

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAR

- 15 9:00 AM | Gathered in Christ, Gathered to Create
6:00 PM | Divine Service with Holy Communion (*Rev. Lemke*)
- 16 9:00 AM | Divine Service with Holy Communion (*Rev. Lemke*)
10:30 AM | Adult Bible Study (*Rev. Lemke, fellowship hall*)
- 17 *St. Patrick's Day*
- 18 6:00 PM | Elders Meeting
- 19 12:00 PM | Lenten Worship Service (*Rev. Francik*)
6:00 PM | Lenten Worship Service (*Rev. Francik*)
- 20 9:00 AM | Dorcas Guild
- 21 *Church Office Closed*
11:30 AM | Fellowship Club at 16th Ave Grill
- 22 6:00 PM | Divine Service with Holy Communion (*Rev. Francik*)
- 23 9:00 AM | Divine Service with Holy Communion (*Rev. Francik*)
10:30 AM | Adult Bible Study (*Rev. Francik, fellowship hall*)
10:30 AM | Sunday School (*at school*)

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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

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

Cover Art: Bill Godecke

Church: 319-366-1569 | **School:** 319-362-6952 | **Emergency:** 319-350-2498
1363 1st Ave SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405

trinitycr.org

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

| Those serving the Lord on March 15 & 16 | |
|---|---|
| Elder: | Mike Pownell |
| Comm. Asst: | 9:00 AM – Jon Benya, Carl Gloe, Steve Bruzek |
| Acolytes: | 6:00 PM – Benjamin Wilkin 9:00 AM – Danny Groth & Tommy Annett |
| Usher Leader: | 6:00 PM – Team 3: Carl Gloe 9:00 AM – Team 7: Bob Heyer |
| Altar Guild: | Teri Burkett and Brad Rhein |
| Fellowship Treats: | Last names beginning with G, H, I |

| Those serving the Lord on Wednesday, March 19 | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Elder: | Matt Sprengeler |
| Acolytes: | 6:00 PM – Libby Heck |
| Usher Leader: | 6:00 PM – Team 7: Bob Heyer |

| Those serving the Lord on March 22 & 23 | |
|---|--|
| Elder: | Jon Benya |
| Comm. Assts: | 9:00 AM – Carl Gloe, Jeremy Burkett, Steve Bruzek |
| Acolytes: | 6:00 PM – Sophie Slaymaker 9:00 AM – Rhylin Kinney & Claire Krenz |
| Usher Leader: | 6:00 PM – Team 3: Carl Gloe 9:00 AM – Team 7: Bob Heyer |
| Altar Guild: | Teri Burkett and Brad Rhein |
| Fellowship Treats: | Last names beginning with J, K, L |

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Know Christ + Grow in Christ + Make Christ Known



SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

March 15-16, 2025

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

Midweek Lenten Services | Wednesday, March 19

Join us for our next midweek Lenten worship services on March 19 at Noon and 6:00 PM. Please note that we will not be serving meals this week.

Fellowship Club | Friday, March 21 | 11:30 AM

Have lunch with the Fellowship Club at 16th Avenue Grill (3130 16th Ave SW, Cedar Rapids)! We'll enjoy delicious food, good conversation and devotions. All are welcome! Call Sandy Pooch with any questions at 319-842-2424.

Church Office Closed | Friday, March 21

The church office will be closed on Friday, March 21.

Thrivent Choice Dollars® | Deadline: Monday, March 31

Thank you to all of the Thrivent members who directed their Choice Dollars® to Trinity Lutheran Church – Cedar Rapids. If you haven't done so already, please consider directing any remaining 2024 Choice Dollars® to us by March 31. Every little bit helps as we continue Christ's mission.

LWML CR Zone Spring Event | Saturday, April 12

Ladies, please join us for the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Cedar Rapids Zone Spring Event on Saturday, April 12 at Trinity. Registration opens at 8:30 AM; brunch and our program start at 9:00 AM. Our theme comes from Psalm 22:30-32: *Future generations will be told about the Lord. They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn: He has done it!* Richard Hoelz will share his knowledge about "Lutheran Hour Ministries – Something for Everyone." Ingathering gifts will go to Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. The Camp needs paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, kleenex, stamps, and cleaning supplies. Cash donations are also helpful. Hope you all can come! Please sign up by Monday, April 7 on the LWML bulletin board in the main fellowship hall.

High School Youth Group Prayer Partners



We are looking for prayer partners for our high schoolers who are attending the Youth Gathering in New Orleans this July. Prayer partners will be assigned a student at random and will receive further instructions via mail and email. There will be opportunities to meet, hangout with, and serve alongside your student both before and after the gathering. To sign up, scan the QR code or fill out a card downstairs by the office entrance. Thank you for partnering with our youth! None of this would be possible without God's guiding hand in your support and prayers for our youth. Contact Evan Root with any questions, rootej@trinitycr.org.

Let's Get Ready for Baby Root!

We're hosting a diaper, baby wipes, and Walmart gift card drive to help Evan and Emily Root prep for their new little one. Evan is Trinity's Youth & Family Director, and Emily is one of our kindergarten teachers at TLS. Baby Root (a boy!) is due to arrive on April 18. Look for the sign and box at the church entrances to leave wipes and diapers. Gift cards may be given to Crystal Krenz, the church office or school office.

Good Samaritans

The Good Samaritans are seeking 1-2 individuals who enjoy talking to people. You will be visiting Trinity's homebound members once a month (more if you'd like to!) The people you visit will live close to each other, most likely in one care center. You may visit on your own or be paired up with someone. Please contact Sandy Pooch to help at 319-899-3825.

Principal Call Update

Trinity voters extended a call to Kyle Klemp for the role of school principal on February 2. Mr. Klemp has returned (declined) the call. We continue to seek God's plan for Trinity Lutheran School as we discuss options for leadership during the 2025-2026 school year. Please continue to keep TLS in your prayers. The current staff continues to uphold the mission and ministry of the school while providing a Christ-focused education to all of our students.

Building Healthy Families

How was your day, honey? Arriving home from work, school, or a day away, you may be the one who asks – or hears – this familiar question. While there's nothing wrong with the question, what would happen if you would dig just a little bit deeper to connect more with your spouse, children, grandchildren, neighbor, or friend? Maybe instead try something like this: *I'm developing my prayer list for this week - what's a challenge you are facing right now or have coming up that I can pray about for you? Or, we believe the Bible's promise that God is with us all the time. Where did you see Him today?* Then see where God may take the conversation! www.LutheranFamilyService.org

A Life Thought in the Church Year

March 16 – Lent 2: The heart of Christianity is proclaiming Gospel promises courageously. Jeremiah (Jeremiah 26:8) follows the lead of Jesus Himself (Luke 13:31-32) in speaking of God's truth and Christ's love even when unpopular. They believe their lives—and everyone else's—belong in the Heavenly Father's hands above all. Gospel-motivated voices For Life, take note!