



**GIVE BLOOD  
at Trinity  
on Tuesday,  
May 26, 2026**  
**11:00 a.m.—  
5:00 p.m.**

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

**STEWARDSHIP**



May Newsletters are now available online on our website [www.trinityfaribault.org](http://www.trinityfaribault.org) under *News & Events*. Printed copies are on the worship carts. Be sure to read it today!

**STATISTICS**

**Attendance                      Gen. Fund Receipts**

*(Saturday/Sunday, April 18 & 19, 2026)*

225

\$ 11,277

**Weekly budgetary needs in 2026: \$14,767**

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Sat. (25 <sup>th</sup> )	5:30	Worship Service (C)
	6:30	Game Night (Fellowship Hall)
Sun. (26 <sup>th</sup> )	8:00	Worship Service (C)
	9:15	Adult Bible Study
	9:15	Sunday School
	9:15	Confirmation
	9:20	Youth Bible Study
	9:30	First Bible Class (Gym)
	10:30	Connection Service
	11:30	Confirmation Banner-making (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30	Lively #5 (Off site)
Mon. (27 <sup>th</sup> )	9:00	Bible Study
	6:00	Trumps' Bible Study (off site)
	6:30	Women's Bible Study
Tue. (28 <sup>th</sup> )	9:00	Staff Mtg.
	2-2:45	FLS (Fellowship Hall)
	2:30-3:30	Violin Lessons
	4:15	Community Cathedral Café
	4:30-5:15	LEGO Club (Fellowship Hall)
	6:30	Property Brd.
Wed. (29 <sup>th</sup> )	8:30	FLS Chapel
	9:00	Quilting
	5:30	Confirmation (Peace)
	6:00	Connection
	6:00	Handbells
	7:00	Choir
Thu. (30 <sup>th</sup> )	10:00	Prayer Group (Marilyn S.'s)
	2:10	Dress Rehearsal K-2 Play
	4:00	Confirmation Exams
	6:00	FLS K-2 Play (Gym)
Fri. (1 <sup>st</sup> )	8:00	Men's Bible Study
	12:30-4	FLS FH Kitchen
	3:30	Confirmation Exams
Sat. (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	5:30	Worship Service
Sun. (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	8:00	Worship Service
	9:15	Adult Bible Study
	9:15	Sunday School
	9:20	Youth Bible Study
	10:30	Connection Service (C)
	2:00	Installation Service of Rev. Alex Slotter & Reception

**- Serving Trinity Lutheran Church and Faribault Lutheran School -**

Nancy Simonson, Family Ministry    Jennifer Kingland, Office Mgr.  
Noel Handberg, Financial Coordinator    Dustin Grund, Property Mgr.  
Chrysteena Saehler, FLS Principal    Jeneen Mickelson, FLS Secretary    FLS Phone: (507) 334-7982  
Worship Broadcasts: Radio (KDHL 920 AM) Sunday at 8:00am  
Livestream: [www.trinityradioandvideo.org](http://www.trinityradioandvideo.org) 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Church Address: 530 4th St. NW    Phone: (507) 331-6579    Trinity website: [www.trinityfaribault.org](http://www.trinityfaribault.org)  
[Facebook.com/Trinityfaribault](https://www.facebook.com/Trinityfaribault)    Trinity Radio Website: [www.trinityradioandvideo.org](http://www.trinityradioandvideo.org)  
Consolidated Communications TV channel 10 & Charter channel 181, Mon. &/or Tues., 3:30pm

Our Mission:  
CONNECT...  
GROW...  
GO...



**Trinity News of the Week**

April 25 & 26, 2026  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
Faribault, MN 55021

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**A Word:** The fourth Sunday of Easter is better known as Good Shepherd Sunday in many Lutheran churches. In our Gospel reading, Jesus identifies himself as the Good Shepherd who calls his sheep by name (1-3) and as the gate that safeguards the sheep from thieves and robbers (9-10). Jesus is everything for the church. He is our complete and perfect Savior. Peter calls Jesus our Shepherd and Overseer in the epistle reading. As our Shepherd, we are to follow Christ by imitating his example in all circumstances. Therefore, when we suffer unjustly, we are to show humility, forgiveness, and faith, just as Jesus did.

Finally, in Acts 2, we see an outline of life in the early church. Verse 41 names the apostles' teaching, fellowship, the celebration of the Sacrament (breaking of bread) and prayer. Those four things remain central in the church today. In each one of them, the sheep gather around the Shepherd to receive his gifts. —*Pastor Alex*

**Confirmation Pictures and Rehearsal** will be held between services on Sunday, May 10! Confirmands and their parents should arrive at church by 9:10 a.m. with their gowns.

**NEEDED:** A lay leader for Adult Bible Study on Sunday, May 10. Please see Jennie in the church office if you would be willing to lead a one-time Bible study between services in the Fellowship Hall that morning.



  
*Installation*  
**Installation of  
The Rev. Slotter  
(Senior Pastor)**

**Sunday, May 3, 2026  
2:00 PM**

A reception will follow the installation service in the Fellowship Hall. Please come welcome Pastor Alex and his family to Trinity!

There will still be the regular 5:30 p.m. Saturday and 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Sunday services on May 2 & 3. There will also be Sunday School and Adult Bible Class on May 3.

**WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL READINGS**

Mon. 4/27: Psalm 146	Thu. 4/30: Isaiah 12:1-6
Tue. 4/28: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a; 51-60	Fri. 5/1: James 1:16-21
Wed. 4/29: 1 Peter 2:2-10	Sat. 5/2: John 14:1-14

## Attention!

Do you enjoy serving your community and want to grow closer to God? American Heritage Girls is a Christ-centered leadership and character development program for girls ages 5 to 18.

We meet two Thursdays a month during the school year right here at Trinity. In addition to the meetings, AHG (American Heritage Girls), offers a variety of activities during the summer, like camping and backpacking trips.

This program will help you learn about who you are and whose you are. Our mission is to build women of integrity through service to God, family, community, and country.

I was in AHG for two years when I was younger and then I rejoined when I was twelve years old. I have learned and grown so much in many different areas. This year, we talked about what it means to be priceless. I learned about how special I am to God and how He sees me as a daughter of the great King.

I love AHG because I get to earn badges, go to fun events with my friends, and I get to help my community. My troop has welcomed me, so we can also welcome you!

—Greta L.

(age 14, Pioneer Unit AHG)



**CONGREGATIONAL BACCALAUREATE SERVICE** in honor of Trinity High School graduates will be held on Sunday, May 31 at 8:00 a.m. Quilts made by Trinity quilt-makers will be given to the graduates during the service.

If you or your child is graduating this spring, please contact the church office, 331-6579, by May 16.

**You are invited to the FLS K-2 Play E-I-E-I Oops**  
(written by John Jacobson & John Higgins)

Dress Rehearsal: Thu., April 30 at 2:10pm  
Performance: Thu., April 30 at 6:00pm



**Needed to Borrow:** Barrel of Monkeys game for the week of VBS. Please see Nancy Simonson if you have the game to lend.



## Bible Bowl Report

Churches from Perham, Aitkin, Virginia, Waltham, and Faribault sent a total of 7 teams to the 2026 Minnesota State Bible Bowl on April 18.

Our team A composed of Jenessa F., Clara S., Greta L., and Braxton W. took 2nd place. Our team B composed of Julia S., Madison B., Summer D., and Nicolai R. took 3rd place. The team from Waltham took 1st place.

On the written test our people did well, but did not place in the top 3. We studied the Gospel of John ESV. There were 28 competitors plus families and friends for a total of 80 in attendance.

We thank Concordia St. Paul for hosting the event and providing the noon meal. A final thankyou to Pr. Maurer and Pr. Breitbarth for organizing this annual event for 40 years. We pray for the new leadership in the years to come. May God continue to bless the Minnesota State Bible Bowl. —Philip S.

## EVANGELISM

### **In Our Prayers for Strength, Comfort, and Healing...**

Cory; Lanny; Laura S.;  
Kathy A.; Harold B.; DeeAnn B.;  
Chuck B.; Gene B.; Lois C.; Steve C.;  
Fred D.; Joan E.; LeAnn F.; Don G.;  
Janice G.; Dwight H.; Vern M.; Cheryl M.;  
Bev & Bud P.; Cinda P.; Mertice R.;  
Darlene R.; Diane S.; Jayne & Todd V.;  
Arlene Z.

## **WE NEED YOU!** Ushers & Greeters

Greeters and Ushers are needed!



Please be a welcoming face at Trinity by joining either the Greeters or Ushers. Speak to Jennie in the church office to sign up.

### **SUBSCRIBE OR RENEW NOW!**

#### LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS

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\$27.82 cost per yearly subscription (\$2.31/per issue). Checks should be made payable to Trinity Lutheran Church with a note on the Memo Line Lutheran Witness. Contact the church office to subscribe and submit payment.

### FELLOWSHIP

**The Lively #5 Neighborhood Group** will hold their April gathering Sunday evening April 26 at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Mary Ellen Velzke (2621 Hanson Ave, Faribault.) Bring a dish to pass and JOIN US for fun, food, and fellowship.

### HUMAN CARE

“Sin and shame and guilt are taken away by one thing only—the blood of Jesus Christ—which cleanses us from all sin. Our sins have already been punished in Him, on that cross. Jesus bodily rose from the tomb so that we would know that now even death itself cannot harm those who belong to Jesus and trust in Him alone, for as He lives, so we live as well.”

Rev. Paul Clark, *Lutherans For Life of Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

**A member of the congregation needs rides to medical appointments. Please contact the church office if you can help.**

## Meal Train

FOR PASTOR ALEX & FAMILY



**Pastor Sloter and family** will be moving to Faribault the weekend of May 3. We would like to supply some meals for them during their first week and as they are busy settling in. There is a sign up sheet on the information desk.



We are continuing to collect non-perishable food, hygiene products, and household supplies for **St. Vincent De Paul**. Please place items in the bins beside the entrances on either side of the Narthex.

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul is a nonprofit organization. With overwhelming support from the community, they are able to gather and share resources such as food, clothing, and financial aid with those in need.

St. Vincent has no paid staff and simply accepts volunteers for various tasks. If you would like to volunteer, please feel free to contact them at 507-334-2100 or ssvdpdivinemercy@gmail.com.