

Trinity Lutheran Church
ANNOUNCEMENTS
April 19-25

Live Stream Worship Service—A reminder that both Sunday services are live-streamed on our website (tlcmidland.org), available on You Tube (TLCMid3701), and Facebook (facebook.com/MidlandTLC). Please be aware that you may be seen on camera as you go up for the children's message or communion.

The flowers on the altar are given by Kay Bailey in memory of her parents, Robert and Esther Bailey.

A reminder to those who purchased Easter flowers and have not picked them up. They can be taken following the worship services today.

Baptized in Christ this weekend is Rhett Charles Bank, son of Alex and Ashley Bank. Please remember to pray for Rhett Charles and his family as he joins the Kingdom of God.

New Members— Today we welcome the following new members into the Trinity family. Please take a minute to welcome them.

Kim Birch
Sarah Cassidy and son, Finn
Ashley and Jeremy Flood
Heather Humm
Nick and Chelsea Lazurka and children Avery and Liam
Kyle and Ashley Nyeholt and children Mason and Ava
Laurie Parish
Jan Richards



In early June, Vicar Sophie Warnberg will be joining us from Luther Seminary in Minneapolis. She will be with us for about one year and will then enter the call process for ordained ministry. For more information, see the Trinity Tidings in your Friday email.



Personal safety is an important topic for us all. Trinity's own Ken Mault will be presenting a program on personal safety especially for seniors on Wednesday May 13th at 1:00pm in the Gathering Room. This will include situational awareness (paying attention to and assessing your surroundings) in public spaces, actions you might take in threatening situations (fire, intruder, shooter), and safety at home and while traveling, particularly alone at night. Ken retired from the Midland County Sheriff's Office as a Detective Lieutenant and is an adjunct instructor in the Delta College Police Academy. Anyone of any age who is interested in this program is welcome to attend. A sign-up sheet is available near the nursery which allows us to plan for refreshments, but sign-up is not required.



The Congregation is invited at the Service of Word and Sacrament with the Rite of Confirmation to be held on Sunday, April 26 at 11:00AM. We hope you will join us as we celebrate our youth and support them on their faith journey. The entire congregation is invited to enjoy cake in their honor between the worship services.



This week (April 22) will be the last meeting of Ignite for the summer. The menu is Pasta Bar, salad, and cookies. Hope to see you there. Enjoy your summer and we will see you in the fall. Watch for the start-up information.

SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS

Beginning Memorial Day weekend and continuing through Labor Day weekend, our Sunday morning worship schedule will move to **one blended worship service at 9:30 am**. This means that throughout the summer, we will gather as one worshipping body—bringing together the beauty of traditional worship, the energy of contemporary praise, and the joy of seeing familiar faces from every service all in one room. This will be a beautiful way to proclaim that we are one church and that there is room for all our voices.

Our Saturday evening traditional worship at 5:00 pm will remain unchanged, continuing as a meaningful and beloved worship opportunity throughout the summer.

And the joy does not end with the final hymn. We are also planning for a rich fellowship time after worship each Sunday, with coffee hour and a place for conversations, and meeting new friends.



Listening in Love—meets the first Sunday of the month at 12:15pm in the Hearth Room. Many of us know and love someone who identifies with the LGBTQIA+ community. This group meets monthly to discuss how we can support one another and our loved ones.

How do we best have difficult conversations? In the last year, Trinity has begun to have intentional conversations about what it means to be welcoming, inclusive, and affirming. Many of these conversations have taken the form of large group education opportunities, but there are helpful approaches to learn for one-on-one dialogue, too.

For April, we will be reviewing the Reconciling in Christ toolkit for future discussions (physical copies will be available). We are also looking for people who can donate some time to future leadership or involvement with the group. We hope to see you there!



Join us on Sunday, May 31 at the 9:30 am service as we celebrate our graduating seniors. Join us as we wrap them in God's love and continued blessings. Please join us after the service for cake in honor of the 2026 High School Graduates. Please call the church office 989-631-0692 to rsvp by May 15 and wear your graduation gown and the cap is optional.



Rummage Sale, April 25 from 9:00-2:00—Items for our spring rummage sale may be dropped at any time. You can get the key to the building from Cathy or Stacey at the Welcome Desk.

Volunteers are needed to set-up for the sale. You are free to come and work at any time that is convenient for you. Just stop and get the key from Cathy or Stacey. Volunteers will also be needed on the day of the sale. If you have any questions you can contact Sandy Avery at 989.600.8702.

Please do not leave anything outside the door.



Our next event is scheduled for May 31st. We will be learning from a local floral designer how to assemble floral bouquets from grocery store “build your own bouquet” flowers! Bring your own empty small vase to take home filled with beautiful flowers from God’s creation! Pretty cupcakes and cookies will be served. Ladies of all ages are welcome! Sign-ups will begin May 1st.

Save the Date!

