



June 2024 Newsletter

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MAY - JULY 2024

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**We hope to see you
at worship soon!
9am & 10:30am
every Sunday!**

INVITING PEOPLE TO
MAKE CONNECTIONS
TO CHRIST AND
EACH OTHER

Concord Trinity UMC

JUNE 2024

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News You can Use to Transform Lives, Connecting People to Christ & Each Other!

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- Join us Sundays at 9 am and 10:30 am for weekly worship (online worship visit [ConcordTrinity. Org](http://ConcordTrinity.Org))
- See You June 10 at our next CLC Meeting (Room 223 6:30pm)
- New Co-op Group led by Leslie Weiss is COLLECTING TAB TOPS! (page 9)
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From David's Desk

Dear Friends and Members of Concord Trinity,

It's June! While most of our families think of summer vacation, Methodist pastors think "Annual Conference." Once a year on the second weekend of June, all pastors and a lay representative from each congregation gather for our annual statewide meeting, being held this year at the St. Charles Convention Center.

We worship, handle business, celebrate ministries, honor those who are retiring, those who have passed, welcome those who have heard the call to ministry, including an ordination service for those who have completed the journey of preparing for ministry. **Our own former child and youth member Adam Kaul will be one of those persons to be ordained as an Elder at this year's annual conference on June 9th! Concord Trinity can celebrate with his family and can be proud that we have raised up another pastor for ministry in our conference!**

The end of the annual conference is always the fixing of appointments. Last year, Pastor Mary's name was read as the new District Superintendent of the Southwest District and my name was read as the new pastor of Concord Trinity United Methodist Church. I can say that my wife Nancy and I are very thankful for the warm welcome we have received and feel extremely comfortable in the beautiful parsonage you provide for us.

I was also given the gifts of a wonderful and supportive leadership team and a crew of dedicated and talented staff. Because of these two teams, we have been able to move quickly in our first year. The Church Leadership Council or CLC is a blessing to work with and it is a joy to experience their passion for our church, for ministry, and the direction and support they bring thanks to experience from work and other church settings to form a group that provides a great leadership team for our whole church.

In addition to formal leadership, I have met and watched (*Continued*)

many other leaders and servants who quietly go about the church's daily work.

Then there are the wonderful and gifted staff members who organize and share ministry with me. Joel, Marilyn, and Nancy Merrell are amazing at their jobs, and we are so blessed that they continue to serve and share their gifts with our church.

J.T. is a passionate powerhouse whose work in the areas of Discipleship, Mission and Social Justice has been incredible this past year.

We were blessed to add two brand new staff people this year who are helping to shape our future. Kyle has stepped into a historically strong youth ministry area and is taking that ministry to the next level, as well as updates to all of Family Ministry including an excited team formed to redevelop the kid's ministry on Sunday Morning.

Finally, I think we can all agree on the great blessing when God called Grace to become our Director of Worship. The energy, passion, and spirit she brings to our worship services and the way she is building teams, connecting & leading us to experience the fullness of God's love is amazing. The way we worship is truly being transformed.

It is a blessing to serve with you as we work together to "Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World." I am excited to see where God leads us in year two!

Your Pastor,

David (dstewart@concordtrinity.org)

Financial Snapshot *from the Church Leadership*

2024 Financial Data	What We Anticipated for the whole year 2024	Stats for <u>April 2024</u>	Stats for All of 2024
INCOME			
Budget Income	\$600,000	\$ 42,194	\$224,162
Rent, Interest, T-fers	\$ 32,500	\$ 3,051	\$ 17,063
TOTAL INCOME	\$632,500	\$ 45,245	\$241,225
EXPENSES			
Conference Expenses	\$ 77,476	\$ 6,456	\$ 25,825
Ministries / Programs with Related Staff Salaries	\$267,427	\$ 21,521	\$ 92,531
Admin / Office/ Commun. with Related Staff Salaries	\$130,517	\$ 5,447	\$ 35,802
Building / Utilities with Related Staff Salaries	\$165,269	\$ 35,868	\$ 84,415
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$640,689	\$ 69,293	\$238,573
Increase (Decrease) In Budget Funds	\$ (8,639)	\$ (24,048)	\$ 2,652

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All of us are leaders. We may be reluctant and make excuses but all of us are created by God to learn the skills and spiritual principles to become the leaders that God calls us to be in this time and place. When we lean into learning to lead with purpose and direction, we move from being accidental leaders who get lost or give up easily to becoming leaders who lead others to make a difference and change the world.

