The Lutheran Church of the Transfiguration

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The Lutheran Church of the Transfiguration

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The Reverend Alexander H. Twedt

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Crystal Poston

Pastor

Director of Music

Administrative Assistant

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"Transfiguration is a group of people brought together by love to worship and glorify God through preaching, teaching and studying the Word. We will work for unity among our members by responding to the spiritual and physical needs of our church family, the community and the world. This can be accomplished through the loving grace of God."

Tithes & Offerings

(as of July 27, 2025)

 Offering Needed to date
 \$189,503

 Offering Received to date
 \$173,877

 Difference
 (\$15,626)

 2024 Budget
 \$350,415

 Long Range Fund needed to date
 \$12,660

 Long Range Fund received to date
 \$13,115

 Total Long Range Budget
 \$21,944

Sunday Worship Schedule

Worship with Holy Communion in person and Facebook Live at 10:00 am

God will always love you! God will never leave you!

August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	F	Sat
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3 8:30 Exec Meeting 9:00 SS 10:00 Worship	4	5 6:00 Jesus Matters	6 11:00 Bible Study	2	∞	o
10 Rally Sunday 9:00 SS 10:00 Worship 6:00 Council	11	12 6:00 Jesus Matters	13 11:00 Bible Study	14	15	16
17 9:00 SS 10:00 Worship 11:30 Confirmation Meeting	18	19 6:00 Jesus Matters	20 11:00 Bible Study	21	22	23
24 Pack the Pews! 9:00 SS 10:00 Worship 11:30 Congregational Meal 4:45 Confirmation	25	26 6:00 Jesus Matters	27 11:00 Bible Study	28	29	30
31 9:00 SS 10:00 Worship	1 OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY					

(A) Acolyte	(C) Crucifer	(L) Lay Assistant	(P) Projection
August 3	Eighth Sunday after Pentecost		
Jack Cunningham (A)	Bradlynn Sturkie (C)	Lewis Marshall (L)	Scott Sturkie (P)
August 10	Ninth Sunday after Pentecost		
Emmarie Cunningham (A)	Matthew Twedt (C)	Savannah Dickerson (L)	Micky Sturkie (P)
August 17	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost		
Anderson Sturkie (A)	Emma Sturkie (C)	Andrew Peters (L)	Cristy Peters (P)
August 24	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost		
Sadie Bonnette (A)	Blakely Bonnette (C)	Susie Bonnette (L)	Susie Bonnette (P)
August 31	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost		
Blake Poston (A)	Bailey Poston (C)	Crystal Poston (L)	Marty Rawls (P)
Visitation Team	Scott Sturkie, Lisa Harper		

Altar Flowers	Vase 1	Vase 2
August 3	Debbie Gunter	Helen Smith
August 10	Bennie Gable	Nannette Wooton
August 17	Sally Smyrl	Sally Smyrl
August 24	Brenda Redmon	Nanette Wooton
August 31	Tammy Douglas	Frances Skaggs

Please note on your check "TLC Altar Flowers." 2025 Altar Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board across from the office. There are numerous dates available. All are welcome to stop by and honor your loved ones by placing flowers and adding beauty to our worship space. The cost of each vase is \$25.00 and can be placed in the offering plate with the note "flowers."

August Birthdays

- Wanda Williams
- Michelle Cullum 4
- Jerod Summer
- Terri Alexander
- Arthur Arrowood 5
- Diane Bozard
- John Amick
- Jinny Harper
- Brooks McGlohorn
- Sylvia Roland
- Jessica Bonnette
- Debbie Gunter
- 13 Boyd Fulmer, Jr.
- 14 Lynn Summer
- 15 Marcela Kpartipa
- Therese Dawkins 17
- Lewis Marshall
- Kendall Poston
- 18 Mason Skeens
- 19 Christina Matthews
- 19 Heather Oswald 20 Brock Jones
- 20 Chris Ward
- 20 Charli Dawkins
- 21 Shirley Oswald
- 21 Emmarie Cunningham
- 22 Michael Lewter
- 22 John Sandel
- 23 Chris Stack
- 24 Manfred Stoll
- 25 David Gardner
- 25 Alice Matthews 26 Lindsay Twedt
- 27 Michelle Vaughn
- 29 Layla Chasteen
- 29 Conni Gardner
- 30 Kim Stewart

