

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SAT, 10/17	8:30 AM LWR Pick Up (<i>school parking lot</i>) 6:00 PM Divine Service with Holy Communion
SUN, 10/18	9:00 AM Divine Service with Holy Communion 10:30 AM Adult Catechesis (<i>west fellowship hall</i>)
MON, 10/19	Phase 2 Sanctuary Lighting Updates Begin 6:00 PM Evangelism Meeting
TUE, 10/20	6:30 AM Men's <i>Lutheran Witness</i> Discussion 6:00 PM Elders Meeting
WED, 10/21	8:30 AM School Chapel (<i>Rev. Bahn</i>) (<i>gym</i>) 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study (<i>library</i>) 12:15 PM Church Staff Meeting (<i>library</i>) 6:00 PM MS. & H.S. Youth Group at Bloomsbury Farm
THU, 10/22	9:00 AM Dorcas Guild (<i>main fellowship hall</i>) 9:15 AM Early Childhood Chapel (<i>Rev. Bahn</i>)
FRI, 10/23	6:00 PM Fall Fest
SAT, 10/24	Reformation (Observed) 6:00 PM Divine Service with Holy Communion
SUN, 10/25	Reformation (Observed) 9:00 AM Divine Service with Holy Communion - TLS Grades 2-3 sing during service 10:30 AM Adult Catechesis (<i>main fellowship hall</i>)

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

Associate Pastor: Rev. Daryn Bahn, 319-304-0184

Principal: Dr. Karen Bahn

School Secretary: Tanya Cross

School Development: Jodi Jonasson

Maintenance: Brian Wright

Director of Music: Dr. Susan Benya

Associate Organist: Marilyn Mark

Forgiven Musicians: Caity Monahan, Keith & Ava Olsen, Jana Pownell, Aaron Rowland

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

Root Report

As students and staff enjoy fall break this weekend, we would like to remind everyone that Sunday School will not be held on three-day weekends or during school breaks (Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, and Mid-Winter weekend).

On the weeks that Sunday school is on break, parents have the opportunity to continue the faith education of their child(ren) one-on-one. Here are a few suggestions from the Board of Parish Ed:

- Take some time in the afternoon to read and discuss a favorite or new Bible passage, or a devotional book that is personally meaningful to you, together at home. Ask questions about what you read and look for answers together.
- Take a walk and share important events that have shaped your personal faith journeys.
- Color a picture together of the things you are grateful for and share why.
- Write and pray a prayer together.

Also, keep in mind that older children can attend Adult Bible Study with their parents and discuss what is taught. Whatever the activity, children naturally and properly look to Mom and Dad (grandparents as well!) above all others in matters of faith and life, and every opportunity parents have to take advantage of that influence is precious.

Blessings on your weekend and on future long weekends throughout the year! May you enjoy opportunities to rest, travel, or recharge in whatever way works best for you and your family!

Evan Root

Director Youth & Family Ministry

Principal's Corner

Our Trinity Trojans took 2nd in the volleyball tournament this past weekend. We are so proud of how they represented the school with our core values and sportsmanship. Congrats to our volleyball team and coaches!

There is no school on Monday and Tuesday, October 19-20, for fall break. We pray everyone has a safe and relaxing time with family and friends.

Some of our teachers will be attending the Great Plains Educators' Conference at Concordia, Seward during the break. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel.

Our school is celebrating Set Apart to Serve week from Oct. 26-30. This week highlights what church workers do in our synod and encourages our students to consider church work in the future. Trinity Lutheran School has produced some wonderful workers in the harvest field.

Have a blessed week!

In Christ,
Karen Bahn, Principal

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Know Christ + Grow in Christ + Make Christ Known



THE FESTIVAL OF ST. LUKE,
EVANGELIST

October 17-18, 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 on 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
Help Needed | Sunday, October 18 | After Worship Service
We’re excited for Phase 2 of our sanctuary lighting updates to begin next week! To prepare, we need to remove the altar and communion rail. Many hands make light work! Please stay for a few minutes after worship on October 18 to lend a hand.