IN THIS SERIES

We overcome fear - May 26, 2024

We yield to God - Jun 2, 2024

We empower others - Jun 9, 2024

We adapt to change - Jun 16, 2024

We commit wholeheartedly - Jun 23, 2024

We impart - Jun 30, 2024

We pass it on - Jul 7, 2024

Learn and explore more at concordtrinity.org/ondemand

In Memoriam

Our tears and prayers go out to the family of Betty Taylor who died April 26th; all invited to her memorial service Saturday, June 15 at Concord Trinity with visitation at 9 am, and service to follow.

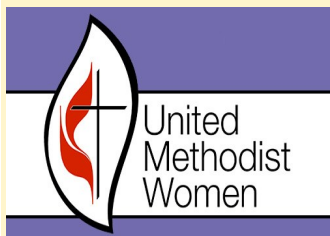
Prayers also for the family of Georgina Ramberg, who died May 5, 2024. Her memorial service is also Saturday, June 15 at South County Kutis Chapel on Lemay Ferry. Visitation begins at 1pm with service at 3pm.

We are also missing our friend Billie Koch who died May 10, 2024. We remember in prayer Bob Koch, children, grandchildren and many friends. Billie's memorial service is at Concord Trinity Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 11 am (visitation starts at 10 am).

All our love and prayers go to the family of Frank Hernandez who died May 22, 2024. We send up prayers for wife Sharon, mom Peggy, children, grandson, brother and many friends. His funeral was May 31st.

Prayers going to the family and friends Nancy Freiburghaus, who died after a lengthy illness on May 22, 2024. Services are pending.

We remember in prayer Scott Lloyd (Melanie) who lost his mom, Evelyn, on May 2, 2024.



Mark Your Calendars

Community and church members are invited to a **Salad/Dessert Silent Auction Luncheon UMW fundraiser on Saturday, June 8, 2024.**

All invited for a fun day with UMW! Join us Saturday, June 8th, doors open and bidding begins at 10 am. Bidding closes at noon followed by a light luncheon of sandwiches, salads and desserts.

Pre-registration is a must! No tickets sold at the door. Admission is \$15, so make your reservations today by calling Diana Rudloff at (314) 780-5922 or emailing meana1@sbcglobal.net. You can also check with the church office.

Proceeds support the UMW budget and our many mission projects. Make your reservation soon -- bring a friend! Silent Auction donations will be gratefully accepted! There will be over 100 themed baskets, individual items, coupons, baked goods and gift cards for you to bid on! *See you there!*

Landscaping Crew Needs You!

Terry Henneberry has revolutionized our church's garden areas to healthy, inviting landscapes! Can you help with a little maintenance? Different parts of our landscape are divided for a group or individual to provide some light maintenance every week this summer.

Please contact Terry H. or the church office and help Concord Trinity remain an inviting, living space to be for new friends and old!



NEW CO-OP



The Weiss Co-op


Head Leader: Leslie Weiss

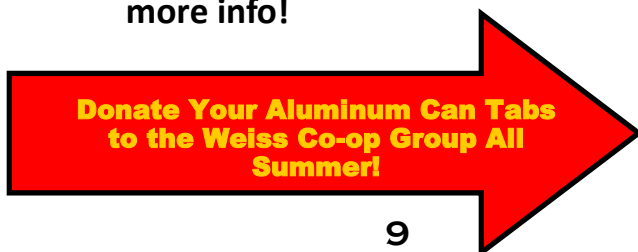
Tuesdays

Biweekly

South County | STL

concordtrinity.org/concordco-ops

Visit the web page above  or call the church office for more info!





