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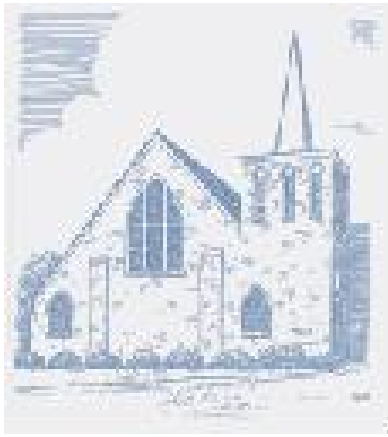
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2026 May Newsletter

*The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church
is to connect people with Christ...
because everyone needs TLC.*





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May Newsletter – Regular Activities at Trinity *God's People at Work, Worship, and Prayer*

- Sunday.....9:00am..... Worship Service/Communion
-10:30am..... Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
-10:30am..... Congregational Mtg., Quarterly
-11:30am..... Confirmation Class (Sept.-April)

- Monday.....

- Tuesday..... 8:00am..... Early Risers Exercise!
-9:00am..... Seekers Bible Study
-6:30pm..... LWML (Monthly-1st Tuesdays)
-7:00pm..... Elders' Meeting (Monthly-2nd Tuesdays)

- Wednesday..... 5:30pm..... Youth Night (**5:00pm** during Lent Season)
-5:30pm..... Wednesday Bible Study (Spring & Fall)
-7:00pm..... Preschool Bd. (Quarterly-2nd Wednesdays)
-4:30pm..... Board of Education (Monthly-3rd Wednesdays)

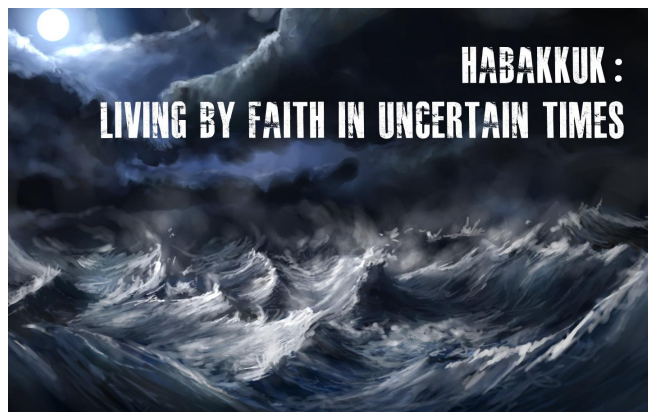
- Thursday..... 6:00pm..... Ladies' Night Out (Monthly-1st Thursdays)
-5:30pm..... Trustees' Meeting (Monthly-2nd Thursdays)
-6:30pm..... Men's Club (Monthly-2nd Thursdays)
-7:00pm..... Church Council (Quarterly-3rd Thursdays)

- Friday.....

- Saturday.....

A Note from the Pastor

In a world marked by uncertainty, anxiety, and rapid change, it can be easy to let yourself be overwhelmed. To make matters worse, with all the conflicting opinions and views shouted by the world, it isn't easy to know where to turn for answers. But God's



Word doesn't leave us without direction. The words of the prophet Habakkuk speak with surprising clarity and relevance. Throughout the month of May, we will walk alongside this Old Testament prophet as he wrestles honestly with God's justice, timing, and promises as we learn what it means to be "Living by Faith in Uncertain Times." Habakkuk does not hide his questions or fears; instead, he brings them boldly before the Lord. In doing so, he models a faith that is not rooted in easy answers, but in trusting the steadfast character of God.

Throughout this series, we will explore how God responds to Habakkuk's cries – not always with immediate solutions, but with the assurance that He is at work even when circumstances suggest otherwise. Central to this book is the powerful declaration: "the righteous shall live by faith" (Habakkuk 2:4). From a Lutheran perspective, this verse points us directly to the heart of the Gospel: that we are justified by grace through faith, not by our works, and that our confidence rests in Christ alone. This faith is not something we muster within ourselves, but a gift given through the Word and sustained by the Holy Spirit. Even when the fig tree does not blossom and the fields yield no food, we are invited to rejoice in the Lord, who is our strength and salvation.

