CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Life Thought in the Church Year

April 28 – Easter 5: It is anxiety and fright that drive folks to pursue abortion, physician-assisted suicide, and other measures that view death as a solution. Fear likewise bullies the sanctity of life into silence. But the Lord's perfect love puts all fear to flight (1 John 4:18). In surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis, we and our neighbors need not independence and empowerment but the presence, promises, and compassion of the Father Almighty.

Servant Recognition

Thank you to everyone who helped with the refurbishment of the Sanctuary, especially our Trustees: Jeremy Scranton (chair), Mark Freeze, Carl Gloe, Chris Heck, Randy Oxley, and Brandon Slaymaker. Your time and hard work are truly appreciated.

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 27 & 28			
Elder:	Matt Sprengeler		
Comm. Assts:	Jon Benya, Jeremy Burkett, Bill Godecke		
Acolutory	6:00 PM – Natalie Riha		
Acolytes:	9:00 AM – Henry & Claire Kistler		
	6:00 PM – Team 4: Kay Lenaburg		
Usher Leader:	9:00 AM – Team 8: Rod Powell		
Altar Guild:	Lea Hepworth & Heidi Baumert		
Fellowship Treats: Board of Fellowship			

Those serving the Lord on May 4 & 5			
Elder:	Joe Young		
Comm. Assts:	Jeremy Burkett, Carl Gloe, Mike Pownell		
Acolutos	6:00 PM – Libby Heck		
Acolytes:	9:00 AM – Tommy Annett & Danny Groth		
	6:00 PM – Team 1: Gary Widdel		
Usher Leader:	9:00 AM – Team 5: Larry Acord		
Altar Guild:	Ron & Lois Henderson, LeAnna Williams, and Danika Burkett		
Fellowship Treats: Last names beginning with A, B, C			

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Know Christ + Grow in Christ + Make Christ Known



Fifth Sunday of Easter April 27 & 28, 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

Church: 319-366-1569 | School: 319-362-6952 | Emergency: 319-350-2498 1363 1st Ave SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405 <u>trinitycr.org</u>

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 rosecolored 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 (The Trinity Lutheran Church—Cedar Rapids).

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Operetta Postponed | New Date/Times: Mon, April 29, 9 AM & 2 PM There will be no evening performance. The operetta will be recorded -- we will do our best to make it available to those who can't attend in person. The silent auction will also be rescheduled. More info to come.

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. 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 guarter 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 8th grade (other than TLS), high school, or college, email the church office and let us know at 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.

Ascension Day Service | Thursday, May 9 | 6:30 PM

Zion Lutheran Church (201 1st Ave, Hiawatha) invites you to an Ascension Day Service. The guest preacher will be Rev. W. Max Mons, First Vice President, Iowa District East and pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Chapel in Iowa City. Refreshments will follow the service.

Parents' Night Out! | Registration Deadline: Thursday, May 9



Scan the QR code and register today for Parents' Night Out on Friday, May 10 from 6:00-9:00 PM! Ages 2+ welcome. Pick up and drop off at the school main entrance. Freewill donations will be taken to support our Youth with their mission trip to Kingston, IL and their trip to the Youth Conference in New Orleans, LA this

summer. Contact Evan Root with any questions at rootej@trinitycr.org.

Voters' Meeting | Tuesday, May 14 | 6:00 PM

Our next Voters' Meeting will be held on May 14 in the fellowship hall. All Trinity Church members at least 18 years old are encouraged to attend.

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 140th Anniversary. Tickets are \$12.00, available at the door or in advance from LWML/Home Missionary members or the church office.

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.)



Summer Staff Needed

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca in Solon, IA is hiring camp counselors for the upcoming summer. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to spend your summer serving as a Christian role model for youth from Eastern Iowa and beyond! Employment begins May 29 and ends August 3. All summer staff go through training in early June to be fully trained in camp activities and safety, including CPR, AED, and first aid training. Candidates should be at least 18 years old. To get started, head on over to nloma.org and complete a summer service profile. Contact Alec Deppe at programdirector@iodiseca.org or 319-848-4187 with any questions and for more info, or check out Camp's website.