Feed My People's Suggested Donations for JUNE
(please bring one of each item below in the suggested meal, and more than one set is great!)

- Summer Snacks for Kids Home from School
- Canned Tuna or Salmon in water
- Tuna or Hamburger Helper
- Soups (tomato, cream of mushroom, vegetable, etc)
- Any Canned Vegetable
- Any Canned Fruit/Applesauce
- Powdered Milk or Soy Milk (shelf stable)

Optional Items Suggested for this month

- Baby Foods, Baby Cereals (rice, barley, mixed)
- Baby Juices, Baby Formula with Iron
- Baby Diapers and wipes
- Adult Diapers
- Boost or Ensure (or similar product)

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home sweet home

DONATE - A - DRESSER!

Donate **\$60** to sponsor a
dresser to send to
Home Sweet Home!

***Dresser build tentatively
scheduled for Saturday,
June 29, 2024 (depending
on dressers availability)
...Click [HERE](#) to sign up!***

JUNE Events

Join us Every Sunday for Worship 9 am and 10:30 am

YOU are invited to these events!

Visit CONCORDTRINITY.ORG for more!

Mon/Weds/Fri	All Year 'Round, Walking Group, 8 am
Mondays, Thurs. and Fridays	All Year 'Round, Pickleball, 9 am (6 pm Fridays)
Tuesdays/Fridays	(No meetings week of June 10-14) All Year 'Round, 10:30 am Chair Exercise, 11:30 am Zumba (with SAJE senior group)
Thurs. / Sundays	All Year 'Round, 7 pm Fenton Big Book AA (Trinity Hall) All Invited!
Wednesdays	All Year 'Round join the Yarn Angels Knitting Ministry, 9 am

Weekly on Sundays

CTKids	Sunday Morning Gatherings for kids on PAUSE for summer, but our Pray Ground is always ready! See page 17 for summer CT Kids Park Days. 9 am Christian Living Adults Sunday School (Rm 120) 10:15 am Travelers Adult Sunday School (room 222)
CTYouth	Sunday Youth Evenings on PAUSE for summer! but check page 16 for summer Bible study!
Tuesdays	Join long-time group Overeaters Anonymous Tuesdays at 1 pm in the Library!
Thursdays	Men's Bible Study continues, please join us (8 am, room 222).
<u>Monthly</u> Saturday	Weekend Warriors work group meets 9 am in parlor first Saturday of month
Sunday June 2	Confirmation Sunday (Slides at both services, actual celebration at 10:30 am worship time)
Monday June 3	Cutting Edge Card Makers, all invited 1pm room 223 (first Monday of the month).

JUNE Events

Monday June 3	Project Time 1-3 pm, rm. 223
Saturday, June 8	UMW Luncheon/Silent Auction, call Diana for YOUR reservation!
Sunday, June 9	<u>Graduation Sunday</u> at CTUMC! Laity Sunday, Missouri Annual Conference
Sunday, June 9	Rev. Adam Kaul will be fully ordained an Elder at St. Charles Convention Center 10:30 am at annual conference! (moacinfo.com for more info)
Monday, June 10	Church Leadership Council meeting 2nd Monday of the month, 6:30pm -- you are invited
2nd Wednesdays June 12	Cans, Cards & Soup Adult Fellowship Time, 12:30 pm - 4 pm with light food, card games and nice conversation. .
Sunday, June 16	Fathers' Day, celebrate men you have been led by spiritually and in your family!
Saturday, June 29	Tentative day of Home Sweet Home Dresser build, click HERE to sign up!

Sunday Worship 9 am and 10:30 am
[or online at concordtrinity.org/worship-videos](http://concordtrinity.org/worship-videos)



Concord Trinity UMC is blessed to partner with inExcelsis Ministry! You may have heard our friends from inExcelsis speak at church May 26 about the Dignity on Wheels Program...here is a little history!

