

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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- 12** 8:30 AM | LWML Cedar Rapids Zone Spring Event
6:00 PM | **PALM SUNDAY** Divine Service with Holy Communion
- 13** 9:00 AM | **PALM SUNDAY** Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:30 AM | *1 Corinthians* Adult Bible Study (*fellowship hall*)
10:30 AM | Sunday School (*at school*)
- 14** 6:00 PM | Voters' Meeting re: School HVAC (*fellowship hall*)
- 15** 6:30 AM | Men's *Lutheran Witness* Discussion
12:00 PM | Church Staff Meeting
- 16** 9:30 AM | Women's Bible Study
5:00 PM | Youth Group meets at Trinity, then goes to Gospel Mime
7:00 PM | Confirmation Class meets at King of Kings for Gospel Mime
- 17** 10:00 AM | **HOLY THURSDAY** Service with Holy Communion
12:30 PM | Good Samaritans
6:00 PM | **HOLY THURSDAY** Service with Holy Communion
- 18** 9:00 AM | **GOOD FRIDAY** Service for Early Child. 2s & 3s (*classroom*)
12:00 PM | **GOOD FRIDAY** Service (*Rev. Lemke, school gym*)
1:30 PM | Fellowship Club at Leonardo's
6:00 PM | **GOOD FRIDAY** Service (*Rev. Lemke, sanctuary*)
- 19** 6:00 PM | **EASTER VIGIL** with Holy Communion
- 20** 7:00 AM | **EASTER SUNDAY** Service with Holy Communion
8:00 AM | Easter Breakfast (*hosted by Trinity's Youth*)
9:00 AM | **EASTER SUNDAY** Service with Holy Communion

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

A Life Thought in the Church Year

April 13 – Palm Sunday: Incarnation, atonement, and resurrection from the dead have earned Jesus Christ authority over the manner of our living and the timing of our dying (Deut. 32:39). Even in surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis, we may commit human life's course to His loving care, for His own humble humanity has sanctified every moment of ours (Phil. 2:8-9).

Those serving the Lord on April 12-13	
Elder:	Bill Godecke
Comm. Asst:	9:00 AM – Carl Gloe, Mark Freeze, Mike Pownell
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Henry Steffens 9:00 AM – Oliver Kistler & Danny Groth
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 4: Kay Lenaburg 9:00 AM – Team 8: Rod Powell
Altar Guild:	Lea Hepworth and Heidi Baumert
Fellowship Treats: Last names beginning with P, Q, R, S	
Those serving the Lord on Holy Thursday: April 17	
Elder:	10:00 AM – Carl Gloe 6:00 PM – Jeremy Burkett
Comm. Asst.	6:00 PM – Carl Gloe, Bill Godecke, Matt Sprengeler
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Tommy Annett
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 3: Carl Gloe
Those serving the Lord on Good Friday: April 18	
Elder:	12:00 PM – Larry Acord 6:00 PM – Carl Gloe
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Roen Boehmke
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 4: Kay Lenaburg
Those serving the Lord on Holy Saturday: April 19	
Elder:	6:00 PM – Matt Sprengeler
Comm. Asst.	Carl Gloe
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 7: Bob Heyer
Those serving the Lord on Easter Sunday: April 20	
Elder:	7:00 & 9:00 AM – Steve Bruzek
Comm. Assts:	7:00 & 9:00 AM – Elders
Acolytes:	7:00 AM – Sophie Slaymaker & Libby Heck 9:00 AM – Claire Kistler & Ava Manthe
Usher Leader:	7:00 AM – Team 5: Larry Acord 9:00 AM – Team 6: Darwin Pooch
Altar Guild:	Lea Hepworth and Heidi Baumert
Easter Breakfast: Hosted by Trinity's Youth	

Servant Recognition

Thank you to Di, Dan, and Ben Koehn for making sure that attendance cards, envelopes, and sharpened pencils are in the pews for every service. We are truly thankful for the time you've invested.

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Know Christ + Grow in Christ + Make Christ Known



PALM SUNDAY

April 12-13, 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

Trinity Lutheran School Artwork | Display ends Sun, April 13

Take a few minutes to check out our students' artwork in the west foyer!