August Anniversaries

- 3 Benjie & Crystal Poston
- Kenneth & Marty Rawls
- Lee & Amy Sweem
- Alex & Elaine Twedt
- 10 Boyd & Nanette Wooton
- 15 Phil & Ginger Price
- 22 Michael & Buffie Burr
- 27 Henry & Molly Taylor



Women ELCA

TLC will be collecting bed sheets of all sizes and patterns to be used for backing of the quilts that are sewn and put together at St. David's Lutheran Church in West Columbia. These quilts are sewn together 5 squares across by 7 rows down. These tops are then layered with batting and sheet backings. The sheet edges are doubled over and sewn to make the binding. Then the layers are bound together using the tying method in each square and each corner. As many of you know, these quilts are sent all over the world through to Lutheran World Relief (LWR) to be used for shelter and warmth among other things. Please see Doris Brumfield for more information or to drop off your sheets.

Thank you all for supporting LWR.



TLC's LMM is again hosting a food drive to support the Newberry College Wolves Pantry during the first two Sundays of August, August 3rd and 10th, 2024. Please help us help Newberry College continue to fight this "invisible epidemic" by donating nonperishable food items on these two Sundays. Collection boxes will be set up in the narthex.

A list of items needed will also be in the bulletin during July and August

Weekly Worship Opportunities



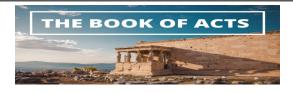
Sunday School for adults & kids each Sunday beginning at 9:00am



30 Minute Jesus Matters Service Tuesday 6:00-6:30pm



Bible Study with Pastor Alex Wednesday from 11:00am-12:00pm



Join the Pastor for Sunday School at 9am in the conference room for a study on the



Join us for the Blessing of the Backpacks
Sunday, August 10, 2025 at 10am

Students, Teachers and School Administrators should bring their backpack for a special back to school blessing.

The TLC Kids will also be collecting donations at the doors for our blessing bag ministry.

This is a reminder that God always blesses us and we have the chance to share that blessing with others.

Please bring loose change or dollars to make a donation to this ministry.

Available after church will be a small snack reception in the narthex. There will I be "back to school" snacks and water available for all!



Save the date!

Our Campaign for Jesus "Pack the Pews" event is will be Sunday, August 24.

Everyone is encouraged to invite someone to join us for our worship and *PACK THE PEWS!*Join us for a meal immediately following worship in the fellowship hall.



Confirmation Class will begin for all 7th & 8th graders on August 24th at 4:45 in the Crowder Classroom.

All upcoming confirmation parents and students are asked to join Pastor immediately following worship on August 17th for a brief meeting in the Crowder Classroom.

Prayer Concerns

Members

Barry Alexander Cynthia Amick Sheron Bowers **Doris Davis** Tammy Douglas Adrid Epting **Bunny Gable** Laurie Hall JoAnn Funderburk **Doris Martin** Sam Matthews Daryl Johnson Arlene McWhorter Lib Monts **Eddie Norris** Shirley Oswald Nancy Peters Ginger Price Phil Price Sylvia Roland Janice Shealy Barbara Smith Brenda Stewart Richard Stewart Wayne Sturkie Joye Tate Lavonia Walker

Alan Wilson

TLC Family In Extended Care & Assist Living

Mary Harmon (Magnolia Manor, Rm 212) Lib Monts (Generations of Irmo, Rm 4) Barbara Smith (Fairforest Grove, Rm 303)