“Big things can happen with just a few small actions. A young child sharing the sticks he won in a simple game. He could have rightfully declared himself winner of all, but instead he gave some of what he had so that another person didn’t have to go without....A conversation with a friend about how to change the world in an innovative way, the decision to volunteer at a local nonprofit Christmas event, and conversation with someone trying to get their life on track after a past of bad mistakes. All these things planted, watered and grew the seed for what inExcelsis is today.

inExcelsis, which means “To the highest degree,” was started in 2020 By Severin Pelekara, the son of a Methodist pastor in Cameroon. With the help of God, Sev has created a ministry that provides small acts of kindness to the highest degree that produce big impact in the lives of those served.

inExcelsis serves young people, individuals, and families experiencing homelessness in the St. Louis Area, meeting physical as well as spiritual needs. On each 1st, 2nd and 3rd Saturday of the month, inExcelsis hosts its Community Fellowship at One Family Church (Formerly Shaw United Methodist Church), where they provide food, clothing, bus passes, case management, and other basic necessities. On Sundays, inExcelsis brings the church to Little Sisters For The Poor in the form of an unconventional, innovative, worship service. Each winter, inExcelsis

provides shelter during freezing temperatures with its Winter Safe Haven Program.

What started as a dream, and a picture from a young child's imagination back in 2020 became a reality on May 4th of this year when inExcelsis launched its mobile shower program at the One Family Church location. Starting in June, inExcelsis will begin providing showers in partnership with Concord Trinity UMC on Thursday mornings from 9am-12pm in the back parking lot.

To volunteer with inExcelsis, contact Amber Wise who uses a Concord Trinity work station most weekdays:

amber@inexcelsislove.org or (314)827-6297.

A promotional graphic for Eagle Lake Camps. It features a collage of images: a family (father, mother, and three children) smiling, a child on a colorful inflatable slide, and a child on a small boat. Text elements include "REGISTER TODAY!" in large yellow letters, the website "eaglelakecamps.com/ctumc", "Since 1957", the "eaglelake CAMPS" logo, "join us at Concord Trinity UMC", and the dates "July 1 - 5, 2024".

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20% Savings!
Eagle Lake
fee has
been
reduced!

Great Birthday
Gift!

Half- and Full-
Scholarships
available!

\$20 savings for
referring a friend!

jtyoung@concordtrinity.org

Volunteers Needed!
Eagle Lake Camp July 1-5



GRADUATION SUNDAY

June 9th | 10:30 am



DIVING INTO THE BIBLE

6-8 PM @ The Stringfield's

June 2

June 9

July 14

July 21

FAMILY PARK DAYS

Bring your kiddos out to the
park to hang out with us
this summer!

DATES & TIMES

June 8 - Whitecliff Park
3-5 PM

July 13 - Watson Trail Park
10 AM - Noon

August 10 - Des Peres Park Splash Pad
1-3 PM



**The church office has
more details!**

[info @concordtrinity.org](mailto:info@concordtrinity.org)

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You Are Invited to Attend Church Leadership Council

All welcome to our monthly meeting every 2nd Monday evening, 6:30 pm room 223 on June 10, July 8, August 12 ... all year 'round.

The latest approved meeting minutes are available to read at concordtrinity.org (hover your mouse over "About" tab).

Have a Question? Just ask one of our council members before/after worship or get their contact info in Realm:

Di Nichols - CLC Chair (class of 2024)

Dave Genthon (class of 2024)

Gale Preston - Lay Leader (class of 2024)

Glenn Kvidahl (class of 2024)

Kurt Oakes (class of 2025)

Sarah Lord (class of 2025)

Jami Jackson (class of 2025)

Parker Givens (class of 2025)

Leslie Weiss (class of 2026)

Scott Lloyd (class of 2026)



Thank You

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Fridays Office Closed

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