

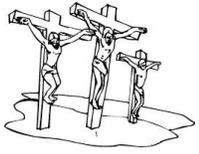
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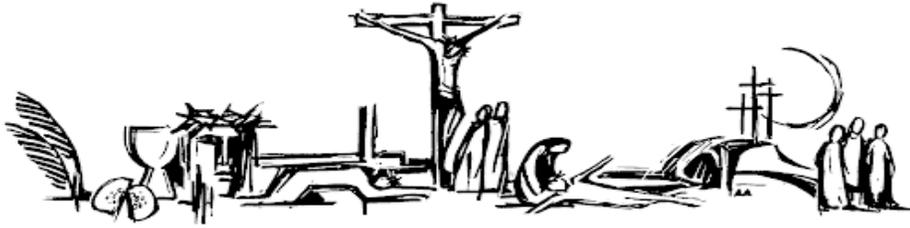
Elder: Denny Peters

Altar Guild: Joann Boyer, Heather Schurman

Stewardship: Sharilyn Buryanek



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
EVERY SUNDAY: 9:15 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 10:30 am Worship Communion on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays Website: www.trinityhawarden.com Facebook: Trinity Lutheran Church Hawarden Iowa						
4  7 am Easter Sunrise 8-9 am Breakfast 10:30 am Worship ->	5 No Bible Class or Sun School Usher Team: Rodney Matz Acolytes 7am Tessa, Makiya Acolytes 10:30 Justin, Brielle Camera: 7am Derek Allen A/V: 7am Mandie Allen, 10:30 Dan Tentinger Accompanist: Tracy DeBruin	6 No Bible Class	7 9:30-11am Socially Distanced Social Club No Bible Class	1  11 am & 7 pm Maundy Thursday Service	2  7 pm Good Friday Service	3 No Saturday services
11 See Every Sunday 8:30 am Elders Mtg Usher Team: Curt Anderson Acolytes: RJ, Jayden Camera: Dakota Allen A/V: Derek Allen Accompanist: Peggy Christensen	12 ---Pastor Lowe may be out of office due to wisdom teeth removal.---	13 ---Pastor Lowe may be out of office due to wisdom teeth removal.---	14 No Bible Class	15 No Bible Class	16 No Bible Class	10 6:00 Worship
18 See Every Sunday 11:30 Ark information mtg. Usher Team: Bill Buryanek Acolytes: Kelan, Tristen Camera: Derek Allen A/V: Tom Murren Accompanist: Sharon Wakeman	19 7 pm LWML	20 No Bible Class	21 No Bible Class	22 No Bible Class	23 No Bible Class	17 6:00 Worship *
25 See Every Sunday Usher Team: Dave Aldrich Acolytes: Jessen, Karlee Camera: Dakota Allen A/V: Mary Ortner Accompanist: Tracy DeBruin	26 No Bible Class	27 No Bible Class	28 7 pm Bible Class	29 No Bible Class	30 No Bible Class	24 LWML Spring Rally @Trinity 8:30 am – 12pm



Schedule for Holy Week

Palm Sunday, March 28–	Confirmation Sunday No Bible class Worship at 10:30 am
Maundy Thursday, April 1-	11 am Worship w/ Communion 7 pm Worship w/ Communion First Communion for Confirmands
Good Friday, April 2-	7 pm Good Friday service
Easter Sunday, April 4-	7 am Easter Sunrise service* 8--9 am Youth Breakfast No Bible Class or Sunday School 10:30 am Easter Worship* (Communion at BOTH services)

Dear students and parents,
The Thrivent Choice committee of Trinity Lutheran Church would like to help more kids attend summer camp at Camp Okoboji.

Camp Okoboji has a long history with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Previous campers would be anxious to tell you how much they love it and can't wait for next year. Activities during the week long camps include bible study, music, crafts and sports. More info is available at www.campokoboji.org

The church will provide \$100 per child in financial aid. We will also provide **\$150** per child from our Thrivent Choice dollars. Additional financial aid may be available from Iowa District West for those with financial hardships. Talk to pastor if needed.

Our mission is to give every kid a chance to go to camp and every effort will be made to accommodate each family's financial needs.

Registering for camp and transportation to and from will be the responsibility of the parents. Drop off is on Sunday afternoon and pick up is the next Saturday morning.

