

Trinity Weekly News

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The chancel flowers this week are sponsored by Nick & Libbie Couper
in gratitude to God for the 100 years of Trinity Lutheran Church

This Week at Trinity:

Sunday 4/27

100th Anniversary Celebration

10:00 a.m.—Divine Service

100th Anniversary Banquet

6:00 p.m.—Choir Practice

6:00 p.m.—JCC

Monday 4/28

5:30 p.m.—Board of Trustees

6:00 p.m.—Divine Service

Pastor Thieme out of town

Tuesday 4/29

5:45 p.m.—Pickleball

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Wednesday 4/30

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

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Thursday 5/1

7:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Study

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

11:00 a.m.—Communion @ Lenoir

5:45 p.m.—Pickleball

Friday 5/2

Pastors' day off

Saturday 5/3

10:30 a.m.—Confirmation rehearsal,
pictures, lunch, & questioning

Sunday 5/4

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service

9:30 a.m.—Sun School/Bible Study

10:30 a.m.—Divine Serv + Confirmation

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Scroll Saw Artist and Woodworker

Looking around Trinity Lutheran Church we can see the efforts of members of the congregation who have made cabinets for the organ speakers, a platform for the cymbelstern, and the Lenten cross. The crucifix under the choir loft that we see as we leave the sanctuary and the stand for the marriage unity candles (which resides in the sacristy at other times) were made by the late Gordon Licht. This snippet will focus on Darren Laupp, the scroll artist and woodworker. Various News of the Son issues and church bulletins have contained much of this information and he graciously provided a visit to his shop.

The walls of his house are adorned with his work but the woodshop in the basement has many more on display. His wood stockpile includes some ordered, some acquired from travels, and some from Gordon Licht's shop. His special talent, Intarsia woodworking, "uses varied shapes, sizes, and species of wood fitted together to create a mosaic-like artwork by using the grain pattern and natural colorings to create variations in the design" as he wrote for the April 2024 News of the Son.



The Intarsia project begins with a design and then, using an adhesive to stick the design to the various pieces of wood, to be cut on the scroll saw. Then machine- and hand- sanding and shaping, gluing, and sealing. Time logs are kept of every project.

Beginning in March 2020 Darren began to design a new processional cross and stand (with Ms. Molly Siegel at Koonse Glass and Carol Morrison of TLC for the stained glass designs and the Center for Liturgical Arts at Concordia University Nebraska for the two figures of Christ). These efforts were supported by the Dr. Roger L. Morrison Memorial Fund. The cross was dedicated September 13, 2020, the day before Holy Cross Day. Twenty different woods were used in the base. The Morrison fund also supported the acolyte candle stands, built of seven layers, in 2024.

Three other projects from the Darren's workshop: First, the Clark family donated a figure of Christ made by the father of Trinity Member Bob Clark. Darren cleaned and stained the corpus and made "the cross out of Peruvian walnut, since the straightness of the grain would not distract from the corpus, and mounted the corpus on the cross." This hangs in the overflow room and was put on display in March 2023. Second, beginning in 2022, design began on the two shelves for the collection of the individual cups from communion. In 2023 production of the Living Vine Shelves with multiple woods began and they were installed in March 2024. Third, "who you gonna call" when you urgently need a support (that was inadvertently decluttered from storage) for the Lenten cross: Darren Laupp.



Lutherans for Life of MO will hold its Annual Gathering on Saturday, May 3, at Salem Lutheran Church, Affton, 9:30 – 1:00.

We will have a brief meeting followed by presentations—personal testimony on a crisis pregnancy, Lifesong, and contest winners—and lunch.

Registration needs to be made at lflofmo@gmail.com. \$10 will be collected at the door. We will also collect baby items for local charities.

Midwest March for Life: Thursday, May 1 in Jefferson City, MO.

Annual Diaper Drive: Mother's Day, May 11 through Father's Day, June 15. Diapers will be collected in the Narthex and will be delivered to LFCS and My Life Clinic in Columbia. Diaper sizes most needed are sizes 4 through 7. Other baby items are welcome.



You're Invited!

Meredith Stone is having her Senior Violin, Piano, and Voice Recital on Thursday, May 22nd at 6 pm. It will be held at St. Andrews Lutheran Church, and a reception will follow.

