

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| OCT | |
| 26 | <i>Reformation (Observed)</i> 6:00 PM Divine Service with Holy Communion |
| 27 | <i>Reformation (Observed)</i> 9:00 AM Divine Service with Holy Communion 10:30 AM <i>Navigating through Political Extremes (fellowship hall)</i> 10:30 AM Sunday School (<i>school</i>) |
| 28 | 6:00 PM Voters' Meeting |
| 29 | 6:30 AM Men's <i>Lutheran Witness</i> Discussion |
| 30 | 8:30 AM School Chapel (<i>Led by TLS Faculty</i>) 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study 12:00 PM Church Staff Meeting 5:45 PM Confirmation & High School Youth Group Outing |
| 31 | 9:00, 9:15, 9:50 AM Early Childhood Chapel 9:30 AM Good Samaritans |
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TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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

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| 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: Isaac Meister | Interim Principal: Jan Doellinger |

Church: 319-366-1569 | **School:** 319-362-6952 | **Emergency:** 319-350-2498
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Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM & Fri, 8:00 AM - Noon

Stewardship Education Campaign & ILSTO

Our annual stewardship education campaign begins this weekend. A letter from Pastor Groth, pledge card for 2025, and return envelope were mailed to the congregation last week. Additional copies can be obtained in the church office if needed. The theme for this year's campaign is based on Proverbs 3:9, Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce.

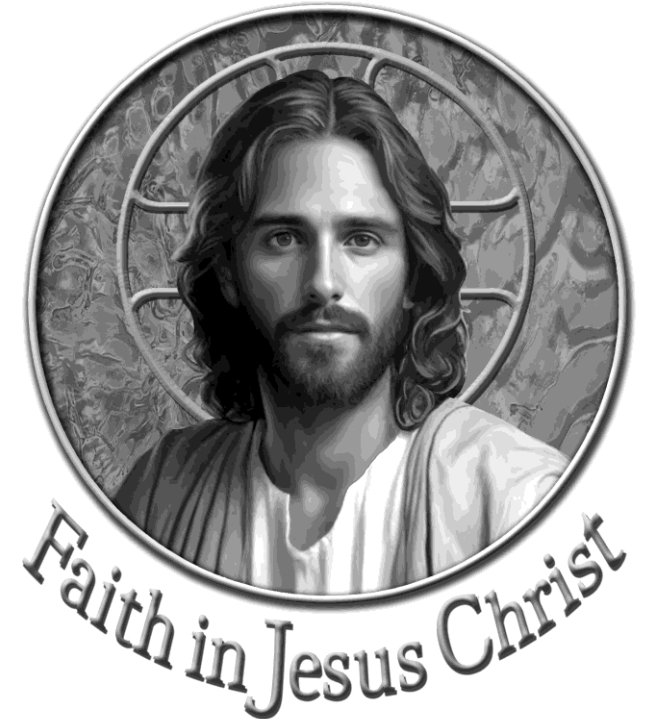
As you prayerfully consider how God is leading you to distribute the resources he has generously given, please keep the Iowa Lutheran Student Tuition Organization (ILSTO) in mind. ILSTO (STO for short) is still around — even after the introduction of ESA accounts — and is an important tool in helping families afford a Lutheran education. For example, ESA does not cover all of the expenses associated with a Lutheran education, nor can ESA help families who enroll at Trinity after the ESA deadline has passed. STO funds are needed to fill the gaps ESA does not cover. Plus, STO still offers donors a 75% tax **credit** on their Iowa State Income Taxes. Furthermore, 25% of your STO donation qualifies as an itemized charitable deduction on your federal income tax return. Any Iowa taxpayer, C-Corp, S-Corp, LLC, or partnership can participate in ILSTO. Donations must be received by the end of this calendar year to be eligible. Please see the display by the grand piano to obtain a donation form and information pamphlet...and please share this important news!

| Those serving the Lord on October 26 & 27 | |
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| Elder: | Jon Benya |
| Comm. Assts: | Carl Gloe, Mike Pownell, Steve Bruzek |
| Acolytes: | 6:00 PM – Rose Steffens 9:00 AM – Kendall Jones & Claire Krenz |
| Usher Leader: | 6:00 PM – Team 2: John Kreutner & Jesse Kiracofe 9:00 AM – Team 6: Darwin Pooch |
| Altar Guild: | Ron & Lois Henderson and John & Stephanie Kreutner |
| Fellowship Treats: | Last names beginning with W, X, Y, Z |

| Those serving the Lord on November 2 & 3 | |
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| Elder: | Steve Bruzek |
| Comm. Assts: | Carl Gloe, Mike Pownell, Mark Freeze |
| Acolytes: | 6:00 PM – Genevieve Wilkin 9:00 AM – Kaelyn Erickson & Adrienne Smith |
| Usher Leader: | 6:00 PM – Team 3: Carl Gloe 9:00 AM – Team 7: Bob Heyer |
| Altar Guild: | Kay & Gerry Lenaburg and Bob & Gail Horne |
| Fellowship Treats: | Last names beginning with A, B, C |

