



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER

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SPECIAL SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

- ✦ **PALM SUNDAY**—March 28/29, regular service times
Holy Communion at 5:30 PM & 8:00 AM Services
- ✦ **MAUNDY THURSDAY Senior Service**—
April 2, 10:30 a.m. with Holy Communion
Followed by lunch in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP for lunch.
- ✦ **MAUNDY THURSDAY**—
April 2, 7:00 p.m. with Holy Communion
(live streamed and KDHL 920AM)
- ✦ **GOOD FRIDAY**—April 3, 7:00 p.m.
(live streamed and KDHL 920AM)
- ✦ **EASTER VIGIL** —April 4, 5:30 p.m. with
Holy Communion
- ✦ **EASTER SUNDAY**—April 5
8:00 a.m. - Festival Service with
Holy Communion *(live streamed and KDHL 920AM)*

10:30 a.m. - Contemporary Service with
Holy Communion *(live streamed)*



Installation

Thanksgiving to God for leading Pastor Alex Slotter to accept the call to serve as Trinity's Senior Pastor. We look forward to Pastor Alex's installation at Trinity on May 3!
(time to be determined)

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PASTORS SERVING IN MARCH

Thanksgiving to God for the guest pastors who will be serving at Trinity in March.

Midweek Wednesday services—The Rev. Rex Longshore

Saturday Services—The Rev. Dr. Brent Klein

March 1—The Rev. John Meyer

March 8—The Rev. Rudy Maurer

March 15—The Rev. Robert Burmeister

March 22—The Rev. Rudy Maurer

March 29—The Rev. Robert Burmeister

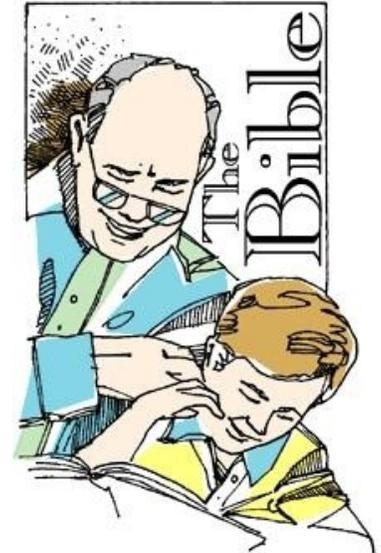


Bible in a Year—March

SERVING TRINITY & FLS

- Rev. Hal Rex Longshore,
Visitation Pastor
- Rev. Gatluk, Reat,
Sudanese Evang. Lutheran
Mission Church
- Noel Handberg,
Financial Coordinator
- Nancy Simonson,
Family Ministry
- Dustin Grund,
Property Manager
- Jennifer Kingland,
Office Manager
- Bill & Mary Jewison,
Custodians
- Chrysteena Saehler,
FLS Administrator/Principal
- Jeneen Michelson,
FLS Administrative
Secretary

Mar. 1 - Numbers 27, 28, 29; Mark 8
 Mar. 2 - Numbers 30, 31; Mark 9
 Mar. 3 - Numbers 32, 33; Mark 10
 Mar. 4 - Numbers 34, 35, 36; Mark 11
 Mar. 5 - Deuteronomy 1, 2; Mark 12
 Mar. 6 - Deuteronomy 3, 4; Psalm 36; Mark 13
 Mar. 7 - Deuteronomy 5, 6; Psalm 43; Mark 14
 Mar. 8 - Deuteronomy 7, 8, 9; Mark 15
 Mar. 9 - Deuteronomy 10, 11, 12; Mark 16
 Mar. 10 - Deuteronomy 13, 14, 15; Galatians 1
 Mar. 11 - Deuteronomy 16, 17, 18; Psalm 38; Galatians 2
 Mar. 12 - Deuteronomy 19, 20, 21; Galatians 3
 Mar. 13 - Deuteronomy 22, 23, 24; Galatians 4
 Mar. 14 - Deuteronomy 25, 26, 27; Galatians 5
 Mar. 15 - Deuteronomy 28, 29; Galatians 6
 Mar. 16 - Deuteronomy 30, 31; Psalm 40; I Corinthians 1
 Mar. 17 - Deuteronomy 32,33,34; I Corinthians 2
 Mar. 18 - Joshua 1, 2; Psalm 37; I Corinthians 3
 Mar. 19 - Joshua 3, 4, 5, 6; I Corinthians 4
 Mar. 20 - Joshua 7,8; Psalm 69; I Corinthians 5
 Mar. 21 - Joshua 9, 10, 11; I Corinthians 6
 Mar. 22 - Joshua 12,13,14; I Corinthians 7
 Mar. 23 - Joshua 15,16,17; I Corinthians 8
 Mar. 24 - Joshua 18,19,20; I Corinthians 9
 Mar. 25 - Joshua 21,22; Psalm 47; I Corinthians 10
 Mar. 26 - Joshua 23,24; Psalm 44; I Corinthians 11
 Mar. 27 - Judges 1,2,3; I Corinthians 12
 Mar. 28 - Judges 4,5; Psalm 39,41; I Corinthians 13
 Mar. 29 - Judges 6,7; Psalm 52; I Corinthians 14
 Mar. 30 - Judges 8; Psalm 42; I Corinthians 15
 Mar. 31 - Judges 9,10; Psalm 49; I Corinthians 16



