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8:00 & 10:30 am
Bible Studies: 9:20 am
Sunday School: 9:15 am



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Where is the Holy Spirit Today?

The Day of Pentecost is always a great celebration for the church. We will gather together to celebrate Pentecost on Sunday, June 5, to hear the story of the birth of the Church, told in Acts 2: When the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles like the rush of a violent wind, with tongues as of fire dancing on their heads; people from all nations hearing the apostles speaking in their own language, and more than 3,000 responding by being baptized into Christ.

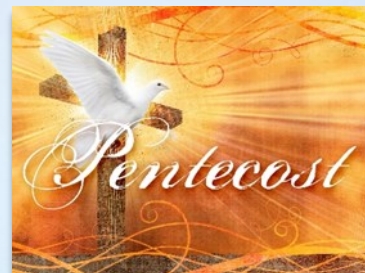
Don't you wonder a little, when you hear the Pentecost account, whether we are missing something today? After all, I doubt that our Pentecost celebration at TLC will include a violent wind, or fire, or miraculous speech. So are we missing something? Where is the wind and the fire today? Where is the excitement of that first Pentecost? Perhaps the better question to ask is: **WHERE IS THE HOLY SPIRIT TODAY?** After all, isn't that the point of Pentecost? To give us the Holy Spirit? So the question to ask today is not, where is the wind and the fire, but where is the Holy Spirit?

This month, I hope to remind you that the Holy Spirit is without a doubt here with us even today, in some very amazing and powerful ways. Let me share three of those ways:

The Word of God - First, the Holy Spirit is here, and comes to us today, through the Holy Word – the divinely-inspired, faith-producing, life-changing Word of God – which connects us to all Christians going all the way back to that first Pentecost, and connects us to the God who inspired and guided its every word.

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The Called and Gathered Church - The second way that the Holy Spirit comes to us today is through the gathered congregation. As Martin Luther put it in his Small Catechism:

The Holy Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith.



The Holy Spirit is the reason TLC exists today. The Holy Spirit called and gathered us here at TLC just as it has done for Christian communities for centuries all around the world. The Holy Spirit brings us together and gives us a variety of gifts, all for the common good. We come together to share our gifts and insights, and become more than we can possibly be, on our own. Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus is present when we gather in his name, which we do whenever we worship together. The Holy Spirit can come to us when we are alone, of course, but scripture teaches us that coming together in Jesus' name is the best way to discover the Holy Spirit among us.

The Sacraments - And finally, the Holy Spirit comes to us through the Holy Sacraments. When Peter finished his sermon on that first Pentecost, those who heard it asked him, "What should we do?" And Peter responded, "Repent, and be baptized ... and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:37-38). They will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit not through wind and fire, but through holy baptism. And it is in baptism that we, too, first received the gift of the Holy Spirit.

And right after those who heard Peter's sermon were baptized, what did they do? The very next verse says, "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers" (Acts 2:42). In other words, they gathered together as a community, to hear the Word and celebrate Holy Communion.



That is where the miracle of Pentecost continued to be enjoyed and realized in the Church. Then, and now. When we gather in the name of Jesus, remember our baptisms, devote ourselves to the apostles' teaching, and to the breaking of the bread, and the prayers.

It's always tempting to think that we need more – we need more excitement, more enthusiasm, more emotion; we need more wind and fire on Sunday mornings. But we Lutherans are at our best when we refuse to believe that the church needs anything more than the Word, the congregation gathered in Jesus' name, and the Sacraments. Because we believe, teach and confess that it is through these means of grace that God gives us all that we need for our salvation.

Know that the Lord has filled you with His Holy Spirit to love God and love others!

In Christ,
Pastor Andy

New To TLC

TLC received new members at both services on
Sunday, May 22.

Please welcome new members
Mark Burnson;
Kathy Hanchett and her sons,
Craig and Jacob Hanchett



Experience the Holy Land with Pastor Andy January 17-26, 2024

Pastor Andy Alberts is hosting a trip to Israel (with an optional Egypt extension) traveling January 17-26, 2024.

Highlights of this trip include 3 days exploring the area of Galilee including a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, visiting Nazareth, Caesarea Philippi, Mt. of Beatitudes, and Magdala.

On the way to Jerusalem, we will stop at the Jordan River and Beit Shean—one of the best-preserved Decapolis Roman Cities. In the three days in and around Jerusalem, we will visit the Mt. of Olives, the Western Wall, parts of the Via Dolorosa, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher that contains the traditional site of Jesus' death and tomb, the Shrine of the Book Museum, Hezekiah's Tunnel (weather permitting), and have a communion worship service at a secondary site for Golgotha and the Garden Tomb.