Deployed

Cory Gault

Friends of TLC

Rebekah Tinman (mother of Lisa Harper & Tammy Douglas) Nancy Tinman (aunt of Lisa Harper & Tammy Douglas) Albert Pasquino, Jr. (brother of Helen Smith) Barbara Twedt (mother of Pastor Alex) Sha'Derria Wilbourn (friend of Arlene McWhorter) Lise Maddox (friend of Lisa Harper) Dan & Becky McGlohorn (friend of Donna Wiles) Charity Hooker (friend of Arlene McWhorter) Lee Sweem (son in law of Terri & Barry Alexander) Steve & Sam Fry Arhens (friends of Michelle Vaughn) Bryan Bone (friend of Rick Knight) Steven Bowen (son of Willie Bowen) Michael Wyka (son-in-law of Willie Bowen) Annette Ruffin (sister of Ken Cousson) George Lee (friend of TLC) Lorri Sutton (friend of Nanette & Butch Wooton) Loy Dillon (son of Lynne & Donny Dillon) Ray Dillon(brother of Donny Dillon) Keith Anderson (friend of Jerry Douglas) Linda & Arnold Howell & Lynn Tony (family of Rick Knight) Bart Owens (friend of Mark & Jessica Bonnette) Steve Knight (uncle of Rick Knight) Joyce Carter (friend of Frances Skaggs) Doris Carver (mother of Linda Shuler) Marshall Gates (friend of Jinny Harper) Clifford Fisher III (friend of TLC) Lance Lowman (friend of Marty Barwick) Pamela Frazzitta (friend of Marcia Wadford) Lorene Stallings (aunt of Marcia Wadford) Ed Barwick Jr (step-son of Marty Barwick)

Help us keep the prayer list updated by keeping us posted on the progress of your friends and family. We will remove names from the prayer list after 6 months. Please notify the church office if you would like for their name to remain for longer.

Newberry College WOLVES PANTRY

TLC's LMM is hosting a food drive to support the Wolves Pantry during the first two Sundays of August. Please help us support Newberry College students by donating nonperishable food items.

Collection boxes will be set up in the narthex.

Wolves Pantry Basic Needs

In donations, the **Wolves Pantry** specifically seeks nonperishable food items that require little to no preparation, and that can be prepared using a microwave. The pantry is also collecting school supplies, paper goods, and personal and feminine hygiene products

Instant Meals
Ramen (Chicken/Beef)
Hormel Compleats
Protein Bowls
Chef Boyardee
Mac & Cheese

Savory Snacks
Granola Bars (variety)
Trail mix
Chips (variety)
Little Debbie pies
Crackers: Cheez Its,
Goldfish,
Peanut butter

Canned Meats & Fruit
(do not require a can
opener)
Canned Chicken
Canned Tuna
Canned vegetables
Fruit cups: mandarin
oranges, peaches, pineapples, mixed
Applesauce
GoGurts

Hygiene and other
Tampons/Pads
Toothpaste, floss
Body Wash. Bar soap
Mini lotions/shampoos
Toilet Tissue
Paper Towels
Kleenex
Tide pods

Summer Stewardship Note

As you travel during the summer months, remember the church's needs and support of God's ministries here.

Just as you rely on receiving regular income, Transfiguration relies on receiving regular contributions. Remember, the church is here 24/7 and needs your ongoing support. Maybe give an extra amount on the Sunday before hitting the road. We appreciate your efforts in making consistent donations throughout the year— especially during the summer months.

May your travels be safe and enjoyable, TLC Finance Committee

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Christians Speak the Truth in Love to a Skeptical World, so Some May Come to Believe in Jesus

14 And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.... 17 The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known (John 1:14, 17-18).

16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life (John 3:16).

31 Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." (John 8:31-32).

17 Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. 18 As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. 19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth. 20 "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, 21 that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. 22 The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, 23 I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me (John 17:17-23).

14 We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. 15 But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ (Ephesians 4:14-15).

Subjective interpretations spoken as truth are used to manipulate, insult, or persuade in order to control a situation, an issue, or an individual. In a court of law, differing subjective interpretations are spoken as truth to determine guilt, culpability, liability, negligence, damages, and/or agreement. In the court of public opinion, differing subjective interpretations are spoken as truth to silence the opposition and/or to cancel those with differing political or social ideologies. In this world of subjective interpretation, the truth becomes a moving target and a matter of perspective leaving the world to ponder Pilate's question to Jesus: "What is truth?" (John 18:38).

Jesus is the truth because Jesus reveals the truth of God's love for the world. Christians abide in this truth and are sent into the world to share this truth to make God's love known. The truth of God's love in Jesus frees Christians from the bondage of sin, so in gratitude they strive to obey the command of Jesus to love others as Jesus has loved them with the self-sacrificing love of the Cross (John 13:34-35; 15:12-13). In sharing this self-sacrificing love, Christians testify to the truth of God's love for the world. Therefore, when Christians share the self-sacrificing love of Jesus, Christians speak the truth in love to a skeptical world, so some may come to believe in Jesus.

Your friend in Christ,

Pastor