

We invite you to attend a retreat with Faith Family Reunion

When children have left the church and faith in Jesus Christ, parents that are left behind often find themselves feeling isolated and alone. The feelings of guilt and shame can become overwhelming as they wonder what they did wrong, could have done better or what they failed to do. The end result makes parents feel as though they are living solo with the need to carry this burden on their own.

When: Saturday, October 17, 2026

Time: 9:00 am. to 3:00 p.m.

Where: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 2500 7th Ave. NE, Owatonna, MN 55060

Sponsored by: the Faribault Circuit of the MN South District of the LCMS

To Register: Call (507) 451-4125 OR use the QR code to register online



Cost: Registration is \$15 per person and includes breakfast, lunch and retreat materials.

During this time, we invite you to begin the journey of discovery together with us as we explore the notion that we might all share similar stories and that maybe you are really not alone on this road.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

|                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| Sat. (3 <sup>rd</sup> )  | Youth at Camp Okoboji<br>8-12:00 LWML National Convention (Fellowship Hall & Sanc.)                                                                                                                                                     |
| Sun. (4 <sup>th</sup> )  | Youth at Camp Okoboji<br>8:00 Worship Service (C)<br>9:15 Coffee Hour<br>9:15 Adult Bible Study<br>9:15 Youth Bible Study<br>9:15 Sunday School<br>10:30 Worship Service (C)                                                            |
| Mon. (5 <sup>th</sup> )  | 8:00 Pie-makers<br>6:30 2nd Century Trust Mtg.<br>6:30 Women's Bible Study (Fellowship H)<br>6:30 Sudanese Mtg.                                                                                                                         |
| Tue. (6 <sup>th</sup> )  | 9:00 Staff Mtg.<br>2:10-2:50 FLS Partners (Fellowship Hall)<br>6:00 Memento<br>6:00 FLS PTO (Gym)                                                                                                                                       |
| Wed. (7 <sup>th</sup> )  | 8:30 FLS Chapel<br>8:30 Women's Bible Study (Hagre's)<br>9:00 Quilting<br>2:30 New Perspective (C)<br>5:15 Confirmation Class<br>6:00 Connection Practice (Schafer's)<br>6:00 Handbells<br>7:00 Choir<br>7:30 Fellowship Committee Mtg. |
| Thu. (8 <sup>th</sup> )  | 10:00 Prayer Group (Steele's)<br>2:00 Human Care Mtg.<br>5:15 5:15-8:00 AHG Troop Mtg.<br>6:00 FLS Brd. Mtg. (Trinity)<br>6:30 Card Club (N. Boldt's)<br>7:00 Dartball (Gym)                                                            |
| Fri. (9 <sup>th</sup> )  | 8:00 Men's Bible Study<br>10:00 Bible Study (Realife Co-op)                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Sat. (10 <sup>th</sup> ) | 8-12:15 AHG CPR Class (Gym)<br>12-5:00 Bridal Shower (Fellowship Hall)<br>5:30 Worship Service<br>6:45 Women's Craft Event (Fellowship H)                                                                                               |
| Sun. (11 <sup>th</sup> ) | LWML Sunday / Pastor Appreciation Sunday<br>8:00 Worship Service<br>9:15 Coffee Hour<br>9:15 Adult Bible Study<br>9:15 Parent Event (Gym)<br>9:15 Sunday School<br>9:15 Youth Bible Study<br>10:30 Worship Service                      |

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



Trinity News of the Week

October 3 & 4, 2026  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
Faribault, MN 55021



October is Pastor Appreciation Month! Let's show our love and gratitude for Pastor Alex and his family this month! Offer your prayers, support, kinds words or a note of thanks to Pastor Alex, and let him know how much we appreciate his hard work and ministry at Trinity.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL READINGS

|                        |                            |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Mon. 10/5: Psalm 23    | Thu. 10/8: Isaiah 25:6-9   |
| Tue. 10/6: Deut. 6:1-9 | Fri. 10/9: Phil. 4:4-13    |
| Wed. 10/7: Eph. 6:1-4  | Sat. 10/10: Matt. 19:13-14 |

October 11, 2026: Parent Event – 9:15-10:15 in the gym. Do you have a vision for your child's future? Do you know how to help with your child's spiritual growth? Come and hear Pastor Alex talk about forming Christ in your child's life.