Easter Lilies | Orders Due: Palm Sunday, April 13



Help us decorate the altar with glorious blooms for Easter! Easter lilies are \$10.00 each and may be given in memory of a loved one or to the Glory of God. To order, complete a form found in your bulletin. Return the form with your payment to the church office or put it in the collection plate. Envelopes are available in the back of the pew ahead of you. You may also pay and complete the form online using the QR Code. Orders are due on April 13.

Voters' Meeting | Monday, April 14 | 6:00 PM

All Trinity Church voting members are encouraged to join us in the fellowship hall for our next voters' meeting. We'll discuss approving expenditures of \$13,500.00 (Shive Hattery quote) from the ERC Fund to complete a structural analysis of the school gym roof to determine requirements for installation of roof top HVAC units.

Holy Week & Easter Services

Holy Thursday – April 17 at 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM

Good Friday – April 18 at Noon (*in school gym*) & 6:00 PM

Holy Saturday – April 19 at 6:00 PM (*Easter Vigil*)

Easter Sunday – April 20 at 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM. Breakfast at 8:00 AM.

Fellowship Club | Friday, April 18 | 1:30 PM

NEW TIME: Fellowship Club is meeting for lunch at Leonardo's (2228 16th Ave SW, Cedar Rapids)! Come after the Noon Good Friday Service in the school gym. All are welcome. Call Sandy Pooch with any questions at 319-842-2424.

Church Office Closed | Monday, April 21

The church office will be closed on Easter Monday. Pastor Groth will also be off Tuesday, April 22, with Pastor Lemke on call for him.

Voters' Meeting | Thursday, April 24 | 6:00 PM

A special voters' meeting will be held on April 24 in the fellowship hall. Agenda Item: calling an associate pastor.

LWR Truck Loading | Sat, Apr. 26 | 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM

The Lutheran World Relief truck is coming to Trinity! We need help loading the truck with quilts, school kits and personal care kits. In 2024, 689,814 quilts and kits were delivered to children, women and men in sixteen countries around the world! To assist, please call Dori Stanek at 319-558-9773.

Tasting Luncheon | Friday, May 16 | 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Save the date for this year's LWML Tasting Luncheon! Tickets are \$12 reserved or \$14 at the door. Call Shirley McCord to reserve your tickets: 319-365-4961. People are also needed to bring salads and desserts. They can be dropped off the day before or the morning of by 9:30 AM. If you can help, contact Sandy Pooch at 319-842-2424 or sandypooch@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) | June 9-12 | 9-11 AM

This summer, kids are invited to join us for an epic adventure through Australia during VBS! We'll encounter amazing animals, lush landscapes, and wondrous wilderness. And most importantly, we'll be guided by our Savior, Jesus, who tells us, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life." John 14:6 (Kids 3-yrs-old [potty-trained] – 5th grade.) Register online using the QR code.



Board of Endowment Update

The board's oversight includes the Endowment Fund investment and the small, annual draw that is received and distributed. Additionally, the board has oversight for memorials and bequests received on behalf of Trinity Church. The school has their own Endowment Fund and Memorial account oversight.

In the past year, we received several generous, undesignated bequests from the estates of Bob Stueber, Irene Reinking and Gary Rinderknecht. We are ever grateful to these former members for keeping Trinity in their estate planning. In addition to these gifts, another \$3,057 was received in memorial.

In 2024, the board approved financial support to Trinity college students attending a Concordia college, the youth that attended the LCMS Youth Practitioner's conference in New Orleans, the purchase of the replacement Christ candle holder and remaining landscaping for the south entrance. The board will be seeking the Lord's guidance on the best use of the financial gifts we currently have at our disposal.

If there are occasions where you wish to give in memory or in honor of someone, please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church or Trinity Lutheran School and indicate on the memo line who it is in memory of. Additionally, if you or a family member are evaluating your estate plan, please let us know if you have any questions.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Tracy Freeze at 319-270-4750 or freezet25@gmail.com.

Principal Call Update

The Principal Call Committee is reaching out to five principal candidates. As they hear back from those open to a call, interviews will be scheduled. Afterward, the committee will compile a final list of candidates to present to Trinity's voters. Please continue to pray for patience, strength, and hope as we wait on God's perfect timing and guidance.