & Penny Keller	3
Larry & Gay Kreiser	19
Josh & Sam Simniskis	21



## June Anniversaries

Robert & Tessa Gibson	4
Kyle & Amy Kreiser	14
Kevin & Tammy Reichert	16
Matt & Meredith Rinehart	18
Bernie & Barb Rollman	21
Jim & Debra Hetrick	24

Don't see your birthday or anniversary listed, let the



Worship Services are live-streamed to our YouTube page, <a href="https://youtube.com/channel/UCvDYKLbY4J-B4wUfireEXbA">https://youtube.com/channel/UCvDYKLbY4J-B4wUfireEXbA</a> and uploaded to the church website.

### NL UMC FOOD DISTRIBUTION



Saturday, May 10 at 1 pm Saturday, June 14 at 1 pm While supplies last in the parking lot at Jonestown UMC.

# 2025

### RECOGNITION OF 2025 GRADUATES

Sunday, June 1st
10 am Worship Service.
We will recognize and
celebrate our High School and College
Graduates of 2025. If you are graduating this
year, please notify Pastor Brian or Deb Shuey
by May 11th.

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# Prayer and Holy Communion Service

Thursdays at 11 am in the Sanctuary. A simple service of Scripture, sharing, extended time for prayer, and gathering at the Lord's Table.

All are welcome.

### SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

Start picking your Summer Church Camp Adventure. Brochures for Gretna Glen Camp are available in the lobby. The church will pay half the fee for one camp for any child/youth from Trinity who attends. Need help selecting a camp for your child, see Sheila Seaman or Pastor Brian.

# The Amazing Magi Show

June 1 at 3 pm in the multi. room.

Prepare to be astonished by Michael Reist, aka, The Amazing Magi as he performs his entertaining, interactive, family-friendly magic show.







# Church Directory Updates:

Please make the Following updates in your 2025 church directory:

- \* remove Eleanor Weirich, deceased
- \* remove Jennie & Pam Boltz
- \* Revise address for John & Donna Worm 108 2nd Avenue Houston, MS 38851



# True North VBS Trusting Jesus in a Wild World

July 6 to 10 6:30—8:30 pm 3 years old thru completed 9th grade

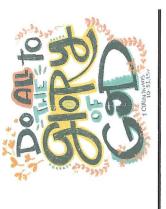
At True North VBS, kids will hit the trail and discover that they can trust Jesus in this Alaskan adventure where northern lights glow over majestic mountains, racing rivers and glistening glaciers. True North VBS is filled with awesome Bible Adventures where kids will be pointed to Jesus, a faithful friend we can trust. Our young hikers will create awesome crafts, enjoy glacier games and eat some tundra snacks.

# Bring your friends and let's hit the Trail!

A registration form is posted at www.trinitylickdale.org, A registration table will be in the lobby or contact the church at 717-865-4361.

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Fri	2	ത	16	23	30
Thu	1 11 am Prayer & Communion Service 7 pm Worship Team Practice	8 11 am Prayer & Communion Service 7 pm Worship Team Practice	15 11 am Prayer & Communion Service 7 pm Worship Team Practice	22 11 am Prayer & Communion Service 7 pm Worship Team Practice	29 11 am Prayer & Communion Service 7 pm Worship Team Practice
Wed		7 7 pm Spiritual Practice Bible Study	14	21	28
Tue		ဖ	13 9 am Koffee Klatch (Quilting Group) 7 pm SPR Meeting	20	27 9 am Koffee Klatch (Quilting Group) 6 pm Mother & Daughter Banquet at Heisey's Diner 7 pm Trustee Meeting
Mon		ى	12	19	26 Memorial ★ Day ★
Sun		4 Communion & Joyful Noise for Helping Hand 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service 2-4 pm Community Prayer Gathering at Memorial Lake	11 Mother's Day 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	18 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	25 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service

# June 2025



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Sun	Communion & Joyful Noise Back to School Blessings 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service w/ Graduation Sunday 3 pm The Mazing Magi	8 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	15 Father's Day 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	22 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	29 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service