

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SAT, 2/14	9:00 AM Gathered in Christ, Gathered to Create (<i>library</i>) 6:00 PM Divine Service with Holy Communion
SUN, 2/15	9:00 AM Divine Service with Holy Communion 10:30 AM Adult Bible Study (<i>fellowship hall</i>) 10:30 AM Stewardship Meeting (<i>Evan's Office</i>)
MON, 2/16	6:00 PM Evangelism Meeting
TUE, 2/17	6:30 AM Men's <i>Lutheran Witness</i> Discussion 12:00 PM Church Staff Meeting (<i>library</i>) 6:00 PM Elders Meeting (<i>library</i>)
WED, 2/18	<i>Ash Wednesday</i> 8:30 AM PreK-2nd Grade Imposition of Ashes (<i>gym</i>) 10:00 AM Ash Wednesday Service (<i>sanctuary</i>) 4:00 PM Middle School Youth Group 5:00 PM Lenten Dinner 6:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service (<i>sanctuary</i>) 6:45 PM High School Youth Group
THU, 2/19	9:30 AM Early Childhood Chapels 2:00 PM Human Care Meeting (<i>library</i>) 6:00 PM Trustees Meeting (<i>library</i>)
FRI, 2/20	11:30 AM Fellowship Club at Olive Tree Restaurant
SAT, 2/21	6:00 PM Divine Service with Holy Communion
SUN, 2/22	9:00 AM Divine Service with Holy Communion 10:30 AM Adult Bible Study (<i>fellowship hall</i>) 10:30 AM Sunday School (<i>gym</i>)

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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

Principal's Corner

Are you ready for Lent?

It's hard to believe that Ash Wednesday is right around the corner. Lent is a time when we come before God with penitent hearts and thankfulness for our Savior's sacrifice on the cross. Please join us for Lenten services and meals.

The basketball season is starting to wind down, but there are still opportunities to see our players and cheerleaders in action. Please check the athletic calendar for game dates and times.

There is no school on Monday, February 16, Presidents' Day. We keep our leaders and authorities in our prayers.

Let's ready ourselves for the Lenten season. Stay in God's Word and pray without ceasing. We also encourage you to worship regularly. Thank God for all He has done for us through His Son!

In Christ, *Karen Bahn, Principal*

Root Report

Last Wednesday, we stretched our legs and got out of the youth room. Our high school group plus the 8th graders met with the Zion Lutheran Youth Group to go bowling. This is just what we needed during these winter doldrums.

Joint events like this with other youth groups always provide for some great connection and fellowship. Many of the students already know each other pretty well from past youth events, the National Youth Gathering, and from their time together as students here at Trinity.

It is always surreal to see all these kids who once roamed the halls at Trinity as grade schoolers, now as young adults still spending time with one another in fellowship years later. Time flies, and I will enjoy every minute of it before they head off to bigger and better things!

- *Evan Root, Director of Youth & Family Ministry*

Christ Lutheran High School News

Preparing Students to be Christian Leaders in all Walks of Life

The work continues! Some things happening are: 1) Our board of directors is developing its principles-based governance model for CLHS. 2) Members of the board of directors and other volunteers are meeting weekly at the Iowa District East Office for committee work sessions. 3) We are looking for 30-35 acres of land on which to build, preferably near the Highway 100 / Highway 30 area. 4) Since we are now recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, those who wish to contribute to CLHS will be able to deduct their monetary donations for income tax purposes.

We continue to move forward with this great endeavor! Do you have questions? Want to know how you can get involved? Contact Mark Mueller at themarkmueller56@gmail.com.
- *CLS Board of Directors*

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Know Christ + Grow in Christ + Make Christ Known



THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

February 14-15, 2026
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

Ash Wednesday Services | February 18 | 10 AM & 6 PM

On February 18 we will begin the season of Lent with worship and the Imposition of Ashes at 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM in the sanctuary. We will have one Lenten meal at 5:00 PM in the fellowship hall. The Funston Faith Family will serve your choice of spaghetti or penne, red sauce or alfredo sauce, meatballs or grilled chicken, salad, garlic bread and desserts.

