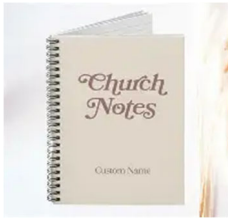


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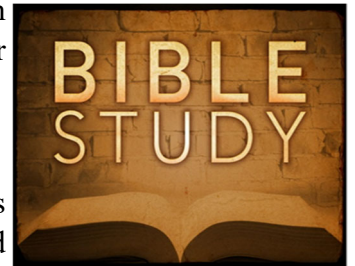


I grew up in Minnesota. It was so cold up there, I referred to place as "Minne-SNOW-ta" -- we didn't have "summer." Our seasons were more similar to "pre-winter" "winter" and "post-winter" - IF the weather was warm enough, we'd have fireworks on the 4th of July. I love and welcome the Texas heat.

Of course, the fireworks this Fourth of July are truly special because this year marks 250 years since the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776, making it the United States' **Semiquincentennial**, the 250th anniversary of American independence. For me, this date is meaningful after I gave the nation 41 years of my life tour nation in military service to our nation in the Air Force.



Last month we completed reading and studying Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians; finishing our studies for the Spring and are headed to some welcomed time off until September. Trinity has spent almost all of our time studying books of the Bible. So, when we come back in September, I'm calling that Sunday morning 9:00 am time together what it really is: "Bible Study".



Trinity's quarterly council meeting is coming up on July 15th at 6:30pm. It is always a blessing to see how well the council members find and discuss, old and



new business, communicating to get the job done for the benefit of the congregation. Many, if not all of the council members, have selflessly worked on their tasks for several years. Each meeting is meaningful. I encourage everyone to attend council meetings to witness their work, and jump in to help them out. I'm certain volunteers are always welcome. I say that because those eight people on council should not always work alone..

The best reference for help like that is found in the New Testament and stems from the work of Mary Magdalene. We all remember her as a devoted follower of Jesus and for her steadfast presence during His ministry, crucifixion and burial. All four Gospels depict Mary Magdalene as the first witness to the resurrection and messenger to the apostles bringing them news of the resurrection; for this the *Eastern Orthodox church* viewed her as "Equal to the Apostles" distinct from other Biblical women; and the *Catholic church* honored her as "Apostle to the Apostles." Our council can always use help like that! Mary Magdalene is remembered and celebrated on July 22nd.



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#### COMMUNITY/SERVICE, GROWTH/OUTREACH MINISTRY

**PENNIES FOR PRESCRIPTIONS.....RX Program, get rid of your pennies, put in jar for prescriptions:** Interfaith Outreach Services are still implementing this program for the elderly and for persons who can not afford to buy their medications. We have a jug to put change in on the counter in Fellowship Hall.

**USED EYE GLASSES .....**Yes! We still do collect eye glasses and cases. Sun-glasses are also needed. So don't throw your old ones away, recycle them and bring them to the church and put in the box for eye glasses. They will be delivered to Hayley's Eye Clinic

**FOOD BASKETS.....**Food baskets go Interfaith Outreach. Benevolences go to Faith Mission, Wichita Falls Area Food Bank and also Interfaith Outreach Services. So lets fill the food baskets to the rim. Let's help stamp out hunger in our neighborhood.

#### Celebrating the Triumph of the American Spirit!!!

On July 4, 2026, the United States celebrates 250 years of independence, marking a semiquincentennial milestone with historical reflection, national growth, and nationwide festivities. The Declaration of Independence was signed on **July 4, 1776**, by 56 representatives from the 13 colonies, initiating the American Revolution and the birth of the United States

Founding Father **George Washington** is the only one with a state named after him, which also contains a small city called George, Washington.

#### Welcome, visitor!

We are glad that you have chosen to walk with us today. And we hope that God will move you to share your spiritual journey with us.

Many of you remember Hildegard (Hilde) Snyder. She is a member of Trinity and has a birthday July 31. Her young age on her birthday will be 101. She is the oldest living member of Trinity. Cards would be nice sent to her on that day.

**July 4th, 2026**  
**250th Anniversary**  
**Of American**  
**Independence**

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." — The Declaration of Independence, 1776.