There will be a day trip south of Jerusalem to see Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were authored and discovered, to the Ein Gedi caves where David hid from King Saul, to see King Herod's fortress at Masada, and to the Dead Sea for a swim/float.

The tour price of \$4,597 per person, based on double occupancy, includes airfare from Cleveland, first class hotels, breakfasts, and dinners (lunches are on your own), guided site-seeing, entrance fees, and gratuities.

For the full trip brochure and/or to register, go to www.registernow.ittworld.com and use Tour Code: *Alberts24*. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Andy by email pastorandy@tlcoh.org or cell (330) 203-5474.

June Calendar of Events

Friday, June 2, 1:30 pm Prayer Shawl
Sunday, June 5 Graduate Recognition Sunday
Monday, June 6, 7:00 pm Board of Elders
Thursday, June 9, 6:00 pm Married Couples Cookout
Sunday, June 12, 12:00-5:00 pm Youth BBQ & Carwash
Monday, June 13- Friday, June 17, 9:00- 12:00 VBS
Monday, June 13, 7:00 pm Board of Directors
Saturday, June 18, 12:00 pm Wise Owls
Saturday, June 18 First Baptist Church lock-in
Sunday, June 19 Father's Day
Saturday, June 25 First Baptist Church lock-in
Sunday, June 26, 12:00 pm Sunday Summer Cookout

July Calendar of Events

Friday, July 1, 1:30 pm Prayer Shawl
Monday, July 4 Independence Day
Monday, July 4 Church office closed
Thursday, July 7 - Friday, July 15 NYG
Saturday, July 16, 12:00 pm Wise Owls
Sunday, July 17, 12:00 pm Sunday Summer Cookout
Sunday, July 24, 12:00 pm Sunday Summer Cookout



ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

Married Couple Cook Out

Thursday, June 9, 6:00 pm in TLC Pavilion

Are you looking for community? Are you looking for other couples to hang out with? You are invited to an outdoor picnic at the TLC pavilion on Thursday, June 9 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Hamburgers, hot dogs and all the fixings will be provided...Just come! Several youth will be leading games and activities for kids so that adults can relax and chat.

Sunday Summer Cookouts

Are you hungry for some more fellowship? Would you like to get to know other members of TLC better? TLC will be offering Sunday Summer Cookouts after the late worship service at the pavilion throughout this summer. Save the following dates on your calendar for food and fellowship on Sundays after church: June 26; July 17 & 24; August 7 & 21.

Youth Ministry Car Wash & BBQ

Sunday, June 12, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Enjoy a meal in the pavilion while your car is washed. All proceeds go towards the National Youth gathering in Houston, TX this summer. Invite Friends. All are welcome. Thank you for your support!



**2022 VBS
MAKE WAVES!**

**June 13-17
9:00 am – 1200 pm**



Register for VBS online at
<https://www.myvbs.org/tallmadge/bbs/register/>

In this wet and wild VBS, kids will learn that what you do today can change the world around you. When you put your trust in Jesus, you can "make waves" because of His Spirit living inside you. Through fun activities, engaging lessons, and God's Word, we'll help kids understand how they can share God's love with the people around them.

They'll discover that when they put their faith in Jesus, God will give them His Spirit. And like the Bible says, the Spirit is like many streams of living water. Through fun activities, engaging lessons, and God's Word, kids will explore what it means to "make waves" in their own lives that will influence the people around them.

If you would like to help with VBS, please email Ann Alberts at annalberts@gmail.com or text 330-801-7545.



The Tallmadge Police, Fire and City Appreciation Luncheon was held on Friday May 20, 2022 on our pavilion. We had about 30 people attend who were treated to hamburgers, hotdogs, home made salads, cookies and drinks! It was a HUGE success! Thank you to all the volunteers who made this possible! - Gail



2022 VBS



June 13-17 9am – 12:00pm

Ages 3 – 12 years old

Register Online at

www.myvbs.org/tallmadgevbs/register/

WHAT YOU DO TODAY CAN CHANGE THE WORLD AROUND YOU!

Theme Verse:

“Whoever believes in me...rivers of living water will flow from within them.”

John 7:38, NIV

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We think it's possible for kids and volunteers to create a ripple effect that can impact the world around them in ways they will never forget. God dropped you onto this planet to do the same thing — to make waves.

Register TODAY!

