


# June 2026

Elder: Ryan Noble  
 Altar Guild: Curt & Lycia Anderson  
 Stewardship: Sharilyn Buryanek



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 5 pm Worship*
7 See Every Sunday Usher Team: JP Breugem Greeters: Curt & Lycia Acolyte: Lydia Camera: Justin Ortner A/V: Curt Anderson Accompanist: Tracy DeBruin	8	9	10	11	12	13 5 pm Worship
14 See Every Sunday Usher Team: Jerry Wakeman Greeters: Mike & Linda Acolyte: Levi, Luke Camera: Justin Ortner A/V: Larry Bauder Accompanist: Peggy Christensen	15 <b>LWML</b> 7 pm	16	17	18	19	20 5 pm Worship*
21 See Every Sunday <b>Elders meeting 8:30</b> Usher Team: Curt Anderson Greeters: Jon & Mindy Acolyte: Logan, Theron Camera: Justin Ortner A/V: Tom Murren Accompanist: Sharon Wakeman	22	23	24	25	26	27 No Worship
28 See Every Sunday <b>No Bible Class</b> Usher Team: Bill Buryanek Greeters: Bill & Sharilyn Acolyte: Eastyn, Lukas Camera: Justin Ortner A/V: Jon Burt Accompanist: Tracy DeBruin	29	30	<b>EVERY SUNDAY</b> 9:15 am Bible Class 10:30 AM WORSHIP COMMUNION ON 1ST, 3RD & 5TH SUNDAYS <a href="http://www.trinityhawarden.com">www.trinityhawarden.com</a> <a href="mailto:trinityhawarden@gmail.com">trinityhawarden@gmail.com</a>			

Pastor and Corinne gone to Germany June 22-July 10



No Thursday Bible Study for the month of June.  
**Sunday** morning Bible Class is at 9:15 am. We are talking about "Understanding Culture".



**ELDERS** meet at 8:30 am on Sunday, June 21.

**LWML** will meet on Monday, June 15 at 7 pm.  
 Our June mission is Lutheran Bible Translators.



Pastor Lowe and Corinne were gifted a trip to Germany from LCMS Disaster Response. They will be gone June 22-July 10. If you are in need of Pastoral care from June 22 –July 1 please call Pastor Tom Batchelder in Orange City 712-737-2112; after July 1 you can call Pastor Michael Boothby in Ireton at 712-278-2324.

You may also email: [trinityhawarden@gmail.com](mailto:trinityhawarden@gmail.com) or leave a voice message at 712-551-2743 and Lycia will get back to you ASAP.  
 Thank you!



### Vacation Bible School

“Join us for a Tropical Trek where we will learn how Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10)! As we traverse fun and exciting places, like a dormant volcano and island caves, we’ll discover how God finds us and helps us in every challenge we face.”

VBS will be July 20-24 from 6-8 pm. A light meal will be served during VBS.  
 There will be a short program Friday, July 24, at 7:50, with treats and fellowship after.

### **Volunteers are still needed!**

Registration for students and volunteers:  
<https://vbsmate.com/trinityhawarden>

Donations are needed for supplies, meals, and crafts. The Amazon wish list can be found here: [https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/2IG66GIC1FE12?ref=cm\\_sw\\_r\\_apin\\_ggr-subnav-share\\_WZYSP6XJTQBB9RSGN7JH&language=en-US](https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/2IG66GIC1FE12?ref=cm_sw_r_apin_ggr-subnav-share_WZYSP6XJTQBB9RSGN7JH&language=en-US)

If someone would like to volunteer or donate and doesn't want to use the links, they can contact Kara Vander Hamm.

## The Season of Trinity

In the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS), Pentecost is the 50-day culmination of the Easter season, followed by the "Season after Pentecost," ( or Trinity) which is the longest portion of the church year. It celebrates the Holy Spirit's descent to birth the Church and the ongoing growth of believers.

The LCMS observes this liturgical season through specific theological meanings, timelines, and traditions:

### 1. The Day of Pentecost

**The Event:** Commemorates the Holy Spirit being poured out on the Apostles in Jerusalem as a fulfillment of Christ's promise and the prophecy of Joel.

**The Meaning:** It marks the birth of the Christian Church and the ingathering of believers. Through the Holy Spirit, the Gospel was miraculously proclaimed in different languages so all could hear.

**The Focus:** LCMS teaches that the Holy Spirit continues this work today, gathering and strengthening the Church through the "means of grace": the Word and Sacraments (Baptism and the Lord's Supper).

### 2. The Season After Pentecost

**Timeline:** Following the Day of Pentecost, this season spans from late spring through late fall, concluding on the Feast of Christ the King right before the start of Advent.

