

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Consolidated Summary & Upcoming Events

Church Council Meeting

Date: July 27, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM

Key Updates

- Consent Agenda approved.
- Treasurer's Report approved.
- Proposal to seal coat Parking Lot C was defeated.
- Building & Grounds Committee will explore future options for Parking Lot C.
- Spiritual Curiosity initiative continues with positive participation.
- Reconciling church focus group is awaiting a response from an outside organization.
- Evangelism Committee has resumed activity and is focusing on community outreach.
- Constitution revisions are being reviewed for future approval.
- Council packets will be available digitally and in the church office.
- Building cleanup and removal of unused items continues.

Next Meeting: August 24, 2026, at 7:00 PM.

WELCA Executive Meeting

Date: August 3, 2026

Time: 9:30 AM

Key Updates

- Honorary Tea had 22 attendees and received positive feedback.
- Rummage Sale promotion and planning continue.

- Fall soap collection discontinued.
- Discussion began on charities to support in 2027.
- Officer elections scheduled for September.

Next Meeting: October 5, 2026, at 9:30 AM.

Christian Life & Education Committee

Date: August 3, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM

Key Updates

- Community Closet experiencing increased activity due to back-to-school needs.
- Participation in National Night Out community event.
- Harvest Family Dance planning underway.
- Educational opportunities scheduled for fall:
 - This Good Life
 - Manna & Mercy Bible Study
 - Family Faith & Fun Night
- Evangelism efforts focused on promoting church events and improving visitor engagement.
- Rally Day plans finalized with food, activities, pony rides, and fellowship.

Next Meeting: September 1, 2026, at 6:00 PM.

Worship Committee

Date: August 5, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM

Key Updates

- Altar Guild investigating replacement of leaking flower vase inserts.
- Handbell Concert scheduled for December 5.

- Christmas Cantata scheduled for December 20.
- Choir resumes September 13.
- Handbell rehearsals resume September 17.
- Rally Day preparations completed.
- Discussed music selections and congregation feedback.

Next Meeting: September 2, 2026, at 6:00 PM.

Evangelism Committee

Date: August 18, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM

Key Updates

- Google Drive established for sharing promotional materials.
- Focus on increasing awareness through:
 - Church website
 - Facebook
 - Community social media outlets
- Weekly online devotion series under development.
- Visitor follow-up process and welcome team discussed.
- Visitor card redesign under consideration.

Next Meeting: September 14, 2026 (tentative).

Finance Committee

Date: August 19, 2026

Time: 7:15 PM

Key Updates

- July financial reports approved.
- General Fund remains in good financial condition.

- Two scholarship awards processed for the fall semester.
- 2027 budget process begins in September.
- Investment policy review planned.
- Endowment funds have grown and may support future ministry projects.

Next Meeting: September 23, 2026, at 6:00 PM via Zoom.

Upcoming Events

August

- **August 23, 2026** – Chapel Time / Chapel Discussion after worship.

September

- **September 3, 2026, 6:00 PM** – Technology Corner.
- **September 8, 2026, 1:00 PM** – WELCA Joint Circle Meeting & Elections.
- **September 8, 2026, 6:00 PM** – Manna & Mercy Bible Study begins.
- **September 9, 2026, 5:30 PM** – Family Faith & Fun Night.
- **September 13, 2026, 9:00 AM** – Rally Day Worship Service.
- **September 13, 2026, 10:00 AM** – Rally Day Lunch and Activities.
- **September 16, 2026, 6:00 PM** – This Good Life Program.
- **September 17, 2026** – Handbell rehearsals resume.
- **September 17-23, 2026** – Pastor vacation.
- **September 27, 2026, 10:00 AM** – Enlightenment Session.

October

- **October 3, 2026, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM** – Turning Point Food Drive.
- **October 17, 2026, 4:00 PM-7:00 PM** – Harvest Family Dance.
- **October 24, 2026** – Community Trunk or Treat.
- **October 29, 2026** – Reformation Movie Night.

December

- **December 5, 2026, 2:00 PM** – Handbell Concert.
 - **December 20, 2026** – Christmas Cantata: *Bethlehem's Child*.
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Financial Snapshot

- General Fund Balance (July 31): **\$62,495.83**
 - Year-to-Date General Fund Income: **\$213,560.82**
 - Year-to-Date Net Income: **\$20,234.33**
 - Investment Account Balance (August 17): **\$373,104.51**
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Key Focus Areas

- Strengthening communication and transparency.
- Expanding community outreach and evangelism.
- Supporting Pantry and Community Closet ministries.
- Growing educational and fellowship opportunities.
- Maintaining strong financial stewardship.
- Continuing long-range planning for church facilities and ministries.