

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*All services are back in the church sanctuary!*

<b>APR 20</b>	8:30 AM   World Relief Donation Pick Up 6:00 PM   Divine Service with Blessing of the Sanctuary and HC
<b>21</b>	9:00 AM   Divine Service with Blessing of the Sanctuary and HC 10:30 AM   Sunday School ( <i>at school</i> ) 10:30 AM   <i>Pastor John Mueller leads Adult Bible Study</i> 10:30 AM   NONE TODAY: <i>Parenting Bible Study</i> 11:30 AM   Celebratory Lunch
<b>22</b>	-----
<b>23</b>	6:30 AM   Men's <i>Lutheran Witness</i> Discussion
<b>24</b>	8:30 AM   School Chapel ( <i>Rev. Dolde</i> ) 9:30 AM   Women's Bible Study 12:35 PM   Church Staff Meeting 5:45 PM   Brief Service of the Word & Confirmation 5:45 PM   High School Youth Group
<b>25</b>	9:20 AM   Early Childhood Chapel ( <i>Rev. Groth</i> ) 10:00 AM   Good Samaritans 2:00 PM   TLS Operetta 6:30 PM   TLS Operetta
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<b>27</b>	6:00 PM   Divine Service
<b>28</b>	8:00 AM   Pancake Breakfast 9:00 AM   Divine Service with Holy Communion 10:30 AM   Sunday School ( <i>at school</i> ) 10:30 AM   <i>1 Corinthians Adult Bible Study (fellowship hall)</i> 10:30 AM   <i>Parenting Bible Study (school library)</i>

## Blessing of the Sanctuary

Welcome! During the Divine Services this weekend we will offer thanksgiving to God for the completed renovations of the sanctuary and implore God's continued blessings on this holy space in a brief Rite of Blessing. Rev. John Mueller of Dwight, Illinois is our guest preacher this weekend. Bible study (led by Rev. Mueller) and Sunday school will take place at 10:30 AM as usual. *Then join us for lunch at 11:30 AM in the fellowship hall.* This event celebrates the updates made to the sanctuary in honor of Trinity's 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

## No Ruth Guild in April

Ruth Guild will not meet in April. We will resume making quilts on **May 28**.

## Vacation Bible School (VBS) | June 10-13 | 9:00–11:00 AM

Sign up today for VBS using the QR code! Jesus gives us so many things worth celebrating — most importantly, His love and forgiveness. Kids will enjoy games, music, crafts, time with friends, and more while celebrating our Savior! (Kids 3-yrs-old [potty-trained] – 5th grade.)



## Thank You

Thank you for your Hy-Vee receipts! Trinity School turned in three boxes with \$778,495.94 worth of receipts. Wow! That's a tremendous amount receipts for our volunteers to add up! Thank you to all who helped with that task. The school will receive \$3,892.48 from Hy-Vee for our participation in the Cash 4 Students receipt program. Please keep saving your receipts for next year's Cash 4 Students program!

## Welcome Back Everyone!

The Fellowship Board would like to thank everyone who has continued to provide treats while church services were over at the school. We're continuing our Fellowship time after Sunday services with coffee and sweet treats in the fellowship hall. Linger awhile and enjoy conversation with other TLC members! This is an ideal time to meet and greet those you don't know.

Each week treats are provided by those listed in the bulletin under the 'Those Who Are Serving' chart. Look and see if your last name begins with those letters listed. If everyone contributes, it divides the load and we enjoy a variety of treats. The list is also posted in the hallway by the church kitchen door. We love homemade items, but store-bought works, too. Fruit and bagels are always a good option. Thank you for serving in this small way.

