# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SAT, 11/8	11:00 AM   Funeral Service for Lola Reisner 6:00 PM   Divine Service with Holy Communion	
SUN, 11/9	9:00 AM   Divine Service with Holy Communion 10:30 AM   Adult Bible Studies (fellowship hall) 10:30 AM   Sunday School (school gym)	
MON, 11/10	8:30 AM   Veteran's Day Assembly (school gym)	
TUE, 11/11	6:30 AM   Men's Lutheran Witness Discussion 9:00 AM   Winkel – Circuit Pastors' Mtg (St. Paul's, Iowa City) 2:00 PM   TLS Band Concert (gym) 3:00 PM   TLS Orange Leaf Fundraiser (Edgewood Rd location) 6:30 PM   TLS Band Concert (gym)	
WED, 11/12	8:30 AM   School Chapel – Rev. Bahn 9:30 AM   Women's Bible Study (library) 12:00 PM   Church Staff Meeting (library) 4:30 PM   Middle School Youth Group (fellowship hall) 6:00 PM   High School Youth Group (school gym)	
THU, 11/13	9:00 AM   Early Childhood Chapels – <i>Pastor Groth</i> 2:00 PM   Human Care Meeting <i>(library)</i> 5:30 PM   Endowment Fund Workshop & Dinner <i>(school)</i>	
FRI, 11/14		
SAT, 11/15	Book Fair <i>(west fellowship hall)</i> 6:00 PM   Divine Service with Holy Communion	
SUN, 11/16	Book Fair (west fellowship hall) 9:00 AM   Divine Service with Holy Communion; TLS K-1st Grade sing during worship 10:30 AM   Adult Bible Studies (fellowship hall) 10:30 AM   Sunday School (school gym)	

#### TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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

#### **Stewardship**

We are in the midst of Trinity's Stewardship Campaign, "Abundant Blessings," based on 2 Cor. 9:8. A letter and pledge card for 2026 were mailed to members. Pledge cards can be returned in the church office, offering plate, or pledge card box by the grand piano. In addition to faithful worship attendance, please prayerfully consider a personal challenge of increasing your financial offering by 1% or more in the coming year if circumstances permit. Please also consider committing to at least one volunteer activity at church. The Board of Stewardship refers to this as the "challenge of one." If you prefer, automated giving forms (Simply Giving) are available at the piano display as well as ILSTO (Iowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization) forms. ILSTO donations support our school and provide the donor with a 75% Iowa tax credit! Thank you, Board of Stewardship

# **Principal's Corner**

O, give thanks unto the Lord for He is good! Welcome to November! We are drawing closer to Thanksgiving time, and this month gives us opportunities to focus on how much God blesses us each day. We have a lot to give Him thanks for!

Parent-teacher conferences are this week. We are thankful for the partnerships we have with our families to work with and educate their children. We are thankful for you!

We have a special Veterans' Day Assembly scheduled for Monday, Nov. 10 at 8:30 AM in the school gym. We give thanks for all of those who have served in our armed forces in keeping our country free to serve our Lord. Thank you, all!

Our district has provided us with this excellent resource for digital awareness for children. It provides free resources to help families engage in healthy, Biblical-based decisions when using social media and digital tools. It is our prayer that these resources can aid and bless your family during this digital age. Scan the QR code to access the video.



Have a blessed week! In Christ, Karen Bahn, Principal

# **Christ Lutheran High School**

Preparing Students to be Christian Leaders in all Walks of Life

With thanksgiving, we are grateful to God for His blessings on our work as we continue to move forward in our endeavor to open a Lutheran high school in the Cedar Rapids metropolitan area. Already, Christ Lutheran High School is incorporated with the State of Iowa. We are awaiting approval from the IRS of our application for nonprofit status.

But we're not just waiting around; the Board of Directors, made up of members from LCMS congregations in Benton and Linn counties, meets monthly to work on modules provided by the Iowa Association of Christian Schools that give guidance for the start-up of a new Christian School. And there is a lot of work being done between meetings as well. Want to know how you can get involved? Contact Mark Mueller at themarkmueller56@gmail.com.

The Christ Lutheran High School Board of Directors

# Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Know Christ + Grow in Christ + Make Christ Known



22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 8-9, 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+. 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**

## **Veteran's Day | November 8-10**

Veterans, please join us for worship on Saturday, November 8 at 6 PM or Sunday, November 9 at 9 AM in the sanctuary *and* for Trinity School's Veteran's Day Assembly on Monday, November 10 at 8:30 AM in the school gym. We would like to recognize and thank you for your dedicated service to our country.