Please check the website for their COVID guidelines as they are continually evaluating and changing them. As of now, there is no COVID test needed before they go. See the website for other safety precautions that have been added.

Camp dates and costs are as follows:

2 options for Cub Week!

June 13-19 or July 18-24

Concordia Cub Week is for kids who have completed 3rd-5th grade. \$365 for early registration.

July 11-17 Junior High Week is for kids who have completed 6th-8th grade. \$365 for early registration.

July 25-31 Youth Week is for kids who have completed 8th-12th grade. \$365 for early registration.

Early bird registration is due one month prior to the beginning of each camp. After this date, fees are \$25 more. We suggest you request funding by June 1 to ensure time for early registration.

Please contact Mary Ortner if you are interested in going to camp this summer.

Mary's contact info:

maryballard76@gmail.com

Cell# 712-635-2497

Home# 712-722-2692

Thank you,

Trinity Lutheran Thrivent Choice Committee





All Thrivent Choice dollars for 2020 must be directed by **March 31st**. You can log in at www.thrivent.com or call 800-847-4836 and when prompted, say Thrivent Choice. Then press 1 to direct Choice Dollars. If you aren't sure if you qualify for Choice dollars, you can check online or call. Many benefit members do qualify and there are numerous non-profit organizations to donate your dollars to, including Trinity.

Any dollars not directed by members will be directed by Thrivent to national organizations they support. Donating Choice dollars does not affect your account balance in any way.



Bible Class

Celebrate the Resurrection by coming to Bible Class!

Sunday mornings at 9:15 we study the Book of Acts.

Wednesday evenings at 7, we study the Book of Matthew.

**Coming up: Denominations:
Why are there so many churches?**

April at Trinity

Youth Trip to the Ark Encounter 2022

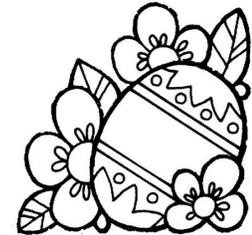


Let's take a trip to see the wonders of God's creation and learn how creation science delivers both the truth of God's Word and real science! We will also see LCMS sites in St. Louis.

Informational meeting will be on April 21st after church. Trip is open to all youth families in the congregation. Parents must accompany kids under 13.

Easter Breakfast

Join us after the early Easter service for Easter breakfast served by Trinity youth and their parents. Egg bake, cinnamon rolls, juice and coffee. Free will donation to benefit Trinity youth activities!



Trinity Vacation Bible School 2021

Mark your calendars for a trip to the rainforest with Jesus! VBS will be June 21-25 from 6-7:30 pm.

Register at www.vbsmate.com/trinityhawarden or talk to Kara Vander Hamm.



Hymn of the Month

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen! LSB 474

This hymn, written by Lutheran pastor

Herbert Brokering, speaks of the new reality the resurrection of Jesus brings to believers in their Christian life. From walking together, being connected to the vine, and entering the eternal city in the Lord's new creation, Brokering captures the triumph of the resurrection. Easter forever! It's also fun to sing!

“Main Street Living” and **“This Is the Life”** programming information for April, 2021

April 4 – Easter Sunday

This is the Life – “No Place To Hide” – (1975) A pastor who has to face the death of his wife, cannot find comfort.

Worship Service – Rev. Russell Senstad of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Sioux City, IA, delivers the message “What Do You Know” based on John 20:1-18

April 11

This is the Life – “Dead End” – (1957) Because of frustration with his life, a man turns to drinking and another woman.

Worship Service – Rev. Benjamin Perkins of Shepherd of Peace Lutheran Church in Sergeant Bluff, IA, delivers the message “Blessed” based on John 20:29.

April 18

This is the Life – “The Main Event” – (1972) A boxer who is hit by a car becomes embittered until he meets a cheerful 8-year-old girl.

Worship Service – Rev. Brett Witmer of Bethel Lutheran Church in Sutherland, IA, delivers the message “Peace to You” based on Luke 24:36-49.

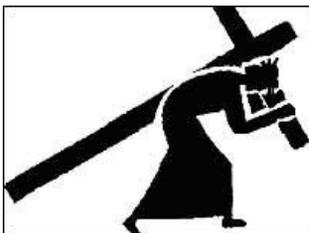
April 25

This is the Life – “The Prisoners” – (1978) An elderly woman is attacked by a teenage gang.