Those serving the Lord on April 20 & 21	
<b>Elder:</b>	Mike Pownell
<b>Acolytes:</b>	6:00 PM – None 9:00 AM – Alysinn Kinney & Alexis Jones
<b>Usher Leader:</b>	6:00 PM – Team 4: Kay Lenaburg 9:00 AM – Team 8: Rod Powell
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Lea Hepworth & Heidi Baumert
<b>Fellowship Treats:</b>	Last names beginning with T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

Those serving the Lord on April 27 & 28	
<b>Elder:</b>	TBD
<b>Comm. Assts:</b>	Jon Benya, Jeremy Burkett, Bill Godecke
<b>Acolytes:</b>	6:00 PM – Natalie Riha 9:00 AM – Henry & Claire Kistler
<b>Usher Leader:</b>	6:00 PM – Team 4: Kay Lenaburg 9:00 AM – Team 8: Rod Powell
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Lea Hepworth & Heidi Baumert
<b>Fellowship Treats:</b>	Board of Fellowship

# Trinity Lutheran Church & School

*Know Christ + Grow in Christ + Make Christ Known*



## Fourth Sunday of Easter

**April 20 & 21, 2024**

**6:00 PM Saturday & 9:00 AM Sunday**

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Theodore Groth, 720-737-1283

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. John Dolde, 260-579-6604

Church Secretary: Stacy Brusius

Business Director: Pat Powell

Asst. Business Dir: Shannon Sherman

Youth & Family Ministry: Evan Root

Maintenance: Jeremy Davis

Director of Music: Dr. Susan Benya

Associate Organist: Marilyn Mark

Forgiven Dir/Keyboardist: Joy Ernst

School Secretary: Dana Freymark

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**Church Office Hours:** Mon-Thurs, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM & Fri, 8:00 AM - Noon

## WE WELCOME YOU IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD!

Did you know that heaven meets earth here at Trinity Lutheran Church? It truly does as our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ, the Living Word, joins us to wash us at His font, preach to us from His pulpit, and feed us at His altar. It is our prayer that you would experience with us His lavish grace as we encounter Him through His holy Word and Sacraments.

### CONCERNING HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.



Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

For further study, see Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

### DIETARY NEEDS

If you require a gluten-free Communion wafer, please hold out your hand with a closed fist rather than an open palm during the Sacrament.

Alcohol-removed wine is available during the Sacrament as well in the rose-colored cups in the center of the tray.

### LARGE PRINT & HEARING DEVICES

Large print bulletins & hymnals as well as assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.

### ATTENDANCE CARDS

We ask that guests and members fill out an Attendance Card found in the pew in front of you. During the Offering, please place your completed card in the offering plate.

### CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BULLETINS AND QUIET ROOMS

Two different children's bulletins are available from the ushers: one for ages 3+ and one for ages 7+. In addition, note the insert in the bulletin, with a section for kids. We also have two quiet rooms – one in the back of each wing of the Sanctuary.

### WORSHIP SERVICE BROADCASTS

Trinity's Worship Service is aired with IMON Channel 4 at 2:00 PM on Thursdays and on Mediacom Channel 4 at 8:00 PM on Fridays. The service is also available on YouTube: [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) (The Trinity Lutheran Church—Cedar Rapids).

## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Good Samaritans | Thursday, April 25 | 10:00 AM

We need your help—our Good Samaritans have dwindled, and we have a good number of shut-ins to visit. We're asking the congregation to join us in visiting these folks who need our care. We meet on the last Thursday of each month, starting in the church basement at 10:00 AM. We then pair up and divide the visitation list. Each pair will visit 2-3 people. All you need is cheerful conversation, listening ears and a willing heart!

### TLS Operetta & Silent Auction / Thurs, April 25 | 2 PM & 6:30 PM

TLS's **operetta**, *GPS (God's Plan of Salvation)*, will feature grades 4-8. Join us for either showing in the church sanctuary. This year's **silent auction** will be set-up for bidding after both performances with the final bids accepted a half-hour after the evening performance. We hope to raise \$6,000 for technology upgrades needed before next school year. Come bid on classroom gift baskets, a reserved parking spot, chef for a day, AirFX gift cards, pizza lunch with friends, and more!

### Orange Leaf Fundraiser | Thursday, April 25 | 2:30-8:30 PM

Stop by Orange Leaf Frozen Yogurt at 2300 Edgewood Rd SW for a tasty treat on April 25. They'll be donating 20% of sales to Trinity Lutheran School!