Midweek Lenten Services using *LSB’s* Service of Prayer and Preaching, with Lenten sermons on the Ten Commandments (see insert), will be held on Wednesdays from February 25–March 25 at Noon and 6:00 PM. Meals will be served at 12:45 PM and 5:00 PM each week. *(Exception: no meals on Mar. 18.)*

Wind Symphony & Jazz Band Concert | Thurs, Feb. 19 | 7 PM

Central Lutheran School in Newhall, IA is hosting the Lutheran South Wind Symphony and Jazz Band from St. Louis, MO in concert on Feb. 19. The Wind Symphony was selected to perform at the 2026 Missouri Music Educators Conference as one of the top six high school bands in Missouri. The Wind Symphony program will include “Fortress” by Frank Ticheli and “Star Wars - the Marches” by John Williams. The Jazz Band will present a wide range of works for the modern big band. Join us at CLS, 310 3rd St W, Newhall.

Fellowship Club | Friday, February 20 | 11:30 AM

Join the Fellowship Club for lunch at Olive Tree Restaurant, 2925 Williams Pkwy SW. We love to see new faces! Contact Karen Flint with any questions: 319-899-1421.

Church Office Closed | Friday, February 27

Please note that the office will not be open on the morning of February 27.

High School Retreat | Deposits Due: April 6

High schoolers, you’re invited to join us for this year’s High School Retreat at Walcamp in Kingston, IL from July 13-18. A deposit of \$150 is due by Monday, April 6 to hold your spot (total cost: \$400). Financial assistance is available. Email Evan Root if interested at rootej@trinitytr.org.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) | June 8-11

Save the dates for this summer’s VBS, and join us for a Tropical Trek! We’ll learn how Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10) while exploring fun and exciting places, like a dormant volcano and island caves. And we’ll discover how God finds us and helps us in every challenge we face. More info coming soon.

Thank You from Home Missionary

Home Missionary thanks all who helped make the Granny Basketball Jamboree this past weekend a big success, whether you baked something for the bake sale or furnished something for the luncheon. We appreciate it all. Those who worked were great, and we couldn’t have done it without you. We raised almost \$1,600 for Missions.

Saturday Ushers Needed

Six to eight ushers are needed for our Saturday evening worship services. Ushers work three months during the year. Anyone can be of service: families, men, women, teens. Please contact a pastor, elder, Larry Acord, or the church office to volunteer. Thank you.

A Life Thought in the Church Year

February 15 – Transfiguration: In the Transfiguration of Jesus, we see that the glory of the Almighty God was hidden in the human flesh of our Lord. What a great reminder that God can work remarkable and glorious things through that which the world views as normal and ordinary. God, who can bring about the restoration of the fallen world through human flesh and blood, can also do wonderful and amazing things through surprise pregnancies, people born with severe disabilities, and those with terminal illnesses. Instead of turning to death in these cases, we should look for the ways that God might be hiding His good and gracious will in them.

Those serving the Lord on February 14-15	
Elder:	Chris Kistler
Comm. Asst:	9:00 AM – Carl Gloe, Matt Sprengeler, Jeremy Burkett
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Lenora Fagenbaum 9:00 AM – Wyatt & Jack Manthe
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 2: Kreutner/Kiracofe 9:00 AM – Team 6: Matt Krenz
Altar Guild:	Darrell & Diane Peterson and Bob & Gail Horne
Fellowship Treats: Last names beginning with S, T, U, V	

Those serving the Lord on Ash Wednesday: February 18	
Elder:	6:00 PM – Jon Benya
Comm Assts:	6:00 PM – Carl Gloe, Jeremy Burkett, Bill Godecke
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Makenzie Scranton
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 3: Carl Gloe

Those serving the Lord on February 21-22	
Elder:	Matt Sprengeler
Comm. Assts:	9:00 AM – Carl Gloe, Steve Bruzek, Chris Kistler
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Xuxa Zangerle 9:00 AM – Makenzie Scranton & Addison Kula
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 2: Kreutner/Kiracofe 9:00 AM – Team 6: Matt Krenz
Altar Guild:	Darrell & Diane Peterson and Bob & Gail Horne
Fellowship Treats: Last names beginning with W, X, Y, Z	