FLS 7th/8th Grade Wreath Sale Fundraiser

Order your Christmas wreath from the FLS 7th/8th graders! All orders are due by Monday, October 12. Order forms are available at the information center. All proceeds will be used to defray costs for 8th grade class trips. Pickup will be November 12. Thank you for supporting FLS.



Hymn of the Day: Today, we consider the Third Commandment in our sermon series. Our hymn of the day, *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*, echoes Luther's explanation for the Third Commandment that we should not "despise preaching and his Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it." But to do that, we need God to be at work. So we pray to the whole Trinity: in stanza 1, that the Father would keep us steadfast in his Word and curb all who oppose his Son; in stanza 2, that Christ would defend his Church so that we might sing his praise; and in stanza 3, that the Comforter would send peace and unity and lead us out of death to life. Pastor Alex

A Word: The Third Commandment is this, "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy." While we often focus on physical rest with this command, the author of Hebrews reminds us that true rest is spiritual. It is salvation, the eternal Sabbath, and it comes to us through Christ. Jeremiah 6 makes a similar point, as the prophet calls out to the people to walk in the "ancient paths" (the ways of God) to find rest for their souls. Finally, Jesus invites everyone who labors and is heavy laden to come to him for rest. He alone gives true rest because he alone gives salvation. Pastor Alex



EVANGELISM & OUTREACH



GREETERS: Your new schedules are in your Fellowship Hall mailboxes. Please be sure to pick them up!

- Serving Trinity Lutheran Church and Faribault Lutheran School -  
Rev. Alex Slotter, Senior Pastor Nancy Simonson, Family Ministry Noel Handberg, Financial Coordinator  
Jennifer Kingland, Office Mgr. Dustin Grund, Property Mgr.  
Joshua Baumann, FLS Administrator Jeneen Mickelson, FLS Secretary FLS Phone: (507) 334-7982  
Worship Broadcasts: Radio (KDHL 920 AM) Sunday at 8:00am  
Livestream: 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  
Facebook.com/Trinityfaribault Trinity Radio Website: www.trinityradioandvideo.org  
Consolidated Communications TV channel 10 & Spectrum channel 181, Mon. &/or Tues., 3:30pm

**In Our Prayers for Strength, Comfort, and Healing...**  
Beth; Cory P.; Kevin; Lanny; Mark; Harold B.; DeeAnn B.; Curt B.; Gene B.; Steve C.; Harland D.; Jackie D.; Fred D.; Joan E.; LeAnn F.; Don G.; Dwight H.; Vern M.; Cheryl M.; Jean N.; Bev & Bud P.; Jan P.; Cinda P.; Mertice R.; Diane & Dean D. S.; Jayne & Todd V.

**LWML Sunday will be October 11.** For over 80 years, the women of LWML have been serving the Lutheran Church throughout the nation and the world. Celebrate with these faithful women on October 11 with treats and coffee after the 8:00 a.m. service. Questions? Look for us as we wear our traditional purple clothing.

There will be a door offering on October 10 & 11, collecting Mites to help with the ministry and mission work of LWML.



**FELLOWSHIP**

**JOIN THE CARD CLUB** The Card Club will meet again on Thursday, October 8, 6:30 p.m. at the home of Nancy B. A sign up sheet and samples of the cards we will be making are at the information center. Hope you can join us!

♪ I've got the **J.O.Y.**...down in my heart ♪

We're having "Rural Schools in Rice County"  
At 1:30 on October 20  
The JOY Group is meeting  
Joy Zimmerman's greeting  
Sign up at the information entry.