It’s Loons Baseball Time - June 19th!

Trinity Family, you’re invited to a Loons Game Night held on **Friday, June 19th at 7:05pm**. It’s Foodie Friday with discounted food items, so invite your families for a fun-filled evening with your faith family. Group tickets are \$12.50 per seat or \$9 for the lawn. Additional information and sign-up sheets will be located by the nursery as of May 1st. Come for fun and fellowship and cheer on the Loons! Contact Stacey at the church office with any questions.



Summer Elementary Camp

A classic camp experience designed for your child to discover the love and grace of Christian community as they also begin to discover who they are as children of God.

For: Kids entering grades 3-5

When: Sunday, July 5 - Friday, July 10

Where: Stony Lake, New Era, MI

Register: ASAP for Discoverers at elcalivingwater.com (registration link for

Tidings: <https://www.ultracamp.com/clientlogin.aspx?idCamp=1063&campcode=LWM&lang=en-Us>)

Questions? Melanie - mlonsway@tlcmidland.org



Road Trip Vacation Bible School June 22 – 25 9 am - 12 pm

Registration Begins on May 1st.

Embark on a journey with God through the Bible! Join us for a thrilling road trip adventure where kids explore exciting destinations with the Navigator and their pup, Scout! Through Bible stories, games, and fun challenges, we will discover that God is always with us.



Holy Land Pilgrimage - January 18–28, 2027. We invite you to pray about joining a Holy Land Pilgrimage in January 2027. This sacred journey will take us to the places where Jesus lived and taught—Galilee, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, and more—combining worship, learning, and reflection along the way. Led by Pastor Jeff, this pilgrimage is an invitation to walk the land of the Bible and let scripture come alive in new and meaningful ways. Questions are always welcome.

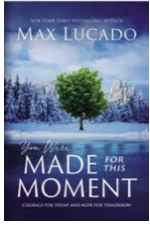


Visioning Trinity’s Future: We have created a spot on the church’s website to keep you updated with our process of visioning and strategic planning. You will find meeting minutes, what is happening and what is next. On the website, look under the heading “About” for “Mission and Vision”. Check back often to keep up to date on what is happening.



Need a prayer? We all go through circumstances from time to time where we could use an extra prayer or someone to listen. Trinity Lutheran has Stephen Ministers throughout the congregation who are trained to provide prayer, care, and comfort. If you find yourself needing a little extra care today, please stop in the Hearth Room after the service. A Stephen Minister will be there to share a prayer with you.

One of the many ways we make connections with God and with others is through the gift of Bible Study! Consider joining one this week.



Antioch Circle is studying "You Were Made for This Moment" by Max Lucado. All women are invited to join them at 1:00 pm on the third Tuesday (April 21) of every month in the Hearth Room. Contact Judy Richardson for details.



Trinity Men's Ministry All Men Welcome! Last Thursday of the month at 7:30am. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 30, in the church conference room.



WEDNESDAYS

• **Sunday's Coming Bible Study** meets on Wednesday. Come join us as we look at lessons for the coming weekend and enjoy a lively discussion. This group meets at 10:00 am in the hearth room.



Join us for two more weeks of Sunday School!

Sunday School Schedule:

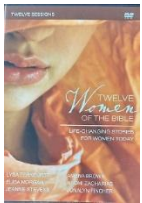
Sunday, April 19th at 10am

Sunday, April 26th will NOT meet, due to Confirmation Reception at 10am

Sunday, May 3 at 10am - last day of Sunday School!

Today is the last day for Confirmation Class—students will be confirmed next Sunday at the 11:00am worship service.

The Adult Sunday School class will meet today, Sunday, April 19, at 10 am (between services), in the Hearth Room. Join us as we resume our ongoing discussion series with "The Claims of Christ". Hope to see you then!



Trinity Women's Life Group—Meets Sundays at 10 am (between services) in the Conference Room. All women are invited and encouraged to join us as we continue our journey of learning about a new woman from the Bible each week. Come when you can! The nature of this study allows you to join us for fellowship, prayer, and discussion as your schedule allows. Questions? Please call or text Heidi Lang, 517.930.5037.



The Coffee and Conversation Group meet on Monday afternoons at 1:00pm and Tuesday mornings at 9:00am at Stranded Yarn and Coffee. Please join us.

Open Door – We are looking for help with making and serving lunch on Wednesday, April 22. We arrive about 9:30, make lunch, and serve it. We are usually done around 1:30pm. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lee Smith at (989) 415-5020.



Food Donations—Don't forget that Trinity helps support the food pantry with non-perishable food, paper products, or personal care items on the 1st Sunday of each month. Your donations can be brought to the church at any time during the month and placed on the shelves near the elevator. Thank you!