PEOPLE OF THE WORD

“For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

Romans 15:4, ESV

CHRISTIAN SYMBOL: ALPHA MU OMEGA



The Greek letters that begin the words *yesterday*, *today* and *forever* remind us of Jesus’ constant presence with us personally and his eternal nature that transcends time as we know it. “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever” (Hebrews 13:8, NIV). Dozens of psalms and other Bible passages also proclaim that the Lord’s “steadfast love endures forever” (for example, Psalm 100:5, NRSV). What reassurance when life seems tough and fleeting!

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FROM THE LLB CHAIR...

Starting after Christmas, our sanctuary received a beautiful transformation. The new carpet has brought fresh color, warmth, and a renewed sense of welcome to the space where we gather to worship each week. This project came together through the hands and generosity of many people, and we want to extend our sincere thanks to everyone involved.

To those who helped move pews and furniture, prepare the space, coordinate installation, or simply offered encouragement along the way—thank you. Your willingness to serve has made our sanctuary an even more inviting place for all who walk through our doors. It's a reminder of what we can accomplish when we work together as a church family. As we enjoy this refreshed space, it's also a wonderful time to refresh our spiritual lives. One of the best ways to grow in faith and build meaningful relationships is by joining a Bible study group. Whether you're new to Scripture or have been studying for years, there's a place for you.

Below is a list of our current groups, each with its own style and focus. If none of these quite fit your schedule or interests, consider starting a new group—we'd love to support you in making that happen.

Bible Study



Sunday Morning Bible Study

9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the Trinity Fellowship Hall

Monday Morning Bible Study

Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Note: During pie-making season (approximately May-November), the group meets following pie-making in the Fellowship Hall.

Women's Monday Evening Bible Study

Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Note: Class will resume after Lent, on April 6.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Leaders; Todd & Joyce T.

Group Meetings: 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 6:00 p.m. in members' homes

Small Group Bible Study

Leader: Noel H.

Group Meetings: bi-weekly, usually Monday or Tuesday night

Women's Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. at the home of Vivian H.

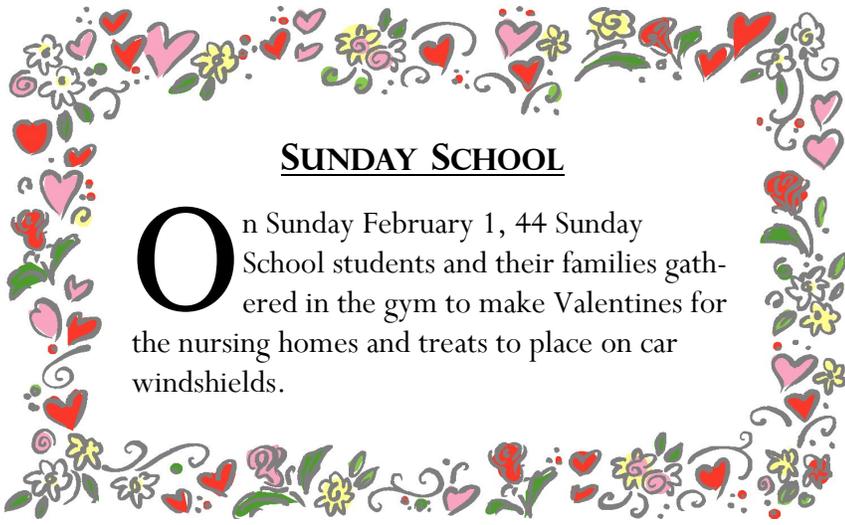
Men's Friday Morning Bible Study

Friday mornings at 8:00 a.m. in the Conference Room at Trinity

Let's continue growing together, learning together, and supporting one another as we step into this next season as a church community.