**Join us for Dartball at Trinity, Faribault,** in the auditorium on Thursday, October 8, 7:00 p.m. Please bring a treat to share for coffee and fellowship afterwards.



**HUMAN CARE**



**If you took home a Baby Bottle** to help support Pregnancy Options LifeCare Center in Faribault, please be sure to return it to Trinity. All donations will be brought to Pregnancy Options to help with their life-affirming work.

**Trinity will once again sponsor** the Angel Tree Project. At this time we are asking the congregation for names of family, friends, neighbors and individuals in the community who may be struggling this Christmas. If you know of someone, please pick up an "Angel Tree Request for Information" form. These forms are on the Information Center in the narthex. Once you have completed the form, place it in the decorated box on the Information Center. Please do so by Sunday, October 25. All information will be kept confidential. The Angel Tree will be decorated and in the narthex the weekend of November 14/15. At that time you will be able to choose an "Angel" to gift.



**"Your life is valuable, and your life has purpose.** It was not an accident; it was planned from the beginning. But that doesn't mean it will be easy. You will experience hardship and suffering. As you age, your body will wear out. Your mind will dull. Your abilities will lessen. And yet, it is in your body with all of its brokenness that the Holy Spirit resides. It is this, your body, that God the Father formed by hand, and it is this, your body, that Jesus, God's Son, redeemed. And your body, a unique and miraculous gift, will be raised from the dead and made new."

*Michelle Bauman, Director of Y4Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

**STEWARDSHIP**



**SERVE  
GOD  
GLADLY**

**We are now seeking nominations** for the Lay Leadership Board and the Faribault Lutheran School Board. Both boards have multiple openings. Please prayerfully consider serving on one of these boards. For more information, please read the October newsletter (page 6).

**STATISTICS**

| Attendance                                            | Gen. Fund Receipts |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <i>(Saturday/Sunday, September 26 &amp; 27, 2026)</i> |                    |
| 254                                                   | \$10,953           |
| <i>Weekly budgetary needs in 2026: \$14,767</i>       |                    |

**Please check your Fellowship Hall mailbox for a special letter from Pastor Alex.**



**October Newsletters** are available on the Worship Cards and online on our website

[www.trinityfaribault.org](http://www.trinityfaribault.org) under News & Events.

**WORSHIP**



**You are invited to a special Reformation Chapel Service & Lunch** for seniors on Wednesday, October 28, 10:30 a.m. at Trinity.

Luncheon will be served in the Fellowship Hall after the service.

Reservations are required for the lunch by Wednesday, October 21. For reservations, sign up at the information center or contact the church office. If you need a ride or if you have any questions, call the office at 507-331-6579.



**Trinity and Peace will have a JOINT** Reformation service on Sunday, October 25 at 9:00 a.m. at Peace Lutheran Church.

Trinity will NOT have separate Sunday services, but we will still have the regular 5:30 p.m. Saturday service on October 24 at Trinity.

Please join us at Peace Lutheran Church for worship on Reformation Sunday at 9:00 a.m.!

**A Special Congregational Event** with fun and games will be held at 2:00 p.m. on October 25 to celebrate Reformation. Location: 24835 Gates Ave., Faribault. Everyone is invited!

**COMMUNITY**

**Trinity North Morristown  
(10500 215th St. W, Morristown)  
Fall Dinner**

**Sunday, October 11, 2026  
11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

Turkey, ham, and all the trimmings!  
Inside Dining and Take-Out Available  
Purchase your tickets outside our school  
\$15 for each dinner  
\$8 for Children's meal (6-12 years)  
Pre-K and under free  
Find treasures in our Country Store!  
(Baked goods, garden produce, home canned foods, and crafts)

*A portion of the proceeds go to support the Amyber (Stickley) Morrow Family.*