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Know Christ + Grow in Christ + Make Christ Known



Reformation Day (observed)

October 26 & 27, 2024
6:00 PM Saturday & 9:00 AM Sunday

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

Reformation Service | Sunday, October 27 | 4:00 PM

St. Silas Lutheran Church (70 Circle Dr, Ste C, North Liberty) invites to you celebrate the Reformation at their mission church planted in North Liberty by the Iowa District East LCMS. Pastor Jesse Cearlock from Our Redeemer-Dubuque will be preaching and Vacancy Pastor Kris Kincaid will be the liturgist.

Voters' Meeting | Monday, October 28 | 6:00 PM

Our next Voters' Meeting will be held on October 28 in the fellowship hall. All Trinity Church members at least 18 years old are encouraged to attend. Agenda items include:

1. Employee Retention Credit (ERC) fund - approval of partial fund disbursement.
2. Approval of the 2025 District Convention Lay (and Alternate) delegate.
3. Approval of the Nominating Committee for 2025-2027 Officers/Boards.

Good Samaritans | Thursday, October 31 | 9:30 AM

Good Samaritans would like to invite all with a caring heart to join us. Good Samaritans visit Trinity's homebound members, usually on the last Thursday of the month, but you can visit people whenever it fits your schedule. We have a short meeting each month for the Samaritans at 9:30 AM. For further information or to come on board, call Sandy Pooch at 319-899-3825.

Special Voters' Meeting | Sunday, November 3 10:30 AM (After Worship Service)

Agenda Item: Principal Call Meeting

Tim Walz has returned the call Trinity previously extended.

Gathered in Christ, Gathered to Create | Sat, Nov. 2 | 9-11 AM

Come and dabble in a hobby you enjoy with us. Bring your own supplies to craft, color, crochet, knit, scrapbook, etc. We will meet in the church library. We're excited to see you and look forward to seeing lots of creativity!

Special Needs Worship Service | Tues, Nov. 5 | 10:00 AM

Our next Special Needs Service will be on November 10. This service has minimal standing and large print bulletins. Hearing devices are also available. Join us for coffee and treats in the west fellowship hall following the service.

Home Missionary | Thursday, November 7 | 1:00 PM

Join us on November 7 to assemble and deliver cookie plates to Trinity's homebound members! Anyone who would like to bake cookies and join us in delivering them is welcome. Call Sandy Pooch with questions at 319-899-3825.

Liberian School Project

This is the final week to contribute to the Gboawuta, Liberia School Project before Trinity member Harrison Kpartipa leaves for Africa on November 4. He is trying to raise \$2,500 to layout the floor of the school. Please make any donations payable to Irene Christina Reinking Foundation (ICRF) and write Gboawuta project (G. Project) on the memo line. Checks may be mailed to Irene Christina Reinking Foundation, 2400 28th Ave, Marion, IA 52302. Prayers for Harrison's trip and the construction of the school are also greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Fellowship at The Edison | Friday, November 8 | 6-9 PM

Join us for a delightful social gathering where we can connect, laugh, and enjoy each other's company. It's the perfect opportunity to bring friends and share in meaningful conversations where faith might naturally come up. You can come and go as you please. Whether you're a long-time member of Trinity or new to our community, everyone is welcome! Let's make this evening a memorable one filled with joy and fellowship. Contact Matt Sprengeler, 319-213-3785, with questions or to let us know you'll be there. Location: The Edison Pub & Eatery, 475 Northland Ave NE, Cedar Rapids.

Holiday Assistance | Deadline: Sunday, November 10

The Board of Human Care is giving gift cards at Thanksgiving time to Trinity Church & School families in need. We are asking Trinity members to assist us by purchasing \$25 Walmart gift cards. We plan to give two gift cards to each family. Gift cards or donated cash in any amount may be placed in an envelope marked 'Holiday Assistance' and placed in the collection plate or dropped off in the church office by November 10. If there is anyone who you feel should be on the list to receive these cards, please contact the church office: churchoffice@trinitycr.org. All names will remain confidential.

Used Eyeglass Collection

We are collecting used eyeglasses for the Lions Club. No sunglasses please. Place glasses in the container provided in west fellowship hall. Any questions, contact Jeanette Kellerman at 319-360-4823.

Resurfacing the Parsonage Driveway Project

Thank you for your donations for the parsonage driveway project so far; we have raised \$4,530. We still have a way to go, though. The cost to resurface is approximately \$9,999. Any amount you can donate is appreciated. To help cover some of the costs, please scan the QR code to give online or write 'Parsonage Driveway' in the memo line of your check. Thank you for any help you can give.