**The Meaning:** Often informally referred to as the time of the church or the season of growth.

**The Focus:** The readings during these "Sundays after Trinity" transition to a strong emphasis on Christian life, faith development, and applying Jesus' teachings, parables, and miracles to daily life.

**3. Liturgical Colors** The seasons are visually tracked in LCMS churches through distinct altar and clergy vestments: Red: Worn on the Day of Pentecost to symbolize the "tongues of fire" and the Holy Spirit. It is also used later in the season for Reformation Day. Green: Worn for the majority of the Sundays after Pentecost. Green represents new life, vitality, and the believer's ongoing growth in faith and grace.



Bruce Bultman and Julie Eisma were joined in marriage on March 27 here at Trinity. Congratulations and God's Blessings to you both!

Thank you to everyone who generously donated their time, food and delicious desserts for the recent benefit dinner for Cory. We are so grateful to all the church members and community who attended and gave so generously. Your kindness and willingness to help made the evening extra special and truly appreciated. Also we would like to give a special thank you to Mary Ortnier for organizing the benefit for Cory. We are so grateful for the support of our church family and community.



**Cory, David and Shelly Aldrich and family**



### PRAYER CHAIN

God has called us to pray and promised to hear. Need a prayer? Please call Jean Toft at 551-6990 and she will pass your prayer requests to those who will pray. There is always room for more to join this prayer group. Please consider joining.

## Congratulations to our 8 Confirmands!

From left to right: Levi Huebner, Lydia Lowe, Lukas Burt, Cooper Steen, Paisley Anderson, Logan Vander Hamm, Brynnly Ericson, Eastyn Utech



Trinity has also welcomed 4 adults into our congregation so far this year through adult confirmation!

Coya Night Pipe on February 15, La Rae Power on March 8, Brenna Ericson on May 10, Julie Bultman on May 17. Welcome to Trinity!



We recognize Karlee Vander Hamm as she graduates with the Class of 2026 at West Sioux! Congratulations, Karlee! She is headed to Iowa State.

## Faithful with God's Money

The subject of money is repeatedly addressed in Scripture. In both the Old and New Testaments, people struggled with money in much the same way that we do today. An important question then and now is, "Whose money is it?" How we answer that question regarding ownership is pivotal in our lives. Are we acknowledging God's ownership and control? Do we see ourselves as stewards, not owners?

God's Word tells us that He has created and owns all things (Psalm 24:1). We are warned in Deuteronomy 8:17-18: "Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.' You shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He Who gives you power to get wealth..." God is not only the owner of everything; He is also the source of our wealth.

Being faithful with God's money means acting as stewards rather than owners, recognizing that all resources belong to Him. When we acknowledge God as owner of our money, we understand our obligation and responsibility to be faithful caretakers of all that He entrusts to us. As God's stewards, we realize that all things, including our money, are to be used for His purpose. We are expected to manage money wisely and prudently as well as have a proper attitude and relationship toward money. God holds us accountable for the money He entrusts to us. When He comes again, "... then each of us will give an account of himself to God" (Romans 14:12). Wise management of our money pleases the Lord, and poor management displeases Him. The Apostle Paul tells us "Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful (1 Corinthians 4:2).

God enables us to work and provide for our needs and the needs of our families by earning our living through hard work and effort. In order to spend wisely, save diligently, limit debt prudently, and give generously, we would be wise to prepare and follow written plans that can aid us in controlling our finances. Acknowledging that all we are and have come from God, we are enabled, through the work of the Holy Spirit, to make giving a priority. Because God deserves our first and best, we should make every effort to give to Him the first part of what we earn or receive. We are to give with purpose. Through our giving, we express our gratitude to God for His blessings, especially the gift of redemption through Jesus.

May God help us all understand that He provides and owns our resources, and that, through faith, we can manage His money in ways that give Him the honor and glory He deserves.



## From Pastor's Desk...

"Let's return thanks." That's usually what Christians say after they have prayed and received, often eaten the meal, to acknowledge God's gifts. We combine it when we add "Oh, give thanks unto the Lord for He is good and His mercy endures forever." Returning thanks is important, especially when you've received what you prayed for. Oh, give thanks to the Lord!

Two years! Two years June 22 the flood came. No one asked for that, no one prayed for that, and, yet, God gave it to us. It's a harsh gift. And, honestly, I'd return it in a heartbeat. I pray it never comes again. But looking back, I am thankful for God's care and generosity during that time. I hope you look back, too. Remember the smells, the filth, the sweat, tears, and loss. It's good to look back. Looking back at how bad it was only makes what we have now more meaningful. Oh, give thanks to the Lord!

We've come a long way. Water went down. Clean up happened. Construction began. New life emerged in the midst of yuck and destruction. Congregations, communities, and random people came together and helped their neighbors in time of need. Emotions run deeper than the water, but still laughter, joy, and gratitude float to the top. Our members homes were repaired or new homes purchased, church is back better than ever- it's all brand new! Oh, give thanks to the Lord!