Worship Service – Rev. Neil Wehmas of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Ida Grove, IA, delivers the message “By This We Know Love” based on John 3:16.

Starting on April 4 we will begin to air the new episodes of “This Is the Life” we are in the process of up-grading. The date behind the title is the year it originally aired.

Additional information is available on the web site:



Come and See

On His way to Galilee, Jesus called Philip to be one of His 12 disciples. After receiving Jesus’ call, Philip, pleased to be a disciple, told his friend, Nathanael, that he had found Jesus of Nazareth, the person whom Moses and all the prophets had foretold in the Old Testament. Nathaniel responded, “*Can anything good come out of Nazareth?*” (John 1:46). Philip responded, “*Come and see.*” Jesus calls us to be like Philip and to say to our families, co-workers, neighbors, friends, and all people, “*Come and see.*” As God’s people, we have been given a wonderful privilege and a responsibility to be the hands, feet, and mouth for Jesus. We are His instruments through whom He works so others can hear the Good News of the Gospel.

In our conversations, we could use the words “come and see” in many different ways. When we acquire new furniture, a dress, or a car, we may say, “Come and see.” How much more important it is that we ask others to “come and see” Jesus as He has revealed Himself to us in His Word. We have the opportunity to introduce people to Jesus Who has given the world the greatest miracle that has ever occurred. Jesus, the Son of Man, condescended to come to earth to live as one of us, to be humiliated and die for the sake of those He loves, and then to rise victoriously, the “*firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep*” (1 Corinthians 15:20). This miracle is one to be shouted from the housetops, for it is meant for all humankind. Christ has died for our sins and risen again so that we might live forever with Him. We are called to go and invite people to “come and see” Who Jesus is and what He has done for us. We invite people, and the Holy Spirit does the rest.

So why are we often hesitant to invite people to “come and see” Jesus? Do we fear we’ll be rejected? That we won’t have the answers to questions we’re asked? That we’ll look foolish? All these things may happen but that’s God’s business. Not everybody is going to want what we have to offer, but many do. Our task is to invite, “Come and see.” If we love God, we will love His people (1 John 4:20), and, if we love people, we will be compelled to witness. Our love will overcome our discomfort. Our compassion will overcome our inhibitions.

We should all be encouraged to pray that the Holy Spirit will make us aware of the opportunities He lays before us, the people He places in our lives— people we know and sometimes complete strangers. As Philip invited his friend, let us invite all who will listen, “Come and see.” The investment of our time and effort will be an investment that pays eternal dividends.

From Pastor's Desk

Alleluia! Christ IS Risen! This is a joy that changes everything. A truly new reality. The old world of rebellion and death is over and Christ has conquered. The joy of Jesus' resurrection always comes after the long nights of fear and despair. Unless you've lived through Good Friday, the joy of Easter is not as joyful. We have to see where we've been, who we were, what Christ endured, in order to fully comprehend the words that change everything: He's not here, He is risen!

Last year the joy of following Jesus through the dark valley to the Cross, resting with Him in the sleep of death, and living with Him in the glory of the resurrection was taken from us by COVID 19. Our church was closed for Easter. The Easter proclamation was only spoken to a handful of faithful servants who gathered so the service could be broadcast via Facebook. Like the first Easter, only a few heard of resurrection firsthand. But the news spread rapidly far and wide. This year, we are gathered by the Lord having been through the year-long uncertainty, loss, and separation of a world still infected with the curse of Adam's fall. To shout "Christ is Risen!" at a death bed, a funeral, and the cemetery seems laughable to many. Just as laughable to many when the women returned from the tomb to proclaim that Jesus was gone, risen as He said. Such is the Christian faith. It is a truth that remains true despite everything to contrary.

St. Paul's words to the Roman Christians living in an age of persecution and likely death need to be memorized: ^{ESV} **Romans 8:38** For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. May God engrave these words on our hearts and minds to face whatever may come. And He does that. He makes us tough in faith and determined despite everything we experience in the world. Alleluia! Christ IS Risen! It's a present reality; always and forever! ^{ESV} **1 Corinthians 15:20** But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. It is in this joy that we celebrate eternal Easter- no matter what.