Trinity Fall Fest | Friday, October 23 | 6:00 PM
Trinity Fall Fest is October 23! Bring the whole family for an evening of fall fun featuring a Trunk or Treat with Best Trunk contest, food, face painting, carnival games, prizes, acoustic worship at 7:30 PM, and more. Free admission. Bring your family and friends and enjoy the fun! Scan the QR code to sign up to decorate a trunk or help with the event!



Reformation (*Observed*) & Students Singing | October 24 & 25
Join us October 24 & 25 as we celebrate the Reformation and give thanks for the good news that we are saved by grace through faith in Christ alone! On Sunday, Trinity Lutheran School’s 2nd and 3rd grade students will add their voices to our worship. After the service, continue the fellowship downstairs with coffee & treats!

All Saints’ Day | October 31 & November 1
During our regular worship services on October 31 and November 1, we will commemorate the Trinity Church members who have faithfully departed to their heavenly home within the last year.

Daylight Saving Time Ends | Sunday, November 1
Don’t forget to set your clocks *back* one hour before going to bed Saturday night. Get an extra hour of sleep, and we’ll see you at worship on Sunday!

Holiday Assistance | Deadline: Monday, November 2
This Thanksgiving, the Board of Human Care is helping 24 Trinity Church & School families by providing Walmart gift cards to assist with holiday needs. We invite you to help bless these families with a \$25 Walmart gift card or a monetary donation of any amount.



How to Give: Place donations in an envelope marked “Holiday Assistance” and put it in the collection plate or drop it off at the church office. You may also donate online using the QR code.

Our Goal: \$2,400 | Received: \$275

Thank you for helping us make the holidays a little brighter for our Trinity families!

Home Missionary | New Date: Thurs, Nov. 19 | 1:00 PM
Our November Home Missionary meeting has moved to November 19. Please bring 2-3 dozen cookies, your special recipe or purchased. We will divide them onto plates for our shut-ins. After the meeting we’ll deliver them to our friends!

Pastor and Director of Youth & Family Ministry Appreciation
October is Pastor and Director of Youth & Family Ministry Appreciation month! Pastor Groth, Pastor Bahn, and Evan Root do so much to serve and care for our church family. Let’s bless them with words of thanks and encouragement! A card box and basket are available on the treat table in the main fellowship hall and on the table by the upper elevator windows for anyone who would like to show their appreciation.

How Christ Lutheran High Will Be Built
Christ Lutheran High has developed a four-step financial plan that starts with launching in a temporary facility and builds toward a permanent campus. We’ve raised \$120,000 toward our \$175,000 goal to begin classes in August 2027. Now through December 31, two generous donors will match every gift dollar for dollar, up to \$100,000. To read the full plan and find out how to double your impact, visit our blog at www.christlutheranhigh.org/updates.

Life Thought in the Church Year
October 18 – St. Luke, Evangelist: The Lord provides laborers in His harvest field. We pray for our pastor and for more pastors in the Church of Christ (Luke 10). We, the harvest, will receive the crown of righteousness on the Last Day. There will be suffering between now and then, but we endure knowing that God provides (2 Timothy 4). The Lord turns everything on its head and provides for His people healing, restoration, life today, and life everlasting (Isaiah 35).

Those serving the Lord on October 17-18	
Elder:	Steve Bruzek
Comm. Assts:	9:00 AM – Bill Godecke, Jon Benya, Jayson Swyers
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Lenora Fagenbaum 9:00 AM – Hunter Spicka
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 2: Kreutner/Kiracofe 9:00 AM – Team 6: Matt Krenz
Altar Guild:	Ron & Lois Henderson and Darrell & Diane Peterson
Fellowship Treats: Last names beginning with S, T, U, V	

Those serving the Lord on October 24-25	
Elder:	Bill Godecke
Comm. Assts:	9:00 AM – Carl Gloe, Steve Bruzek, Chris Kistler
Acolytes:	6:00 PM – Benji Groth 9:00 AM – Makenzie Scranton & Xuxa Zangerle
Usher Leader:	6:00 PM – Team 2: Kreutner/Kiracofe 9:00 AM – Team 6: Matt Krenz
Altar Guild:	Ron & Lois Henderson and Darrell & Diane Peterson
Fellowship Treats: Last names beginning with W, X, Y, Z	