This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave." — Elmer Davis

May your heart be as full as the fireworks bursting in the night sky—celebrate freedom!" — Unknown

## **LECTIONARY LESSONS**

### **July 5, 2026: Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

Worship 10:15 a.m. Traditional Liturgy; Communion

Zechariah 9:9-12

Psalms 145:8-14

Romans 7:15-25a

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 Jesus chides people who find fault with both his ministry and that of John the Baptist. He thanks God that wisdom and intelligence are not needed to receive what God has to offer.

### **July 12, 2026: Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Worship 10:12 a.m. Traditional Liturgy; Communion

Isaiah 55:10-13

Psalms 65:1-13

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 In Matthew's gospel, both Jesus and his disciples "sow the seed" of God's word by proclaiming the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is near." Now, in a memorable parable, Jesus explains why this good news produces different results in those who hear.

### **July 19, 2026: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

Isaiah 44:6-8

Psalms 86:11-17

Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 Jesus tells a parable about the coexistence of good and evil in the world. God's judgment will remove all evildoers and causes of sin, but not until the end of human history.

### **July 26, 2026: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

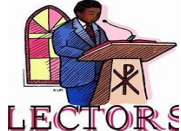
Worship 10:15 a.m. Traditional Liturgy; Communion

1 Kings 3:5-12

Psalms 119:129-136

Romans 8:26-39

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 Throughout Matthew's gospel, Jesus and his disciples proclaim the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is near!" Here, Jesus offers several brief parables that explore the implications of this announcement of people's lives.

| <b>JULY<br/>Volunteers</b>                                                          | <b>5</b>             | <b>12</b>           | <b>19</b>           | <b>26</b>           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Tellers:</b><br><b>Gail Deason</b><br><b>Carol Jones</b>                         |                      |                     |                     |                     |
|    | <b>Cindy Pearce</b>  | <b>Cindy Pearce</b> | <b>Cindy Pearce</b> | <b>Cindy Pearce</b> |
|    |                      |                     |                     |                     |
|    | <b>Sally Krueger</b> |                     |                     |                     |
|  | <b>David Deason</b>  | <b>Gail Deason</b>  | <b>Gary Pearce</b>  | <b>Chris Bybee</b>  |

Trinity Members in Assisted Living: James Beegle, and Amber Ward.  
Cards sent to them would be appreciated. Share a bit of joy with them.

Do you have a birthday or anniversary or a "just because" coming up?? Put your name by the date of the occasion on the flower chart. Let's fill the flower chart up this year.



### **JULY BIRTHDAYS**

**Sarah Hams July 5**

**Helen Sorenson July 14**

**Janet Ramsey July 25 Hilde Snyder July 31**

**Birthday Cards, calls, remembrances nice to send each month for those who have birthdays in that month.**



| Sunday                 | Mon                              | Tue | Wed                                        | Thu | Fri | Sat         |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-------------|
|                        |                                  |     | 1<br>In Stitches 10 am                     | 2   | 3   | 4th<br>JULY |
| 5<br>Worship 10:15 am  | 6                                | 7   | 8<br>In Stitches 10 am                     | 9   | 10  | 11          |
| 12<br>Worship 10:15 am | 13<br>No<br>ASG Board<br>Meeting | 14  | 15<br>In Stitches 10 am<br>Council 6:30 pm | 16  | 17  | 18          |
| 19<br>Worship 10:15 am | 20                               | 21  | 22<br>In Stitches 10 am                    | 23  | 24  | 25          |
| 26<br>Worship 10:15 am | 27<br>ASG 1 pm                   | 28  | 29<br>In Stitches 10 am                    | 30  | 31  |             |

**Interfaith Outreach Service** need for JULY:

Canned green beans, mixed vegetables, Soup(no specific kind); canned fruit.

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## WORD SEARCH

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| America     | Fireworks | Independence | Red       | United |
| Blue        | Flag      | July         | Sparklers | White  |
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| Celebrate   | Freedom   | Parade       | Stripes   |        |
| Declaration | Holiday   | Picnic       | Summer    |        |