IN THE COMMUNITY: TALLMADGE

Maca Aquatic Center

Open May 28 - August 14

Monday - Thursday, 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

Friday - Sunday, 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

Community Gardens

Garden plots (20 ft x 20 ft) are available to Tallmadge residents. Access to the plots is from the parking lot behind the Tallmadge Recreation Center. Contact Andrea Kidder, Community Development/Communications Manager at 330-633-5639 or akidder@tallmadge-ohio.org with any questions.

Music on The Circle

Free Summer Concerts. Thursday night from 6:30 - 8:30 pm on the circle.

Thursday, June 16 - The Diamond Project (Neil Diamond Cover)

Thursday, June 30 - Akron Symphonic Winds (Classical)

Thursday, July 7 - The Hot Potatoes (Blues/Swing)

Thursday, July 21 - Raquel & the Wildflowers (Country)



Touch A Truck

Saturday, June 18, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm (rain date June 25)

Tallmadge City Vehicles, mail trucks, fire trucks, army vehicles and other cool surprises!

Farmer Market

Thursdays, June 16, 2022- October 13, 2022 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm in the Tallmadge Rec parking lot.

Coming up:

- Circle Fest & Light Parade: mid-August



Music Ministry: *songs for the summer*

GOOD MORNING - MANDISA

OLD CHURCH CHOIR - ZACH WILLIAMS

LOVE WITH YOUR LIFE - HOLLYN

DO SOMETHING - MATTHEW WEST

THIS IS THE STUFF - FRANCESCA BATTISTELLI

HAPPINESS - NEEDTOBREATHE

BEAUTIFUL DAY - JAMIE GRACE

HILLS AND VALLEYS - TAUREN WELLS

BE THE CHANGE - BRITT NICOLE

JOY OF THE LORD - REND COLLECTIVE

NOW - MALLARY HOPE

THRONE ROOM - KIM WALKER-SMITH

STILL - HILLARY SCOTT & THE SCOTT FAMILY

HOME - CHRIS TOMLIN

FEARLESS - JASMINE MURRAY

PROVE IT - CROWDER, KB



Youth Group News

Andy Wahl

Todd Miller

Jenn Larson

Beth Niermann

BBQ & Car Wash

Sunday, June 12, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Enjoy a meal in the pavilion while your car is washed. All proceeds go towards the National Youth gathering in Houston, TX this summer. Order forms are in this newsletter, Sunday bulletins and by the mailboxes.

Thank you for your support!



Parent Appreciation Dinner



Upcoming

Sunday, Jun 12, 12:00 pm Car Wash & BBQ

Sunday, June 26, 12:00 pm Youth meeting

FREE CAR WASH



HOT DOG - \$5
HAMBURGER - \$6

(MEAL INCLUDES BAG OF CHIPS, COOKIE & DRINK)



BBQ

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

TIME: _____

Qtr hour slots, i.e. 12:15, 12:30, 12:45

HAMBURGER _____

HOT DOG _____

SPECIFY HOW MANY MEALS WANTED NEXT TO HAMBURGER OR HOT DOG

ENJOY A MEAL IN THE PAVILION WHILE YOUR CAR IS BEING WASHED!!

SUNDAY
JUNE 12TH

12-5
time slots every 15 minutes

**ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL BENEFIT TLC YOUTH
TOWARDS NYC 2022 IN HOUSTON, TX**

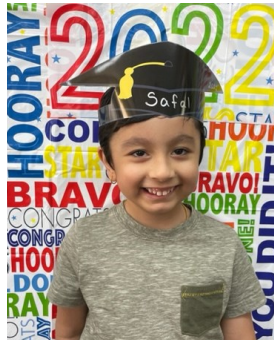
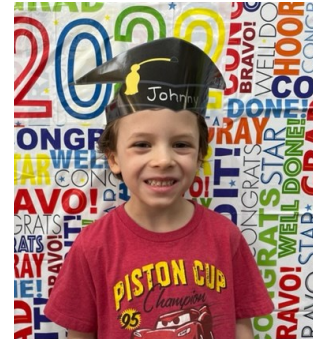
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!!