April Birthdays

- 2 Ruth Benda
- 4 Erica Kruid
- 5 Derek Allen, Austin Bultman, Ethan Schurman
- 6 Easton Frye, Warren Vander Feen
- 8 Larry Bauder, Marge Dimmick, Karlee Vander Hamm
- 9 Jerry Wakeman
- 10 Caroline Lowe
- 11 Jan Matz, Karen Weyen
- 12 Jack Borchers
- 13 Shauntelle McInnes, Laraine Thorpe
- 15 Pam Van Ballegooyen
- 16 Cody Star
- 18 Mike Bockelman, Gloria Green
- 20 Becky Klaus
- 21 Jane Reed
- 22 Tucker Van Wyhe
- 23 Clark Danielson, Rita Vander Feen
- 24 Jim Popken
- 26 Katrina Burt, Denny Peters
- 27 Robert Keehn, Myleigh Vos
- 29 Grace Boyles



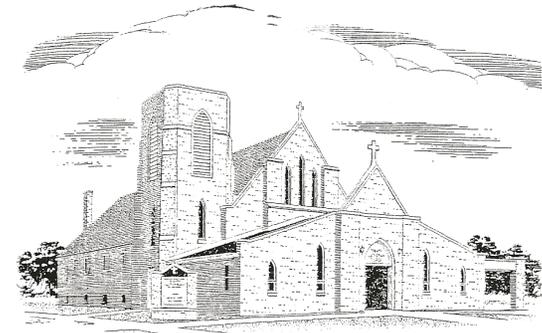
April Anniversaries

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| 2 Dave & Amy Huebner | 16 yrs |
| 5 Jim & Norma Petry | 57 yrs |
| 6 Jon & Mindy Burt | 19 yrs |
| 11 Frank & Dee Peterson | 23 yrs |
| 15 Brian & Kara Bultman | 10 yrs |
| 16 Jon & Nancy Jacobs | 50 yrs |
| 21 Harlan & Ruth Benda | 58 yrs |
| 24 Merry & Lee Landenberger | 36 yrs |
| 26 Roger & Mary Johnson | 52 yrs |



Read the Bible in one year by reading the following passages this month...

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| 1. Isaiah 25:1-9 | Romans 1-3 |
| 2. Psalm 114 | Romans 4-6 |
| 3. Psalm 115 | Romans 7-9 |
| 4. Psalm 116 | Romans 10-13 |
| 5. Psalm 117 | Romans 14-16 |
| 6. Psalm 118 | 1 Corinthians 1-3 |
| 7. Psalm 119:1-8 | 1 Corinthians 4-6 |
| 8. Psalm 119:9-16 | 1 Corinthians 7-9 |
| 9. Psalm 119:17-24 | 1 Corinthians 10-11 |
| 10. Psalm 119:25-32 | 1 Corinthians 12-14 |
| 11. Psalm 119:33-40 | 1 Corinthians 15-16 |
| 12. Psalm 119:41-48 | 2 Corinthians 1-4 |
| 13. Psalm 119:49-56 | 2 Corinthians 5-7 |
| 14. Psalm 119:57-64 | 2 Corinthians 8-10 |
| 15. Psalm 119:65-72 | 2 Corinthians 11-13 |
| 16. Psalm 119:73-80 | Galatians 1-3 |
| 17. Psalm 119:81-88 | Galatians 4-6 |
| 18. Psalm 119:89-96 | Ephesians 1-3 |
| 19. Psalm 119:97-104 | Ephesians 4-6 |
| 20. Psalm 119:105-112 | Philippians 1-2 |
| 21. Psalm 119:113-120 | Philippians 3-4 |
| 22. Psalm 119:121-128 | Colossians 1-2 |
| 23. Psalm 119:129-136 | Colossians 3-4 |
| 24. Psalm 119:137-144 | 1 Thessalonians 1-3 |
| 25. Psalm 119:145-152 | 1 Thessalonians 4-5 |
| 26. Psalm 119:153-160 | 2 Thessalonians 1-3 |
| 27. Psalm 119:161-168 | 1 Timothy 1-3 |
| 28. Psalm 119:169-176 | 1 Timothy 4-6 |
| 29. Psalm 120 | 2 Timothy 1-2 |
| 30. Isaiah 25:1-9 | 2 Timothy 3-4 |



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