

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY	
4	9:00 AM Gathered in Christ, Gathered to Stitch 6:00 PM Divine Service with Holy Communion
5	9:00 AM Divine Service with Holy Communion (Confirmation Sunday) 10:30 AM Confirmation Reception <i>(excerpts of Confirmation papers to be read)</i>
6	<i>High School/College Graduation Announcement Info Due</i> 2:00 PM TLS Spring Band Concert (school gym) 5:00 PM Soup Supper (fellowship hall) 6:30 PM TLS Spring Band Concert (school gym)
7	6:30 AM Men's Lutheran Witness Discussion 10:00 AM Special Needs Worship Service
8	8:30 AM School Chapel (Led by Kindergarteners) 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study 12:00 PM Pokémon Club (fellowship hall) 12:35 PM Church Staff Meeting
9	<i>Parents Night Out Registration Due</i> 9:20 AM Early Childhood Chapel (Rev. Dolde) 6:00 PM Board of Christian Education Meeting
10	8:15 AM Friday Fellowship (fellowship hall) 6:00 PM Parents Night Out (school main entrance)
11	6:00 PM Divine Service
12	9:00 AM Divine Service with Holy Communion 10:30 AM Last Day of Sunday School (at school) 10:30 AM 1 Corinthians Adult Bible Study (fellowship hall) 10:30 AM Parenting Bible Study (school library)



**"GO AND BEAR FRUIT,
THAT YOUR FRUIT SHOULD ABIDE"**

JOHN 15:16B

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.

Did You Know?

One cup of red bell pepper has two times more vitamin C than one medium orange. Compared to green bell peppers, the red ones have almost 11 times more beta-carotene and 2 times more vitamin C.

– Helpful Information from the Board of Human Care

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 May 4 & 5

Elder:	Joe Young
Comm. Assts:	Jeremy Burkett, Carl Gloe, Mike Pownell
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Libby Heck 9:00 AM – Tommy Annett & Danny Groth
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 1: Gary Widdel 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

Those serving the Lord on May 11 & 12

Elder:	Jon Benya
Comm. Assts:	Steve Bruzek, Bill Godecke, Mark Freeze
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Rose Steffens 9:00 AM – Kendall Jones & Xuxa Zangerle
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 1: Gary Widdel 9:00 AM – Team 5: Larry Acord
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Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Know Christ + Grow in Christ + Make Christ Known



Sixth Sunday of Easter

Confirmation Sunday

May 4 & 5, 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

Director of Music: Dr. Susan Benya

Business Director: Pat Powell

Associate Organist: Marilyn Mark

Asst. Business Dir: Shannon Sherman

Forgiven Dir/Keyboardist: Joy Ernst

Youth & Family Ministry: Evan Root

School Secretary: Dana Freymark

Maintenance: Jeremy Davis

Church: 319-366-1569 | **School:** 319-362-6952 | **Emergency:** 319-350-2498

1363 1st Ave SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405

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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 (The Trinity Lutheran Church—Cedar Rapids).

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rite of Confirmation | Sunday, May 5 | 9:00 AM

Congratulations to our confirmands being confirmed this Sunday: Alexis Jones, Alysia Kinney, Henry Kistler, Natalie Riha, and Adalyn Thorstenson. Please join us for a cake reception afterwards in the church fellowship hall; our confirmands will read a portion of their Confirmation papers. Let us encourage them to nurture their relationship with God and live out their faith joyfully and purposefully.

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, Soup Supper, Silent Auction | Mon, May 6

Come and enjoy a delightful 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.

Join us for a **Soup Supper** before the evening band performance at 5:00 PM in the church fellowship hall. We'll serve until 6:15 Pm or until supplies run out!

You can also bid at the **Silent Auction** before both concerts! We hope to raise \$6,000 for school technology upgrades. Come bid on classroom gift baskets, a reserved parking spot, chef for a day, AirFX gift cards, & more! Bidding closes 15 minutes after the evening concert.

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.

Friday Fellowship | Friday, May 10 | 8:15-9:30 AM

Parents, come and join us on May 10 after you drop the kids off at school. We meet in the church fellowship hall for coffee, devotions, and fellowship. We would love for you to join us! This will be the last Friday Fellowship for this school year.

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

Our next Voters' Meeting in the fellowship hall. Agenda items will include:

- Approval of the Feb. 13 and Apr. 7, 2024 Voters' Meeting minutes
- Review and approval of the 2024/2025 Budget (*see pink insert*)
- Church Sanctuary remodel report
- Pastors, School, Staff, Boards, Financial reports

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.

Trinity Kernels Night | Saturday, May 18 | Meet at 5:30 PM



Let's tailgate before the Kernels game! The Kernels are battling the Quad Cities River Bandits! Meet us in the school parking lot at 5:30 PM for delicious food (hosted by Trinity's Youth), then head over to the game by 6:35 PM. Fireworks will cap off the evening. Tickets are \$12.00 each (a \$4.00 savings) but must be purchased by May 17! Tickets are full price the day of the game. Kids 3 and under are free if they sit on a parent's lap. Purchase tickets online using the QR code; select the TRINITY LUTHERAN section of 115 or 116 when ordering. You may also call the Kernels Ticket Office at 319-896-7560 (mention that you are with Trinity Lutheran School when ordering by phone).

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.)



New Address, Phone # or Email Address?

Remember to let the church office know your new contact info! Call or email Stacy at 319-366-1569 or churchoffice@trinitycr.org.

LIFE THOUGHT IN THE CHURCH YEAR

May 5 – Easter 6: Surprise pregnancy does involve difficulties too great for our abilities. Terminal diagnosis indeed comes with insurmountable obstacles. Taking life-and-death matters into one's own hands only compounds the problems. Instead, trust the Son of God to overcome and deliver out of every threat (1 John 5:4). Cry out to Jesus in repentance and prayer, for the Father above will not fail to supply immediate and eternal salvation (John 15:16).

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES	\$ 147,000	\$ 145,218
BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP	\$ 3,900	\$ 4,000
BOARD OF EVANGELISM	\$ 25,500	\$ 15,100
BOARD OF ENDOWMENT	\$ -	\$ -
BOARD OF HUMAN CARE	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,900
BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,000
BOARD OF PARISH FELLOWSHIP	\$ 400	\$ 250
BOARD OF PUBLIC RELATIONS	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
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EARLY CHILDHOOD		
EARLY CHILDHOOD INCOME	\$ 681,038	\$ 774,871
EARLY CHILDHOOD EXPENSE		
WAGES & BENEFITS	\$ 578,677	\$ 643,366
PROGRAMMING & CURRICULUM	\$ 28,600	\$ 31,785
SUPPLIES	\$ 17,300	\$ 23,480
MAINTENANCE & UTILITIES	\$ 15,455	\$ 22,000
TOTAL EARLY CHILDHOOD EXPENSE	\$ 640,032	\$ 720,631
EARLY CHILDHOOD INCOME LESS EXPENSE	\$ 41,006	\$ 54,240

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CAFETERIA		
CAFETERIA INCOME	\$ 169,236	\$ 176,920
CAFETERIA EXPENSE		
WAGES & BENEFITS	\$ 103,347	\$ 107,914
FOOD	\$ 50,496	\$ 58,563
SUPPLIES	\$ 22,235	\$ 14,732
TOTAL CAFETERIA EXPENSE	\$ 176,078	\$ 181,209
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