Mitch M.
LLB Chair

If you have a topic for me to address or a comment, please email me.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

On Sunday February 1, 44 Sunday School students and their families gathered in the gym to make Valentines for the nursing homes and treats to place on car windshields.



2026 VBS, Rainforest Falls is being planned for July 26-30. We are trying it one week earlier than usual to avoid conflicts with Pet Parade and Night to Unite. If you are willing to help with preparations, contact Nancy Simonson.

GRANDPARENTING

FAMILY MINISTRY

On Saturday, February 7 a date night was offered to parents with free babysitting. 15 children had fun playing games, making a craft and decorating cookies. Thanks to the 5 youth who helped watch the children.

Grandparents met on Tuesday, February 17 to watch the video entitled, “The Ultimate Impact: Mentoring Your Grandkids—7 Strategies for Creating a Powerful Connection.”

Our next meeting will be Monday, March 16 at 6:30 p.m. The video we will be watching is: **“What to Do When Loved Ones Go No Contact”** dealing with prodigal children and how to bridge the gap. All are invited to view the session.



On February 22, a class was held for two-year-olds and their parents. Parents learned how to talk about God and matters of the faith with their children through teachable moments and also learned how to speak words of blessing to their children. Parents had the chance to discuss with other parents of two-year-olds the challenges and joys of spiritual parenting. Each family was given a Pray and Play Bible story book. A blessing event will held soon.

Legacy Coalition believes that grandparenting matters! Grandparents have so much potential to impact the youngest generations to follow Christ.

From the Grand Monday Nights presenters each week, you’ll learn how to nurture your grandchildren’s faith and overcome grandparenting obstacles.

Grand Mondays are on Zoom each Monday night at 7 p.m. through Legacycoalition.com.

Zoom videos coming up in March:

March 2, 2026

Biblical Bonding - Three Simple Tools to Increase Your Impact and Influence

Kevin Cavanaugh, Executive Director of Free to Care

March 9, 2026

Not Too Late: A Story of Redemption and Hope - Trusting God When You Can’t See the Ending

Monty Christensen, Former Prisoner, Author

A special Lenten event is being planned for Sunday, March 1 at 9:15 in the gym. We will be making pretzels and practicing prayers at various stations.

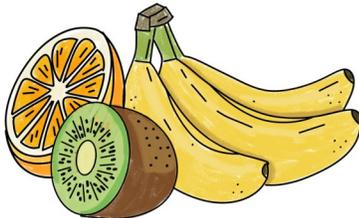




These cheerful "palm trees" make a bright reminder of the celebration that greeted Jesus as he entered Jerusalem.

What you need:

- Bananas (for the tree trunks)
- Kiwis or green grapes (for the palm leaves)
- Mandarin oranges (for the ground)



What you do:

1. Slice bananas in half lengthwise and place vertically on a plate.
2. Arrange kiwi slices or grapes at the top to form palm fronds.
3. Add oranges at the base.
4. Serve immediately or chill until ready to serve.

Scripture Tie-In:
 "Blessed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord!"
 —Matthew 21:9 (NIV)

Puzzle!

HOW'S THE WEATHER?

Use the code below to fill in these forecasts in places where Jesus traveled:

CODE:

A=☺	D=☼	H=☁	M=☆	P=◆	T=■	W=☒
B=●	E=✦	I=★	N=↑	R=●	U=□	Y=☞
C=☼	G=☼	L=★	O=↓	S=○	V=☒	Z=☞

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Jericho _ _ _
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Jerusalem _ _ _ _
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Dead Sea Area _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
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Sea of Galilee _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
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Mediterranean Coast _ _ _ _ _
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Answers: snow, hot, mild, tropical heat, gusty winds, breezy

FLS Monthly



Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 1

- FLS Sunday @ Trinity (10:30)

Thursday, March 5

- FLS BOD Meeting @ 6:00 (Peace)

Friday, March 6

- Winterim

Thursday, March 12

- P/T Conference 3:30PM-8:00PM

Friday, March 13

- No School
- P/T Conferences 8:00AM - 12:00PM

Wednesday, March 18

- Visitors Day
- 3rd - 6th Grade Musical Dress Rehearsal @ 1:20 PM

Thursday, March 19

- Parent Drive Day
- 3rd - 6th Grade Musical @ 6:00PM

Friday, March 20

- Parent Drive Day

Monday, March 23-Friday, March 27

- No School
- Spring Break

Wildcat Wow!