All are welcome! God has blessed us with such a wonderful church family, and we hope to see you there!

Another Opportunity to Help

To help celebrate the 100th anniversary of Trinity Lutheran Church in Columbia, the Life Team will be providing one-hundred 30-inch duffel bags to foster children in the local community. Children can use these bags to store their personal belongings. The bags will include an age-specific Bible and a teddy bear. Congregational volunteers are invited to write a short note of encouragement that will be included in the Bibles. Note cards along with samples of encouraging words will be provided to each volunteer. You can specify how many cards you'd like to fill out. Once the 100 cards are in hand, a date will be set to assemble the bags, so you can volunteer for one or both efforts by signing the roster across from the church office. Won't you please consider giving thanks to God for His grace shown to Trinity these one hundred years by sharing that grace with children who need to hear of God's love?

Endowment Fund News

Did you know that Trinity Lutheran has funds available to help with the expenses of those in the congregation pursuing an education in church-related work? Did you know that this help can be in addition to any scholarship funds awarded through the church?

The Main Endowment Fund was created 16 years ago to foster Christian stewardship by special gifts and requests for the many missions of Trinity Lutheran Church. Presently, there are three such "endowment" funds: the main fund, the Bourret/Elliott fund for church-related educational careers, and the Youth Fund. Presently, the balance of all three funds is just shy of \$248,000.

Did you know that in the 16 years since these endowments came into being, no money has ever been disbursed from them? Why? Because no one has ever asked for it!

To learn more about the Endowment Program, please contact the Church Office, or a member of the Endowment Board: Rob Hall, Pat Hansen or Chuck Murphy. All donations or bequests are gratefully accepted in furtherance of the mission of Trinity Lutheran Church, and we are anxious to entertain requests for financial support that comport with the restrictions on some of the endowment accounts. As an example, the Bourret/Elliott fund is restricted to providing educational support for those pursuing careers in church-related work, and cannot be used for anything else. Because there is a balance of just over \$100,000 in this restricted fund, we're eager to hear from students who would benefit from this support. The intent, of course, is to facilitate the church-related careers of our young people.

YOUTH GROUP

UPCOMING Events

FINALS DINNER @ LAS MARGS

Friday, May 23d

5:00pm

ICE SKATING & ICE CREAM

Sunday, June 29th

Time TBD

DAY @ LAKE OF THE OZARKS

July...Date & Time TBD



The Youth Group & Board of Youth want to give a **HUGE THANK YOU** to everyone who helped, donated, and attended this year's Easter Breakfast! We are thankful for the time our church family worships and fellowships together. The time, talents and generosity of so many made the breakfast a success.

Thank you for supporting our Germany trip!

Parents are always welcome to attend activities.

GERMANY YOUTH GROUP TRIP UPDATES

*Make sure your passports are in order.

*A Meet & Greet/Informational Meeting will be held in late May.

Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center is Hiring!



POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Full-time assistant teacher. Will work with pre-kindergarten students during the school year and school age students during the summer. Paid time off and benefits included

Summer assistant teacher. Will work with school age students during the summer. A great position for a school teacher needing work during the summer or an education major who wants real experience in the classroom!

Part-time assistant teacher. Will work mostly in the afternoon with a variety of age groups.

What does an assistant teacher do?

- Work with children in the classroom alongside a lead teacher to help create and implement play-based curriculum.
- Bond with children to make them feel secure, cared for, and loved
- School age teachers will help with large, hands-on projects. This includes activities such as: putting on a school-wide carnival, creating a drive-in movie, having a paint fight, creating a "restaurant" for families, using a hot-glue gun to make creations, and much more!

Qualifications

A love of working with children and a willingness to learn on the job!



If interested in Job opportunities:

- Call TLCLC office at 573-445-1014
- Email TLCLCkids@gmail.com to submit your resume

SPREAD THE WORD!

Trinity Lutheran Church
supports TLCLC as the

Mission Down the Hall.

We need **YOUR** help to find teachers
to support this mission!