Calling all Preschoolers! Trinity Lutheran Preschool is accepting applications for the 2026-2027 school year for all church members, including current and returning preschool families. Class offerings will be for 3–5-year-olds, with a Lunchtime Learners program from 12-1 pm for the 4 & 5 year olds. Our preschoolers are constantly learning, laughing and growing as they explore art, math, science, and more while socializing with children their own age in a loving & caring environment. Stop in and see why Trinity Lutheran Preschool is one of the most honorable and highly recognized organizations offering early childhood education in the Midland area! Call Andrea at 989-631-0692 for information, a registration packet, and a tour of our facility. Email: trinitylutheranpreschool@gmail.com for more information.



Bless someone in recovery and help them maintain a job! Donate a working, used bike (tax deductible) to the Ten 16 Recovery Network Recovery Housing Program. They will pick up the bike if you live in the city of Midland. Email Scassidy@1016.org or call 989.631.0241 Ex 1024.



Confirmation Camp

All the fun camp activities plus bonding time with Joe & Pastor Jeff. It is an invaluable time for creating memories and growing in faith.

For: Kids entering grades 6-9 **When:** Sunday, June 14 - Friday, June 19 **Where:** Lutherwald, Howe, IN
 Register: lomik.org (registration link for Tidings: https://lomikadmin.com/cr/register_selectsite.php)
 Questions? Joe - jjohnson@tlcmidland.org

High School Youth Group Mission Trip | July 13–19

This summer, our High School Youth Group is hitting the road and heading to **Gaylord, Michigan** to make a real difference! We'll be serving a community still rebuilding after major ice storms last winter, along with other recent challenges—and we're THRILLED to be part of that work.

We're teaming up with **Pastor Megan Crouch of Peace Lutheran Church** (yes, *that* Pastor Megan—she's BACK!), and we've got some incredible service projects, meaningful moments, and plenty of fun in the works. If you're currently in high school—or *will be next year*—**this trip has your name on it.** Come serve, grow, laugh, and make memories that actually matter.

More details coming soon... you won't want to miss this!



PRAYER REQUESTS

Remember in your prayers this week: Colleen, Renie, Chris, Nick, Carol, Kelly, Adam, Joe, Charly, Toni, Weston, Julie, Brett, Gregg, Lori, and the family of Mitch Zieman.

Remember in your prayers those with Cancer: Sara, Craig, Lynn, Joe, Ray, Jerry, Marybeth, Angie, Brabara, and Tom.

Stewardship Update

Attendance for April 11/12: 254 in person 405 live-stream

Received: \$ 5,590.00

Unified Fund Income (from Offerings & Donations) &
Expenses (aligned to the budget - Operations, Benevolence, Resources, Education, etc.):

March 2026 <i>(Unified Fund Only*)</i>	YTD through March 2026 <i>(Unified Fund & YTD Investment Return*)</i>
Income: \$ 91,954	Income: \$ 268,499
Expenses: \$ 99,903	Investment Return: \$ (10,100)
\$ (7,949)	Expenses: \$ 287,290
	\$ (28,291)

**Not included: Dedicated Fund and Trinity Trust Fund balances*

If there are any questions, please contact Council Treasurer, Glen Mutscher.

Calendar April 19-26

	Sunday, April 19			Wednesday, April 22
8:45am	Traditional Worship Service		9:00am	PEO
10:00am	Sunday School for all ages		9:30am	Cooking at Open Door
10:00am	Confirmation Class		10:00am	Sunday's Coming Bible Study
11:00am	Contemporary Worship Service		12:00pm	Disability Network
2:00pm	Cathy White Cello Recital		5:15pm	Ignite
5:00pm	High School Youth Group		5:30pm	Aktion Club
			6:00pm	Confirmation Class
	Monday, April 20		7:00pm	Recovery Group
9:30am	Senior Yoga			
1:00pm	Coffee and Conversation at Stranded Yarn and Coffee			Thursday, April 23
5:00pm	MCFAN Annual Meeting		9:00am	Quilting Workshop
7:00pm	JuBELLation Rehearsal		1:00pm	PEO Chapter CZ
7:00pm	Midland Serenity Group		2:30pm	Open Door Volunteer Reception
7:00pm	Scout Troop 760		3:30pm	Disability Network
			7:00pm	Chancel Choir
	Tuesday, April 21		7:00pm	Recovery Group
9:00 am	Coffee and Conversation at Stranded Yarn and Coffee			
11:00am	Kiwanee Kiwanis			Friday, April 24
12:00pm	Staff Meeting		9:30am	Senior Yoga
1:00pm	Antioch Circle		11:00am	Memorial for Terry Brown
1:30pm	Stephen Ministry			
6:00pm	Toastmasters			Saturday, April 25
6:30pm	Sea Scouts		9:00am	Free Rummage Sale
			5:00pm	Worship Service
				Sunday, April 26
			8:45am	Traditional Worship Service
			10:00am	Reception for Confirmation Class
			11:00am	Contemporary Worship Service
			5:00pm	High School Youth Group