Decker - 2nd Grade
John - 6th Grade

School Contact

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flsoffice@flsweb.org

Reflections on March

March signals the start of one of the busiest stretches of the year at FLS. From here on out, it feels like a steady sprint all the way to the last day of school. We are also hopeful that this month brings a hint of spring.

Registration for the 2026-2027 school year opened on Wednesday, February 4, and as of February 17, we already have 25 students enrolled. Current families have until March 15 to complete registration and guarantee their child's spot for next year. If you happen to know a family exploring new school options, please feel free to connect them with me. I truly enjoy sharing what makes FLS special and giving tours to prospective families. Registration for both new and returning families is available online at TADs.com.

March also provides meaningful opportunities for families and congregation members to step inside the daily life of our school. Our annual Visitors Day will take place on Wednesday, March 18. The morning begins at 9:00 AM with Coffee & Conversations with the Principal—a relaxed time to connect and visit together. Chapel will follow at 10:00 AM. After chapel, guests are invited to join their FLS student in the classroom to experience activities, recess, and lunch firsthand.

We will wrap up the day with the 3rd-6th-grade musical performance. This year's production is "The Sailor's Bible." It is the story of Noah, Jonah, and Paul's shipwreck. The dress rehearsal will be held at 1:20 PM on Wednesday, March 18, and the evening performance will take place on Thursday, March 19 at 6:00 PM. We look forward to seeing many of you there as we celebrate the talents and hard work of our students!

God's Blessings,
Chrysteena Saehler
FLS Administrator

School Mission Statment

To empower and equip all students for Christian Discipleship and Academic Success in serving others for Christ and His church.

FLS BOARD MTG. MINUTES JANUARY 2026

**Faribault Lutheran School
1-8-2026 | Board Meeting**

Our Mission at FLS is to empower and equip all students for Christian Discipleship and Academic Success in serving others for Christ and His church.

Members Present: Eric R., Teasha A., Angie S., Jen J., Josh M., Debra B., Ann D.

Members Absent: Sara H.

Others Present: Chrysteena S.

1. Devotion/Prayer: Chrysteena S.
2. Call to Meeting Time: 1800
3. Approval of Minutes:
 - December Minutes: Teasha motions to approve, Ann seconds, motion carries
 - Amendment Meeting Minutes
4. Public Discussion Time: N/A
5. Faculty Time: N/A
6. Principal Report
 - Enrollment: 143 students
 - Rescheduled Christmas program to Jan 12th @ 1800 in FLS gym due to Trinity Carpeting project
 - NLSW begins with singing at Peace 0900 service; ends with Souper Bowl on Friday Jan 30th at 1700; kicking off Kids for Heart Challenge; book fair all week.
 - Curriculum Mapping update- next PD Day will be spent updating
 - Event planner- help organize and keep record of events
 - Calendar 2026-2027- review and tabled to next meeting
7. Treasurer Report
 - Discussion around payment from churches
 - Reviewed balance sheets
8. Committee Reports (Policy | Curriculum/Technology | Endowment/Financing)
 - Paid Leave Policy Update
 - i. Reviewed
 - ii. Teachers to review policy prior to taking leave with State
 - iii. Teasha motions Paid leave policy with change to supplemental items; Josh seconds; motion carries
 - Financial Policy Update
 - i. Reviewed for admin assistant to get more responsibilities- remove tasks from administrator's duties – Angie makes a motion to approve, Debra seconds. -motion carries
 - Development of committees for:
 - i. Budget committee-
 1. Angie, Chrysteena, Sara, Ann, Debra
 - Will develop more formed committees for:
 - i. Policies
 - ii. Fundraising

New Business

- Election - Board Treasurer
 - i. Sara for treasurer; Ann makes a motion, Josh seconds. -motion carried

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FLS BOARD MTG. MINUTES JANUARY 2026 CONTINUED...

- School Insurance
 - i. Will review with email documents- vote via email
- Curriculum Status Update
- Tuition
 - i. Needing fundraising: possible State of School Address, possible August joint church gathering with BBQ after with informational session
 - ii. 3% increase in tuition; Josh motions to increase tuition to \$4,225.00 for 2026-2027; Ann seconds. -Motion carries.
 - iii. Volunteer hours increase to 15 hours and fee to \$200; Josh motions, Debra seconds. - motion carries
 - iv. Registration fees (\$100/\$300) and technology fees (\$75)- to stay the same in 2026-2027 – Josh motions, Ann seconds. -motion carries
 - v. Discounts to remain same for 2026-2027 (listed below) - Josh motions, Ann seconds, motions carry
 1. Peace/Trinity Member- \$400
 2. 2nd child -\$250
 3. 3 plus children -\$1,100
 4. Peace employee- \$150
 5. Rostered Worker 50%- \$1850
 - vi. Script advertisement
 1. Josh to make a “how to” with script

