

Announcements

- Joining Trinity Lutheran Church today is LaRae Power. Welcome to Trinity, LaRae!
- Lenten services continue each Wednesday at 7 pm, followed by fellowship and snacks in the basement.
- No Thursday morning Bible Study during the Lenten season.
- THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: If you have 2025 Choice Dollars that have not been directed, you must direct them before March 31, 2026, or you will lose them. They do not carry over! You have more Choice Dollars to direct after each quarter (March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31).
To direct your Choice Dollars, call the Home Office at 1-800-847-4836, or you can direct them online at www.thrivent.com.
- Pastor will be out of the office on Tuesday for a Circuit Pastors meeting in Sioux City.
- Elders meeting next Sunday, March 15 at 8:30 am.

Our Week With God		
Today:	9:15 am	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 am	Worship (second offering for the Hawarden Food Pantry)
Wednesday:	5:15 pm	Catechism supper
	5:45 pm	Catechism
	7 pm	Lenten worship
Saturday:	4 pm	Worship*
Next Sunday:	8:30 am	Elders meeting
	9:15 am	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 am	Worship* (second offering for our overseas missionaries)

Elder serving in March: Justin DeBruin

Last Week Attendance: 119

This week's servants:

Next week's servants:

Ushers: Denny Peters, Mike Bockelman, Justin DeBruin, Addilyn, Emmalee, Logan

Ushers: JP Breugem, Jerry Ruhland, Larry Bauder, Eastyn, Lincoln

Greeters: Mary K. & Audree O.

Greeters: Corinne & family

Acolyte: Lydia

Acolytes: Levi, Luke

Camera: Derek Allen

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A/V: Mary Ortner

A/V: Brett Anderson

Accompanist: Sharon Wakeman

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2025 Yearly Budget \$263,007.37 (Includes District Pledge of \$16,800)

General Fund	
Budget to Date	\$ 45,522.00
Amt. Needed/Week	\$ 5,058.00
Amt. Last Sunday	\$ 3,250.23
Amt. Received to Date	\$ 35,129.44
Amt. Ahead (Behind)	\$ (10,392.56)

The Hansons: \$136.84
Lent: \$312.00
Building Fund: \$270.00

**Welcome to
Trinity Lutheran Church,
LCMS**

1103 Central Ave.
Hawarden, IA 51023



Pastor Joshua Lowe

**Third Sunday in Lent
March 8, 2026**

Recordings of Sunday services will be available on our Facebook page and website: www.trinityhawarden.com
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Office Manager: Lycia Anderson
Church Custodian: Eric Heuer
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Order of Service

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- Closing Hymn #663

Old Testament

Jeremiah 26:1–15

¹In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, this word came from the LORD: ²“Thus says the LORD: Stand in the court of the LORD’s house, and speak to all the cities of Judah that come to worship in the house of the LORD all the words that I command you to speak to them; do not hold back a word. ³It may be they will listen, and every one turn from his evil way, that I may relent of the disaster that I intend to do to them because of their evil deeds. ⁴You shall say to them, ‘Thus says the LORD: If you will not listen to me, to walk in my law that I have set before you, ⁵and to listen to the words of my servants the prophets whom I send to you urgently, though you have not listened, ⁶then I will make this house like Shiloh, and I will make this city a curse for all the nations of the earth.’”

⁷The priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the LORD. ⁸And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, “You shall die! ⁹Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, ‘This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?’” And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

¹⁰When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king’s house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. ¹¹Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, “This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears.”

¹²Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, “The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. ¹³Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. ¹⁴But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. ¹⁵Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.”

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

G Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Ephesians 5:1–9

¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

³But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. ⁴Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. ⁵For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. ⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not associate with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true).

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

G Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Luke 11:14–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴Now [Jesus] was casting out a demon that was mute. When the demon had gone out, the mute man spoke, and the people marveled. ¹⁵But some of them said, “He casts out demons by Beelzebul, the prince of demons,” ¹⁶while others, to test him, kept seeking from him a sign from heaven. ¹⁷But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, “Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls. ¹⁸And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul. ¹⁹And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. ²⁰But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. ²¹When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are safe; ²²but when one stronger than he attacks him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted and divides his spoil. ²³Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.

²⁴“When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, and finding none it says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’ ²⁵And when it comes, it finds the house swept and put in order. ²⁶Then it goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and dwell there. And the last state of that person is worse than the first.”

²⁷As he said these things, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, “Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts at which you nursed!” ²⁸But he said, “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to You, O Christ.

Stewardship is Heart Work

March 8, 2026 – 4th Sunday in Lent

Scripture: Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.” — *Joel 2:13b*

Stewardship Sentence:

As we return to the Lord this season, we also dedicate our time, talents, gifts, and resources to His service, reflecting His love and mercy to the world, as we become the hearts, hands, and feet of Jesus.

IN OUR PRAYERS WE REMEMBER

We pray for our members: Joyce Boerma

We also pray for: Joan Johnson (sister of Jean Toft), **Ginger Waterman** (mother of Chris Waterman), **Jerry Kratochvil** (*brother of Rich Kratochvil*), **Tonia Sommervold** (*daughter of Brenda Watkins*), **Candace Wallin** (*friend of Audree Olson*), **Rocky Waterman** (*brother of Jane Murren*), **Nash Koopmans** (*son of Ross and Mollie Koopmans*), **Jesse Paul** and **Glenden Peterson** (*family of Trudy Paul*), **Pete Kingma** (*husband of Kristi Kingma*), **Levi Koopmans**, **Missy**, **Liz Otten**.

Gary Lorensen, **Steven Fleming**, **Derrick Gall**, **Lois Brownlee**, **Linda Greenhagen**, (*friends of Joyce Boerma*), those in extended-care facilities and Military Service Personnel:

Diego Hurtado, **Ian McManaman**, **Wayne Toft**, **Kelan Utech**, and **Joshua Wilkens**.