Join us as we learn what it means to live by faith in uncertain times – not with fear or despair, but with hope grounded in God's unchanging promises fulfilled in Jesus Christ. This series will encourage and equip us to face the challenges of today with a faith that clings to Christ, confident that He is faithful, even when the path ahead is unclear.

Trusting in God's Faithfulness,



Pastor Matthias Dinger



Follow Him in Generosity



LCMS Stewardship

Our Savior calls us to follow Him in generosity. “For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you” (John 13:15). We cannot give our lives for the salvation of the world, of course. Praise God, that job is already done! But with hearts full of thanksgiving for what Jesus has given us, we can follow His example of generous giving. And Jesus’ generosity is not merely an example. Our Lord also commands us to act according to our gifts: “The one who contributes, [let him give] in generosity” (Rom. 12:8).

So, when we bring offerings to the Lord, we should strive to heed His command and follow the pattern He has established for us. Jesus did not give us leftovers. He gave His best. We should not give leftovers, either, but the first and best of what He has given us. Jesus did not give as an afterthought — He gave according to the plan of salvation God established from the foundation of the world. So, when it comes to our own offerings, we should make a thoughtful plan to give generously, in proportion to the way He has blessed us. Like the Macedonian Christians, who gave according to their ability, and even beyond their ability (2 Cor. 8:3), we should honor the Lord by giving a generous portion of the income that God provides us.

We should also give freely, just as Jesus gave freely for us. There is no compulsion involved in our works of love and our offerings to the Lord. We do not give grudgingly, but willingly and cheerfully, each “as he has decided in his heart,” as the Lord says (2 Cor. 9:7). There is no New Testament ceremonial law involved here. Rather, we are free to give as generously as our Savior has given for us!

In the same way, our Lord teaches us to give generously out of our love for Him and for our neighbor. Jesus shows us that genuine love is always love “in deed” (1 John 3:18). It is love that sees our neighbor in need and gives generously to help him. It is love that hears the Word of the Lord and does what it says. If we truly love, we give generously. If we give without love, our giving is not truly following Jesus.

Finally, we follow Jesus in generosity when we support His Gospel ministry and other works of mercy. The people of Israel gave generously to construct and support the operation of the tabernacle, for that was the place where the Lord received the Old Testament sacrifices, through which He bestowed the forgiveness of sins on His people. So, they gave abundantly, so abundantly that they had to be told to stop giving! (Ex. 36:5-6).

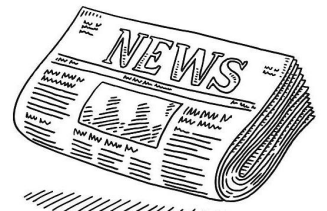
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In the same way, we should bring generous offerings to support the Lord's work. We support our congregations in the preaching of His Word, Baptism and the Lord's Supper, which bestow His gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation, and we take care of those who are poor and needy.

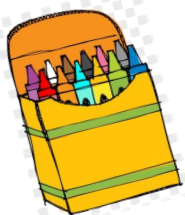
Our Savior calls us to follow His example in generous giving. Let us then, with thankful hearts, rededicate ourselves to following Him in generosity.

Sunday School News

This May, our Sunday School continues to learn about how we are delivered by God's gift of grace. We will also learn how Jesus gave us His body and blood through Holy Communion and showed Himself alive after Easter to His disciples! Here is a schedule of stories and activities we have coming up:



- No Sunday School-Confirmation Sunday (5/3)
- Jesus Teaches about Forgiveness (5/10)
- No Sunday School-Graduation Recognition (5/17)
- Jesus Gives the Lord's Supper (5/24)
- The Emmaus Disciples See Jesus (5/31)



TRINITY LUTHERN PRESCHOOL NEWS

The preschool has had a busy year so far. All students learned about the season of Lent and the LOVE that JESUS showed us!!! We had school pictures and everyone brought their smile to school that day. We will have 10 Pre-K graduates that will be honored on May 17th at 3:30 pm. We invite all church members to help us celebrate this big event with them. Our academic year will end on May 22nd. We will be looking to add 3 and 4 year olds to our preschool. If you know someone who is needing a Christian place for preschool, please send them our way. Thanks for all your support and prayers.

- TLP Staff



Graduating High School & College Students

Graduates and Parents of graduates, please let us know if you or your child is graduating this spring so you or your Child can be included in our graduate Recognition **Sunday, May 17th**.