Old Business

- After School Care Part-Time Assistant
 - i. Sierra Fuchs to be hired for 1 hour per day for assistant for after school care- Josh motions; Ann seconds. -motion carries
 - Second Para
 - i. Jen motions to hire second Para at the approved rate- Josh seconds, motion carries
 - National Lutheran Schools Week Plan
 - i. Chrysteena to send out letter
 - Middle School Lock-In
 - i. Letter went out to parents for volunteers
 - ii. Feb 13th from 6pm to 7am with the option of picking up kids at 10pm if they would like
 1. Skits, devotion, dance, gym time, karaoke, treasure hunt, breakfast, escape room etc
 - Athletics
 - i. Committee approach for coop; meet with Faribault Public School and BA
 1. Teasha to lead with following board members:
 - a. Chrysteena, Ben, Josh, Sara, Jen
11. Consulting Services: table this to talk about pro and cons
12. Upcoming Events
- January 12th - FLS Christmas Service
 - January 25th - 31st - National Lutheran Schools Week

Angie motions to go into executive session, Ann seconds. -motion carries 1953

Josh motions to leave executive session, Debra seconds- motion carries 2130

Meeting Adjourned Time: Ann motions, Deb second 2130

Next Meeting Date and Location: February 12th | 6:00 p.m. | Trinity



**Next Blood Drive
at
Trinity Lutheran
Church,
Faribault**

**March 31, 2026
11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.**

To sign up for this next drive, please scan the QR Code shown below and it will bring you directly to the upcoming blood drives.



Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: TrinityFaribault to schedule an appointment.



Join us for Dartball at Good Shepherd, Owatonna on Thursday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m.

You are invited to Game Night on Saturday, March 14, 6:30 p.m. in the Trinity Fellowship Hall.

Bring your favorite game and a snack to share or just come for the fun!



We are looking for a group to sponsor Easter Breakfast on Sunday, April 5. If you would like to host the breakfast, please talk to Jennie in the church office.



**SENIOR SERVICE & LUNCH
April 2, 2026
10:30 AM**

You are invited to a special Senior Citizen Communion Service & Lunch on Maundy Thursday, April 2, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

Dinner will be served in the Fellowship Hall after the service. The dinner is FREE, but reservations are required. Please sign up at the information center or contact Jennie in the church office.

We look forward to having you worship with us in this special service for seniors.

JANUARY PASTORS' REPORT

Each month a Pastoral Report is prepared in the Church Office. Classes, meetings, appointments, worship services, visitations and communions are tracked and reported by each pastor. In each month's newsletter we will be including the most recent form on file (January 2026).

	Home Visits	Hospital or Jail	Office Visits	Pro-spect Calls	Shut Ins/ Others Com-muned Privately	Shut Ins/ Others Visited- No Communion	NH Worship Attended	NH Worship Com-muned	Worship Services	Classes Taught	Mtgs. / Conferences Attend
Guest/Visitation Pastors	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	12	7	~
Lay Members	0	0	0	0	9	0	54	33	5	4	~

Baptisms: Wrenley H.

Weddings: 0 Confirmed: 0

Released/Removed: David Dickson

Profession of Faith/Affirmation of Baptism: 0

Transfers Out: Russ Schwichtenberg Transfer In: 0

Deaths/Funerals: Eugene Trench, Emily Drewitz, Mavis Keilen

Notes: Pastors led 12 weekend worship services and 4 Adult Bible Studies; Pastor Odom taught 3 - 7th & 8th grade confirmation classes; Lay leaders taught 4 - 5th & 6th grade confirmation classes and led 5 Nursing Home services

Official Acts:



Rev. Gatluk Reat January Report:
Sudanese Evangelical Lutheran Mission Church

Attendance

Week 1 – 180 (New Year's day service);
Week 2 – 32; Week 3 – 35; Week 4 - 40

Worship Services conducted in
Nuer & English in person and online.

Happy March Birthday!

Special Greetings to Trinity's Octogenarian and Nonagenarian members with March birthdays. We ask that you remember our fellow members in your prayers and help brighten their day with a card or visit.