Any questions or for an order form, contact Todd Miller | p: 330-573-5779 | e: tandl22720@gmail.com



Presenting
Tallmadge Christian Preschool
Class of

2022



TLC Building Projects

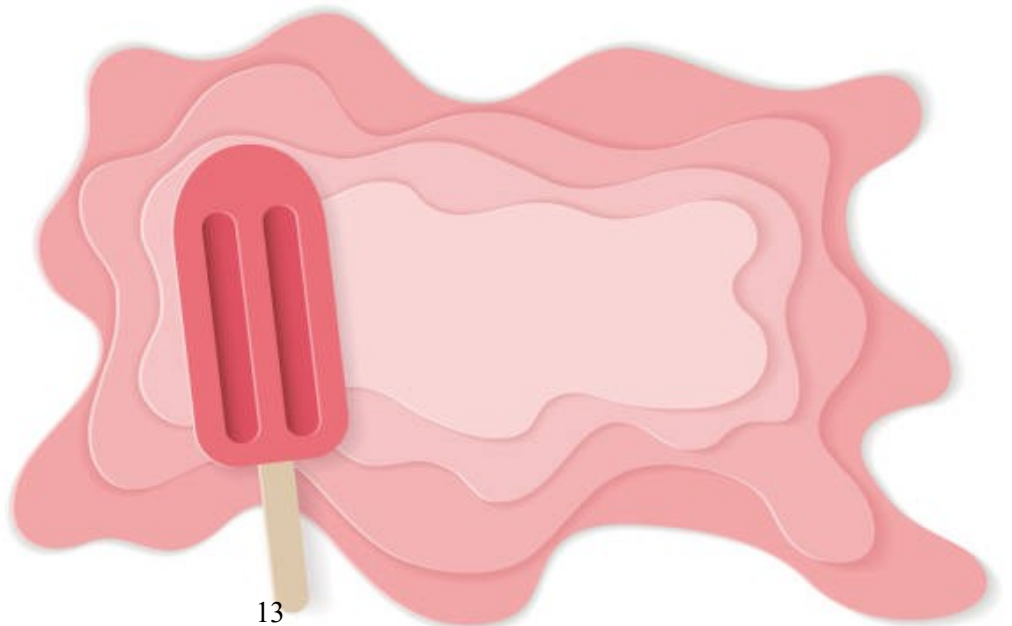
Your financial gifts help us care for God's House. Thank you!

So many exciting things happening within TLC!

- * The narthex and main entrance have been painted.
- * A blanket ladder is in the library displaying Sandy Dixon and her Prayer Shawl group's lovely work.
- * The lights are being replaced, so every room will look and feel the same.
- * New artwork in the restrooms and around the building.
- * Patching and painting to keep our church updated and nice.
- * Storage organization and downsizing.
- * And so much more to come.

If you want to be a part of these transformations, please contact Lindsay in the office.

Lend a hand. Make a suggestion for the sign. Any form of help is always appreciated.



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 7:00am Men's Bible Study (Panera) 6:30pm Bible study (Rm 12) | 2 10:00am Bible Study (Rm 12) | 3 1:00pm - 3:00pm Prayer Shawl (Rm 12) | 4 |
| 5 Graduate Recognition Sunday Pentecost Sunday 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School (Rm 7) 9:20am Bible Study (Rm 12, zoom) 9:20am Youth Bible Study (Youth Rm) | 6 10:00am Summer Study (Rm 12) 7:00pm Board of Elders (Rm 12) | 7 9:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am Bible Study (Rm 12) | 8 7:00am Men's Bible Study (Panera) 8:00am - 4:00pm KK Camp (pavilion) 6:30pm Bible study (Rm 12) 7:00pm Israel Meeting (Rm 12) | 9 10:00am Bible Study (Rm 12) 6:00pm Married Couples Cookout (pavilion) | 10 | 11 |
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Birthdays

- 3 James Bailey

11 Walter Broemsen
- 5 Kathy Vanaman

15 Brian Kuntz
- 7 Diane Richard

16 Ella Craddock-Wahl
- 7 Dennis Gearhart

17 Trudy Heck
- 7 Betty Scaife

21 Richard Goebelt
- 8 Emma Alberts

21 Janet Buckles
- 8 Jim Case

23 Becky Springer
- 10 Robert Whipple

24 Timothy Richard
- 10 Alayna Satterfield

29 Catherine Kenny
- 30 Isaac Parmelee

Anniversaries

- 2 Mr. & Mrs. John Dailey
- 3 Mr. & Mrs. Tim Ross
- 6 Mr. & Mrs. Allen Emmendorfer
- 6 Rev. & Mrs. Douglas Riley
- 19 Mr. & Mrs. Von Alleshouse
- 19 Mr. & Mrs. Josh Eyring
- 20 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bloom
- 21 Mr. & Mrs. Shawn DeWolf
- 23 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Gearhart



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