

## April 2026 at a Glance

- Apr 2 - Maundy Thursday @ 6pm**
- Apr 3 - Good Friday Service @ 7pm**
- Apr 5 - Easter Worship @ 9:45,**  
Easter Egg Hunt @ 10:50am
- Apr 6 - Church Office Closed, Mission Team @ 6pm**
- Apr 8 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Prayer Time @ 2pm,**  
Choir @ 6pm
- Apr 9 - Esther Circle @ 10am, R&R @ 6pm**
- Apr 11 - UWF Sunday Planning Meeting @ 9:30am,**  
Lost & Found @ 10am
- Apr 12 - Choir @ 9am, Worship @ 9:45am,**  
Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am,  
Zoom Bible Study @ 5:30pm
- Apr 14 - Marcy Circle @ 6:30pm**
- Apr 15 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Choir @ 6pm**
- Apr 16 - Dominoes @ 1pm**
- Apr 17 - Set up for Spring Salad Luncheon**
- Apr 18 - Spring Salad Luncheon @ 11:30am**
- Apr 19 - Book Fair, Choir @ 9am, Worship @ 9:45am,**  
Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am,  
Youth Group @ 2pm
- Apr 21 - Leadership @ 6:15pm**
- Apr 22 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Prayer Time @ 2pm,**  
Choir @ 6pm
- Apr 23 - R&R @ 6pm**
- Apr 24 - Soup, Stories, & Success @ 5pm**
- Apr 25 - Life Line Screenings, Trinity Men @ 8am,**  
Lost & Found @ 10am
- Apr 26 - Book Fair, Choir @ 9am, Worship @ 9:45am,**  
Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am,  
Don & Millie's Day,  
Zoom Bible Study @ 5:30pm
- Apr 29 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Choir @ 6pm**
- May 2 - UWF Sunday Planning Meeting @ 9:30am**

## Early Response Team Training

You are invited to attend or volunteer for the Early Response Team (ERT) training, to be held at Faith Westwood UMC on April 11<sup>th</sup>. You can earn an ERT certification, which is required to enter spaces where a disaster has occurred. And volunteers are needed not just for physical activities but also important tasks related to crisis management like operating phone banks, and distributing cleaning supplies.

Link to register: <https://gp-reg.brtapp.com/ERTFaithWestwood41126>

What does the resurrection of Christ really mean in our lives? We believe that Christ overcoming death is good news, but what if it means the good news is uncertainty and astonishment?

From the women showing up at the empty tomb, to Thomas needing to see the holes in Jesus hands and sides, the resurrection reveals uncertainty and questions. I must admit that it has been a while since I have felt like uncertainty and questions are good news. As an adult, I'm used to being in charge and feeling like I have control. This Easter season, worship will be about looking at the world and knowing that it is okay to feel uncertain and have questions. Why? Because God.

God has conquered death. God has overcome evil. God has shown goodness and love. Let's let the promise of God's love be our foundation as we explore what it means to embrace the uncertainty of life!

See you in worship!  
Pastor Tessa



## Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to everyone who helped with this year's Community Easter Egg Hunt. It was a great success, and would not have been possible without you!

Please let Pastor Tessa know if you are interested in being part of a joint committee with Messiah Lutheran to plan next year's Easter Egg Hunt.

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Sunday Worship: 9:45am in person + online

Pastor: Rev Tessa Zehring

TLC Director: Megan Greise Media Director/Worship Leader: Matthew Hindley Choir Director: Chris King  
Accompanist: Caleb Silcott Office Manager: Lowell Schlenker

## Soup, Stories, & Success

Have you heard? After a journey of growth, documentation, and a whole lot of heart, Trinity Learning Center has reached the **highest tier** of rating from Nebraska's "Step Up to Quality" program, Step 5! What does "Step 5" actually mean for our kids? Deeper engagement through child-led, nature-based play. A focus on relationship-based teaching and emotional literacy. A commitment to excellence that goes above and beyond state standards.

We've been waiting for the right moment to celebrate this (and our Grand Opening!) with all of you. Join us at our upcoming **Soup, Stories, and Success** night! Friday April 24th at 5:00pm we will have an official ribbon cutting (since we opened during COVID and missed out on this originally) officially celebrating our Step 5 center.

Join us for soup and stories after. Be sure to purchase some books from our book fair! You can purchase for yourself and we receive a percentage of your purchase, or you can purchase and donate the books to TLC.



## R&R

R&R is a time for people of all ages to come together for a time to reflect on our faith and be revived. Meeting on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month, we start with a meal at

6pm, followed by a lesson or activity. During April, we will meet on the 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## Youth Group

Youth Group meets on Sun, Apr 19<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Youth Group is open to anyone in grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. Come and join in the fun!

## Craft for Christ

Crafting for Christ will not meet this month. Instead, plan to come and celebrate with TLC at Soup, Stories, & Success on Fri, Apr 24th from 5 - 7:30pm.

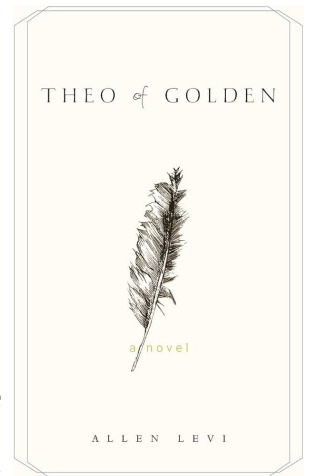


## Happy Birthday!

Would you like us to share your birthday with the church? Submit when your birthday is to the church office, and we will share it the week before it happens.

## Saturday Sisters Book Club

Due to a scheduling conflict, Saturday Sisters will not meet in April, but will return on May 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am in Room 205. At that time, we will be discussing *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi.



There are 92 pencil portraits by a local artist hung on the walls of a coffee shop in the city of Golden. A stranger by the name of Theo purchases them one by one and puts them in the hands of their "rightful owners." With each exchange, a story is told, a friendship born, a life altered. Please join us and maybe you will experience the same.

## Spring Salad Luncheon

This year's UWF Spring Salad Luncheon will take place on Sat, Apr 18<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 am. The theme will be "Nutz About Spring" featuring The Pluckin' Nutz as entertainment. Tickets are on sale now through April 12<sup>th</sup> for \$15.



## Dominoes

Come play a hand or more of dominoes on Apr 16<sup>th</sup> from 1 - 3pm. Light refreshments provided. Trinity invites all in the community to fellowship together for an afternoon of fun. All are welcome!



## Life Line Screening

Life Line Screening provides community-based, non-invasive preventive health screenings for adults, typically age 50+, to detect risks for cardiovascular disease, stroke, and chronic illnesses. Life Line will be here at Trinity on Sat, Apr 25<sup>th</sup>. Register for an appointment online at [LLSA.SOCIAL/HABC](https://llsa.social/habc).

## Ralston Archives

The Frank and Velma Johnson Ralston Archives will be open Sun, Apr 19<sup>th</sup> from 1 - 3pm. Come and see what's new!