Omitted from web version for privacy reasons. Please contact Jennie in the church office or pick up a printed copy of the newsletter for a list of this month's birthdays.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
<p>1 8:00 Worship 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Lenten Family Event 9:15 Confirmation Class 9:15 New Mbr. Class 9:20 Youth Bible Study 10:30 Connection -c FLS Students Sing 1:30 Bible Bowl</p>	<p>2 9:00 Bible Study 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</p>	<p>3 9:00 Staff Mtg. 2-2:45 FLS (FH) 2:30-3:30 Violins 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 4:30-5:15 LEGO Club (Fellowship H) 6:30 Card Club (Nancy Boldt's)</p>	<p>4 8:30 FLS Chapel 9:00 Quilting 2:30 New Perspective -c 4:00 Pleasant View Estates -c 5:15-5:45 Handbells 5:20 Confirmation (P) 5:45 Choir 5:30 Lenten Supper - FLS Potato Bar 6:30 Lenten Service</p>	<p>5 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn S.'s) 5:45-7:45 AHG Troop "Bring a Friend" (FH, N, Gym) 6:00 Connection (Schafer's) 6:00 FLS Brd. Mtg. (Peace) <u>FLS Winterim Setup</u></p>	<p>6 8:00 Men's Bible Study 4:00 AHG Lock-in (FH & Gym) <u>FLS-Winterim</u> <u>World Day of Prayer</u></p>	<p>7 6-1:00 AHG Lock-in (FH & Gym) 5:30 Worship</p>	
<p>8 8:00 Worship -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Confirmation Class 9:15 New Mbr. Class 9:20 Youth Bible Study 10:30 Connection 1:30 Bible Bowl</p> 	<p>9 9:00 Bible Study 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 6:00 Trumps' Bible Study (off site)</p>	<p>10 9:00 Staff Mtg. 2-2:45 FLS (FH) 2:30-3:30 Violins 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 6:30 LLB Mtg.</p>	<p>11 8:30 FLS Chapel 9:00 Quilting 1:00 Mill City -c 5:15-5:45 Handbells 5:20 Confirmation (P) 5:45 Choir 5:30 Lenten Supper - Bible Study 6:30 Lenten Service</p>	<p>12 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn S.'s) 2:00 Human Care 3:30-8:00 FLS Parent-Teacher Conferences 5:45-7:45 AHG "Move It Up" (FH, N, Gym) 6:00 Connection (Sanctuary) 7:00 Dartball (Good Shepherd, Owatonna)</p>	<p>13 8:00 Men's Bible Study 8-12:00 FLS Parent-Teacher Conf. <u>FLS No School</u></p>	<p>14 12-7:00 Sudanese Mtg. (Gym) 5:30 Worship Service 6:30 Game Night (Fellowship Hall)</p>	
<p>15 8:00 Worship 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 New Mbr. Class 9:15 Confirmation Class 9:20 Youth Bible Study 10:30 Connection -c 1:30 Bible Bowl</p>	<p>16 9:00 Bible Study 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 6:30 Grandparenting Night (Music Room)</p>	<p>17 9:00 Staff Mtg. 2-2:45 FLS (FH) 2:30-3:30 Violins 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 4:30-5:15 LEGO Club (Fellowship H) 6:30 Elders' Mtg.</p>	<p>18 9:00 Quilting 10:00 FLS Chapel 10:00 Milestone -c 1:20 Dress Rehearsal 3:30 Faribault Senior Living -c 5:15-5:45 Handbells 5:20 Confirmation (P) 5:45 Choir 5:30 Lenten Supper - LWML 6:30 Lenten Service <u>Visitors' Day</u></p>	<p>19 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn S.'s) 1:00 Women In Mission 6:00 FLS 3-6 Grade Musical (Gym) 6:30 AHG Leaders' Mtg. <u>Parent Drive Day</u></p>	<p>20 8:00 Men's Bible Study <u>Newsletter Deadline</u> <u>Parent Drive Day</u></p>	<p>21 6am-6pm Sudanese Service of Prayer & Fasting 5:30 Gospel Service -c</p>	
<p>22 8:00 Gospel -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Confirmation Class 9:20 Youth Bible Study 10:30 Gospel -c 1:30 Bible Bowl</p>	<p>23 9:00 Bible Study 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 6:00 Trumps' Bible Study (off site)</p>	<p>24 9:00 Staff Mtg. 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café</p>	<p>25 9:00 Quilting 5:15-5:45 Handbells 5:45 Choir 5:30 Lenten Supper 6:30 Lenten Service</p>	<p>26 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn S.'s) 6:00 Connection (Schafer's)</p>	<p>27 8:00 Men's Bible Study 7:00 Choir Concert (Trinity)</p>	<p>28 1:00 Doors Open 2:00 Wrestling (Bell) 5:30 Worship Service -c <u>Wrestling—Trinity Radio Rumble (Gym)</u></p>	
<p>29 8:00 Worship -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Confirmation Class 9:20 Youth Bible Study 10:30 Connection 1:30 Bible Bowl <u>Palm Sunday</u></p>	<p>30 9:00 Bible Study 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV <u>Parent Drive Day</u></p>	<p>31 9:00 Staff Mtg. 11-5:00 Blood Drive (FH) 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 4:30-5:15 LEGO Club (Youth Room) 6:30 Property Brd</p>	<p>FLS—Spring Break (March 23-27)</p>				