TEMPORAL CALENDAR

The Second Sunday of Easter

SANCTORAL CALENDAR

May 1 – The Festival of Saints Phillip and James, Apostles

Propers: Intr. Ps. 89:1,5,15-26; ant. Ps. 119:46; Isaiah 30:18-21; Psalm 36:5-12; Ephesians 2:19-22; St. John 14:1-14
 Almighty God, Your Son revealed Himself to Philip and James and gave them the knowledge of everlasting life. Grant us perfectly to know Your Son, Jesus Christ, to be the way, the truth, and the life, and steadfastly to walk in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THEME OF THE WEEK

That You May Believe and Have Life in His Name | On the Lord's Day, St. John the apostle was given a revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son of God, the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last. He is the Living One, "the firstborn of the dead" (Rev. 1:5). He died for all people, and behold, He is alive forevermore! Therefore, He has "the keys of Death and Hades" (Rev. 1:18). For His death atoned for sin and conquered death, and in His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to us. The "sharp two-edged sword" of His mouth (Rev. 1:16) calls you to "believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God," that by such faith "you may have life in his name" (John 20:31). To that end, He sends His ministers of the Word, as the Father sent Him, "to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins" (Acts 5:31).

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WEEKLY PSALMS & DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

HYMN OF THE WEEK

470 O Sons and Daughters of the King

	<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
<i>Psalms</i>	105	136
<i>Monday</i>	Exodus 6:1-13; 7:1-7	1 Peter 3:8-22
<i>Tuesday</i>	Exodus 7:8-24	1 Peter 4
<i>Wednesday</i>	Exodus 8:1-15	1 Peter 5
<i>Thursday</i>	Exodus 8:16-24	Romans 1:1-17
<i>Friday</i>	Exodus 9:1-21	Romans 1:18-32
<i>Saturday</i>	Exodus 9:22-35	Romans 2:1-16

DAILY CATECHISM

Catechetical Theme: The Essential Work of a Pastor | As a pastor serves the people of God, he is asked to carry out a wide range of tasks. He will perform administrative tasks: creating agendas, planning schedules, calling volunteers, and encouraging those who serve. He will carry out the duties of an evangelist: following up with visitors, calling on those who have been absent, teaching those who are new to the faith, and caring for all in the process. He will also engage in specific acts of pastoral care: visiting the sick and dying, bringing the Lord's Supper to those who are unable to attend Divine Service, praying for all, and encouraging the downtrodden with God's wonderful promises. Of course, there are sermons to prepare and preach; multiple Bible classes to prepare and teach; hymns to select and a host of other tasks that must be done—the list could go on and on. With so much to keep track of, both the pastor and the people can forget those things that are essential to the pastoral office—those things which Christ instituted the office to carry out. This week's catechetical material reminds us of the essential work of a pastor—work which is given by Christ Himself.

Catechism: What is the Office of the Keys? The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His Church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent. *Where is this written?* St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." (John 20:22-23) *What do you believe according to these words?* I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself.

Scripture Readings and Discussion Questions

<i>Monday</i>	Numbers 27:15-23 – Joshua to Succeed Moses To what are the people of God compared (v. 17)? How was Moses like a shepherd? And how will Joshua continue to be like a shepherd? To what will Joshua lead the people?
<i>Tuesday</i>	Ezekiel 34:1-10 – Against the Shepherds of Israel To whom is this judgment spoken against? Of what were the shepherds guilty of?
<i>Wednesday</i>	John 21:15-19 – Feed My Sheep Do you remember what Peter had done three times to Jesus (see Jn 18:15ff)? What is the significance of asking the question three times? What is Peter given to do?
<i>Thursday</i>	Matthew 9:35-38 – The Harvest Is Plentiful Why does Jesus have compassion on the crowds? What do the people need? For what does Jesus tell the disciples to pray?
<i>Friday</i>	1 Peter 5:1-11 – Shepherd the Flock of God The word "elders" in this passage refers to those who serve in the Office of the Holy Ministry (to pastors). What tasks are the pastors exhorted to carry out?

Learn By Heart Verse: Matthew 9:36

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

The Third Sunday of Easter

<i>First Reading</i>	Acts 9:1-22	<i>Epistle</i>	Revelation 5:1-14
<i>Psalms</i>	30	<i>Holy Gospel</i>	St. John 21:1-19
<i>Introit</i>	Ps. 145:4-7, 9, ant. v. 10		