### Lutheran Bible Translators Missionaries | Thurs, April 25 | 6 PM

Nathan and Sarah Federwitz, missionaries with Lutheran Bible Translators, will share a presentation at Bethany Lutheran Church, 2202 Forest Dr SE, Cedar Rapids. They've been training for international missionary service and hope to support Bible translation. Sarah is a deaconess and Nathan is a pilot. They're currently in the training and support-raising phase of their missionary service. They'll share about their training and goal of serving internationally. A lasagna dinner will be served at 6:00 PM followed by the presentation at 6:45 PM. If you plan to attend the meal, please sign up at [bethanycr.org/LBT](https://bethanycr.org/LBT).



### Plant Sale | Orders Due: Thursday, April 25

Order plants to start your summer gardening today! Use the QR code to see what's available & order. Paper forms are available in the church office. Pick up orders on May 10 & 11. Proceeds support TLS.

### Pancake Breakfast | Sunday, April 28 | 8:00-9:00 AM

Trinity's youth will be hosting a pancake breakfast before our Sunday worship service on April 28! Don't miss the chance to fill up on a yummy, fluffy, hot meal! Freewill donations will be taken to support youth activities.

### Backpack & School Supplies Drive | Deadline: Tues, April 30

The Irene Christina Reinking Foundation is collecting backpacks and school supplies for students in Liberia-West Africa. Donations needed include notebooks, pencils, crayons, scissors, glue, new or gently used backpacks, etc. Items may be left in the marked box at church or in the church office. For more details, contact Harrison Kpartipa at 319-651-8243. To learn more about the Irene Christina Reinking Foundation, visit [www.icreinkingfoundation.com](https://www.icreinkingfoundation.com). Ms. Reinking was a member at Trinity.

### Culminating Summary & Review and Confirmation | May 1 & 5

This year's confirmands will participate in a **Culminating Summary & Review** on Wed, May 1. This will be a conversational Q&A-style recap of the doctrine in the Small Catechism between pastor and the confirmands. The students will have their photos taken at 5:00 PM, followed by dinner at 6:00 PM, and the review at 6:45 PM. Families of the confirmands and church members are cordially invited to attend. (See the quarter sheet in the bulletin!)

The **Rite of Confirmation** will take place on Sunday, May 5 during the 9:00 AM worship service. A cake reception will follow in the church fellowship hall.

### National Day of Prayer Chapel | Thursday, May 2 | 8:30 AM

Walk with us to the All Veterans Memorial in Veterans Memorial Park for a special Chapel Service on the National Day of Prayer. (*Note: No Chapel Service on May 1.*)

### Home Missionary | Thursday, May 2 | 1:00 PM

All women of the congregation are invited to join us for our next Home Missionary meeting on May 2. After a brief business meeting in the fellowship hall, we'll tour Noelridge Greenhouse and then stop for ice cream!

### Gathered in Christ, Gathered to Stitch | Sat, May 4 | 9-11 AM

Join us for a morning of dabbling in needlework. Do you crochet, embroider, knit, cross stitch, tat, etc? Bring a project you are working on for a time to create, stitch, and join in fellowship with one another. We'll meet in the church library.

### Graduation Announcements | Due: Monday, May 6

On Sunday, May 19 we'd like to recognize all of our Trinity church members who are graduating! If you're graduating from 8<sup>th</sup> grade (other than TLS), high school, or college, email the church office and let us know at [churchoffice@trinitycr.org](mailto:churchoffice@trinitycr.org). Please include: 1) your name, 2) the school you are graduating from, and 3) the next school you will be attending or your future job/plans after graduation.

### Spring Band Concert & Dinner | Monday, May 6

Come and enjoy an afternoon/evening of music at Trinity Lutheran School's Spring Band Concert! There will be two performances: 2:00 PM and 6:30 PM, both in the school gym. Dinner will be served at 5:00 PM in the church fellowship hall.

### Special Needs Worship Service | Tuesday, May 7

Our Special Needs Worship Services are held on the first Tuesday of each month. Join us for our next service on May 7.

### Parents' Night Out! | Friday, May 10 | 6:00-9:00 PM

Parents, save the date for Parents' Night Out! More information coming soon.

### LWML Tasting Luncheon | Fri, May 17 | 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Come one, come all to LWML's Country Fair Tasting Luncheon on May 17! Enjoy delicious homemade recipes while celebrating Trinity's 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Tickets are \$12.00, available at the door or in advance from LWML/Home Missionary members or the church office.