LAY LEADERSHIP BOARD MINUTES - FEBRUARY 2026

Trinity Lutheran Church
Lay Leadership Board Minutes
6:30 PM, Tuesday February 3, 2026

Attendance: Mitch M., Barb B., Penny R., Dan S., Nura N. and Carl V.
Brian F. was absent. Eric R. and Chrysteena S. were guests.

Opening prayer was said by Dan S.

Faribault Lutheran School Report:

Enrollment for next year will begin February 4th. Member tuition will be \$3,825. Non member tuition will be \$4,225. The open house/kindergarten round up will be February 10 from 5-6:30. The PTO will host the glow dance on February 20 for all our students. Eric as chairman of the FLS board asked permission to use the leftover tiles from lower rest rooms and Gala monies to extend the tiles over the existing tiles in lower level. Carl made a motion to approve the project and Dan seconded. Motion carried.

FOC report:

The general fund balance is \$44,559.63. January expenses exceeded income by \$4,136.65. We Received a donation of \$48,500. \$10,000 went into general fund and \$38,500 into restricted fund temporary holding account. Noel will be invited to next LLB meeting to discuss budget items.

Sudanese Ministry:

The Sudanese would like to hold a gathering of 300-500 people at Trinity on July 3, 2026. Decision was tabled till next month for lack of details.

Family Ministry:

Nerf day on January 19th was well attended for the younger group. There will be snow tubing at Camp Omega on February 8th. There will be a congregational potluck on February 15th to honor couples with anniversaries of all years. Nancy will be attending Best Practices Feb 9-14. A class for parents of two year olds will be February 22. March 1 will be a Lenten Family Event.

Pastor Report:

Pastor Alex will be moving to Faribault the end of April. The rental house needs to have updates completed by then. His installation will be Sunday, May 3.

Executive Session:

Dan motioned and Nura seconded to go into executive session. Barb motioned and Dan 2nd to exit.

Open LLB position:

With Dan leaving we need to find someone to finish his one and a half year term.

Tasks:

Revisit and update our time and talent sheets, Confirmation discussion, and church directory.

Calendar items:

Next LLB meeting: Tuesday March 10th at 6:30

Choir concert by Concordia Academy March 27th. We provide a Light supper at 5:30 for 43 singers and 10 adults. Concert from 7-8pm.

Mitch adjourned meeting/ closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb B.

2024-2025 REPORT: TRINITY RADIO CLUB

The Trinity Radio Club completed another year of broadcasting in 2025. We finished our 77th year in April, which is a fantastic accomplishment. Here are some numbers that really show what we've done.

- 4,019 Sundays
- 462 Weeks of Lent
- 231 Weeks of Advent
- 77 Christmases
- 77 Easters
- 77 Maundy Thursday
- 77 Good Fridays
- Plus, we did many Thanksgiving and New Year's services over the years

That's over 5,000 services we have broadcast since the Radio Club began. It is hard to fathom just how many people our broadcasts have touched over the years.

We began broadcasting our services live in February of 2014. Since then, we've accumulated the following statistics:

- YouTube views – 52,176
- YouTube watch time – 7,500 hours
- Facebook views (last year) – 78,400
- Facebook Interactions (last year) – 1,100
- Facebook visits (last year) – 7,500
- Boxcast (streaming host) – 31,468 views (since 1/1/2020)
- Boxcast Unique Viewers – 3,886

Where are our viewers watching from?

Minnesota	28,243	Ohio	105
Wisconsin	816	Nebraska	103
Illinois	366	South Dakota	79
Iowa	238	Missouri	78
Arizona	211	Kansas	77
Texas	165	California	77
Georgia	156	Virginia	76
Unknown state	142	Belize, Belize	67
Florida	110		

We have spent the past two years upgrading our computing and software systems, as well as our broadcast room. It wasn't without cost. But all the expenditures we have made have increased our capabilities and set us up for the future.