Returning thanks at meals happens whether the meal was great, lousy, or ok. Returning thanks after this disaster happens while some still struggle and others marvel at the progress made. Not all of us are at the same place. But God is faithful and His steadfast love endures forever. His mercies are new every morning. That won't change. We give thanks for His generosity that came in so many ways- volunteers, hard work, long hours, financial gifts from all over the world, and other tireless recovery work that has been ongoing administratively since the flood.

Returning thanks also inspires us to be generous and to help others in their time of need. That's one of the great opportunities we have as Christians. It is also is one of the things that makes our returning thanks tangible to others. When we make our life's work giving to others from what we receive from God, we look around and realize all our needs are taken care of and we always had Jesus in everything. Oh, give thanks to the Lord!

## Happy June Birthdays!

- 1 Mandie Allen
- 2 Jill Upton
- 3 Ashley Bultman
- 4 Kim Waterman
- 5 Amy Huebner, Doug Noble
- 6 Dave Aldrich
- 7 Analiese Jacobs
- 8 Madison Aldrich
- 11 Coty Anderson
- 12 Brenda Finch, Antonio Topete
- 13 Jim Petry
- 14 Deb Kratochvil, Sherry Schuerkamp
- 15 Donna Lorenzen
- 17 Mindy Burt, Zander Utesch, RaeAnna Wangerin
- 20 Michelle Klaus
- 21 Mia Danielson, Emily Parks, Robert Upton
- 22 Calvin Hurtado, Tracie McManaman, Hannah McVay, Corey Utech, David Weinmann
- 24 Crew McVay



## Happy June Anniversaries

- 2 Brian & Karen Engleman 47 yrs
- 7 Roger & Audree Olson 40 yrs
- 8 Chris & Emily Parks 7 yrs
- 11 Scott & Shelly Schlumbohm 38 yrs
- 13 Eric & Mary Ortner 17 yrs
- 16 Duane & Teresa Sperle 25 yrs
- 20 Dough & Breanne Noble 17 yrs
- 20 Evan & Jill Vander Feen 39 yrs
- 21 Bill & Sharilyn Buryanek 46 yrs
- 22 Mitchell & Tara Gradert 2 yrs
- 22 Chance & Tamara Steen 13 yrs
- 26 JP & Holly Breugem 22 yrs
- 27 Duane & Carol Aldrich 62 yrs
- 27 Tom & Janie Murren 11 yrs



*Anniversary!*

## Summer Camps at Camp Okoboji Information:

Dear students and parents,

The Thrivent Choice committee of Trinity Lutheran Church would like to help kids attend summer camp at Camp Okoboji.

Camp Okoboji has a long history with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Previous campers would be anxious to tell you how much they love it and can't wait for next year. Activities during the camps include bible study, music, crafts and sports. More info is available at [www.campokoboji.org](http://www.campokoboji.org)

The church will provide \$100 per child in financial aid. We will also provide \$200 per child for week long camps and \$150 per child for shorter camps from our Thrivent Choice dollars. Additional financial aid may be available from Iowa District West for those with financial hardships. Talk to pastor if needed.

Our mission is to give every kid a chance to go to camp and every effort will be made to accommodate each family's financial needs.

Registering for camp and transportation to and from will be the responsibility of the parents.

Camp dates and costs are as follows:

Kids' Kamp is a weekend camp for kids in Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup> grade with a parent or other adult family member. Cost is \$145 for adult and \$95 for kid. Kids' Kamp is May 30-June 1.

2 options for Cub Week! Cub Week is for kids who have completed 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade.

June 22-26 (5 day option-pick up on Thursday) \$315

July 13-19 \$380

July 6-12 Junior High Week is for kids who have completed 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade. \$385

July 20-26 Youth Week is for kids who have completed 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. \$400

Please contact Mary Ortner if you are going to camp this summer and want to take advantage of the financial aid from church and Thrivent Choice dollars.

Mary's contact info:

[maryballard76@gmail.com](mailto:maryballard76@gmail.com)

Phone# 712-635-2497

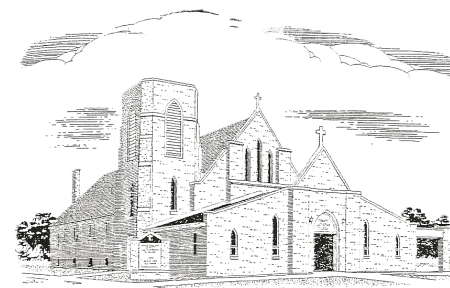
Thank you,

Trinity Lutheran Thrivent Choice Committee

# JUNE 2026 NEWSLETTER



Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Luke 12:6-7



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