## TLS Fall Band Concert | Tues, Nov. 11 | 2 PM & 6:30 PM

The Trinity Lutheran School Band is performing twice on November 11. Have a seat in the school gym and hear our talented 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade musicians play!

Orange Leaf Fundraiser | Tues, Nov. 11 | 3:00-9:00 PM Stop by Orange Leaf Frozen Yogurt at 2300 Edgewood Rd SW for a tasty treat on November 11. They'll donate 20% of sales to Trinity Lutheran School – just let them know you're with Trinity!

#### Endowment Fund Workshop & Dinner | Thurs, Nov. 13

Attend our free workshop on Nov. 11 from 5:30-7:30 PM to learn how an endowment fund can sustain our school or other nonprofit's mission well into the future. Learn about the role of an endowment fund and how it works; learn the difference between Give Now, Give Later, and Give & Receive gifts; and leave with the concrete steps to get started. Enjoy dinner while learning how to safeguard future access to quality Christian education for our children at Trinity Lutheran School. RSVP to the Thrivent office at <a href="mailto:teresa.burkett@thrivent.com">teresa.burkett@thrivent.com</a> or 319-366-2991. If possible, please sign up by Nov. 10 to help us plan dinner; however, walk-ins are welcome.

# Gathered in Christ, Gathered to Create | Sat, Nov. 15 | 9-11 AM

Love to paint, knit, scrapbook, or tinker with a hobby? Bring your supplies and spend a relaxed morning creating alongside others who enjoy the same! We're gathering for a time of creativity, conversation, and connection — all in a warm, Christ-centered setting. No project is too small. Bring your favorite materials, your enthusiasm, and a heart for fellowship. Meet in the church library. We can't wait to see what you're working on — and maybe even start something new together!

## TLS K-1<sup>st</sup> Grade Sing in Worship | Sunday, November 16 We're excited to have Trinity Lutheran School's kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade

We're excited to have Trinity Lutheran School's kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grad classes sing during our 9:00 AM worship service on November 16.

# Fellowship Club | Friday, November 21 | 11:30 AM

Fellowship Club is meeting at Leonardo's on November 21! Join us for delicious food, great conversation and devotions. All are welcome.

## Christmas Poinsettias | Orders Due: Sunday, November 23 Help us beautify the sanctuary for Christmas with poinsettias! See insert for details.

# Blood Drive | Tuesday, November 25 | 2:30-5:30 PM

Join us for a blood drive in the Fellowship Hall on Nov. 25. Your donation helps save lives and supports Trinity teen Elly Wolfe as she works toward her Student Impact Award. To book your spot to give, call 1-800-747-5401 or scan the QR code. Appointments preferred, walk-ins welcome as schedule allows. Thank you!



## **Holiday Assistance Thank You**

The Board of Human Care would like to thank everyone who donated gift cards or funds to the Holiday Assistance program for their generosity. We have surpassed our goal for the year and are excited to send Walmart gift cards to Trinity Church & School families who need a little extra help this holiday season.

# **Servant Recognition**

We would like to thank Dori Stanek for organizing the pick up of quilts and school kits for Lutheran World Relief on October 18. We would also like to thank the volunteers who helped load the semi. Your service was invaluable.

## A Life Thought in the Church Year

**November 9 – Pentecost 22:** God is defined by life! He identifies Himself as the great "I am" (Exodus 3:14), the true and living God. Jesus also teaches us that not only is God the living God, He is also the God of the living (Luke 20:38)! The Lord of life values the lives of all people so highly that He gives life to all people; He died to rescue all people from their slavery to sin, death, and the devil regardless of their size, age, or condition; and He promises resurrection and everlasting life to all who believe in Him.

Those serving the Lord on November 8-9		
Elder:	Chris Kistler	
Comm. Asst:	9:00 AM – Steve Bruzek, Matt Sprengeler, Bill Godecke	
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Amelia Horne	
Acolytes:	9:00 AM – Atley Johnson & Xuxa Zangerle	
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 3: Carl Gloe	
Osher Leader:	9:00 AM – Team 7: Bob Heyer	
Altar Guild:	Kay & Gerry Lenaburg and Bob & Gail Horne	
Fellowship Treats: Last names beginning with D, E, F		

Those serving the Lord on November 15-16		
Elder:	Matt Sprengeler	
Comm. Assts:	9:00 AM – Carl Gloe, Mike Pownell, Christ Kistler	
Acalutace	6:00 PM – Kylie Riha	
Acolytes:	9:00 AM – Jack & Wyatt Manthe	
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 3: Carl Gloe	
Osner Leader:	9:00 AM – Team 7: Bob Heyer	
Altar Guild:	Kay & Gerry Lenaburg and Bob & Gail Horne	
Fellowship Treats: Last names beginning with G, H, I		