You will need to turn in a form to the Church Office on behalf of you or the graduate along with a graduation photo. Copies of the form are available for you to pick up in the Narthex and overflow entrances/exits of the Sanctuary.

For any questions, please contact the Church Office.



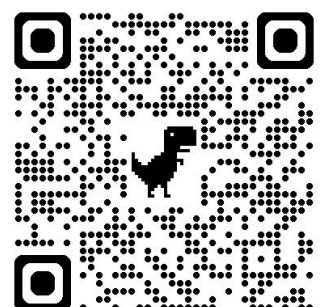
Want to help serve in the Church and Preschool?

- Pray for our Church and Preschool
- Read to our Students
- Provide a meal for our Wednesday Night Youth Group
- Volunteer to help TLC meals prepare or deliver meals to Shut-ins
- Send cards or call the sick or Shut-ins



National Day of Prayer

This year, National day of Prayer is Thursday, May 7th. The Sanctuary will be available from 8:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. and a “Pray around the Cross” at 5:40 P.M. There’s signup sheets in the Sanctuary as well as prayer suggestion pages. There will also be a national broadcast on the official National Day of Prayer website (linked here with a QR code) and Youtube channel.



Let's Dish

Ladies' Night Out

All Ladies are welcome to join us on April 9th. This month we are going to *Mia Maria's*, in College Station at 6:30 pm.

We will meet at the Church at 6:00pm or at the restaurant at 6:30pm. RSVP with Sarah Dinger!



This month our meal schedule is on May 5th and 19th.

We have main dishes & sides needed for both meals in March.

If you are interested with helping by cooking, food packaging, food delivery or for more information, please contact Loretta Supercinski or the Church Office. If you would like to look at the meal schedule, the sign up sheet is located in the Narthex of our Sanctuary.

Congregational Meeting



The upcoming congregational meeting is on May 24th. It will be held during adult Bible Class.

Vacation

Bible School



Join us for a Tropical Trek where we will learn how Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10)! As we traverse fun and exciting places, like a dormant volcano and island caves, we'll discover how God finds us and helps us in every challenge we face.

VBS will be from July 13-17th so save the date!

Attention all Ladies!



Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 5th at 6:30 pm for our annual *Ladies' Spring Fling!*

ALL ladies from the church are invited! Anyone that wants to bring a 'snacky thing' or a favorite game is most welcome to!

Come with a smile, empty stomach, and a desire to share your love for Christ with fellow Christian Ladies!



Easter Lilies



*We would like to thank everyone who
purchased lilies for Easter.*

Paula Binford

Frances & Steve Guse

Kathy Herwald

The Kalisek Family

Jean Lawrence

Glenda and David Luedeker

Dana and Joe Muller

Kim Ross

The Serres Family

Samantha Serres

Ross and Donna Sitterding

The Skrabanek Family

Brenda and Steve Storey

Jennie Thane

Andrew and Loretta Urban

Patsy Wuensche

A Very "Hoppy" Easter at the Preschool





MEN'S RETREAT



April Worship Service Helpers Schedule

ACOLYTES

- 5/3** Ava Wetherwax
Brock Perkins
- 5/10** Luke Gremillion
Reid Kalisek
- 5/17** Jase Kalisek
Gus Gremillion
- 5/24** Noah Schomburg
Cayse Beseda
- 5/31** Easton Abke
Brock Perkins

GREETERS

- 5/3** Loretta Supercinski
Rob Supercinski
- 5/10** Whitney Gremillion
Mark Gremillion
- 5/17** Gwen Lamascus
Alan Lamascus
- 5/24** Denise Winckler
Steve Winckler
- 5/31** Brenda Storey
Steve Storey

MEDIA TEAM

- 5/3** Parker Thane
Maggie Gremillion
- 5/10** Chase Ganske
Gracelynn Ganske
- 5/17** Larry Randall
Zack Gremillion
- 5/24** Dannielle Randall
Garth Leiber
- 5/31** Parker Thane
Tammy Harris

FLOWERS

- 5/3** - Confirmation Sunday **5/17** - Cindy Martin
5/10 - Pat & Hoot Wright **5/24** - Kim & Dwayne Ross
5/31 - OPEN



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*"Honor her for all that her hands
have done, and let her works bring
her praise at the city gate."*

- Proverbs 31:31