Some things we have accomplished:

- Switched internet carrier to Starlink, which has been an incredible move for us. It has increased our bandwidth, giving us greater streaming capability.
- Built a new streaming server, giving us more horsepower for streaming. We can stream 4K video if we want (overkill for what we need at this time, but possible in the future).
- Built redundancy into our system with two streaming servers connected to all the same infrastructure.

If our streaming computer were to have a malfunction during a service, we could be back up and streaming in minutes by switching to the backup system.

- Replaced the computer next to the sound board to better serve the needs of the new monitors in the church.

If we are not streaming, the monitors can be controlled by this computer.

- Increased the capacity of our portable streaming/recording system by updating the computer system.

We can stream from anywhere in the facility.

Some other things we have worked on in the last two years:

- Led the effort to replace the screen that faces the chancel area with an 85" commercial monitor. With a lot of help, we were able to make this happen (thanks to an excellent gift specifically for technology).

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2024-2025 TRINITY RADIO CLUB REPORT CONTINUED...

- Led the effort to replace the screens in the front of the church after the projectors died. From the day the first projector was lost, it took us 77 days to order two 99" monitors, find an installer, and get them all installed.
- Led the effort to get the 100" TV installed in the fellowship hall to be used instead of the projector and screen.
- Tuned the sound system in the church, getting rid of a lot of noise from the system.
- Bought new portable wireless microphones for use with the portable streaming computer system. Four microphones were used to capture voices at the dinner theater and to record the FLS Christmas Service held in the gymnasium.

Financial Snapshot

2024 Beginning Balance - \$86,041
 2024-2025 Interest Earned - \$2,042
 2024-2025 Donations - \$52,514
 2024-2025 Expenses - \$132,037
 2025 Ending Balance - \$8,560

The Radio Club has been very active, making sure Trinity abides by the Great Commission. We have been wonderfully blessed over the past 77 years. Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd V.



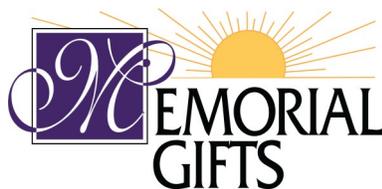
MEMORIALS

Each gift has been recorded in the Trinity Lutheran Church Memorial Book located in the Church Office. We invite you to stop by the office and note the special donations given in love and remembrance. All gifts to Trinity Radio Club are recorded, then acknowledged by the Radio Club during their Sunday broadcasts.

IN MEMORY OF MAVIS KEILEN

Trinity Quilters

\$30 by Virgil & Jane L.



IN MEMORY OF GENE TRENCH

Special Memorials:

\$500 by DuPage Community Foundation

I'M CLEAN!

Church reformer Martin Luther once had a nightmare about being judged by the devil. From a scroll, Satan was reading all the sins Luther had ever committed.

“What hope of heaven do you have as a miserable sinner?” the devil accused.

Feeling despondent, Luther remembered the cross. “There’s one entry which thou hast not made, Satan,” he said.



When the devil inquired about it, Luther responded confidently: “The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin” (1 John 1:7, KJV).

Praise God that he sent Jesus to be our Deliverer (Psalm 18:2) so we are no longer held hostage by Satan’s accusations!

TRINITY RADIO RUMBLE

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Featuring Trinity's own Miss Sierra F. enforcing the rules as the guest referee.

Tickets: \$20 per person (at the door)

6 and under are free

Refreshments on sale



TICKETS

\$15 ONLINE

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Proceeds benefit the Trinity Radio and Video Ministry. Every \$ brought in will go to the Radio Club. Donations have covered all the costs of the event.

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CHOIR CONCERT AT TRINITY

The Concordia Academy Choir will be presenting a concert at Trinity Lutheran, Faribault on Friday, March 27, 7-8:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Concordia Academy is a Lutheran High School established in St. Paul, Minnesota over 125 years ago. Originally a boarding school for young men entering the professional ministry, the school separated from the college in the 1960's and expanded to its own campus six miles north. Concordia Academy continues to emphasize academic excellence and nurture spiritual growth in Christ. The student body numbers about 330 students in grades 9 - 12, many of whom are involved in the music program.

The touring choir consists of 42 members in grades 10-12. The choir studies a variety of choral literature and will present a quality program of inspiring music for all ages during their visit. The concert is one hour long and will be worth your time! This is a free will offering event.

The Concordia Academy Choir is directed by Rebecca Fritz, former music teacher at Trinity Lutheran School, Faribault from 1989-1996.

