



TRINITY TIMES

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Weekly News



ISRAEL AND GAZA: CIVILIANS CAUGHT IN DANGER NEED YOU

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Israel and Gaza



**LUTHERAN
WORLD RELIEF**

Your Q2 Special Appeal gifts will directly aid those suffering due to the war between Israel and Palestine. After an impactful Adult Education study throughout Lent, we have received another matching funds lead-gift for \$2500 to support the work of Lutheran World Relief in the region. You are invited to give now through June to double your impact to serve our neighbors in crisis.

Here is how LWR is at work from Rev. Tim Krick Senior Advisor, Congregational Engagement:

- In Gaza, we have been able to get a truck full of essential supplies through the one and only access gate. It was full of diapers, feminine hygiene products, laundry powder and more. Enough for 10,000 people!
- We are also working in Lebanon, to help the 90,000 Lebanese citizens that have been displaced from their southern border. In November 2023, 750 hygiene kits, 600 baby care kits, and 1200 school kits were sent to the southern Lebanon villages. In January 2024, and as the conflicts were accentuating, 125 food parcels were distributed to 300 families displaced in South Lebanon, with another distribution taking place on Wed. March 28!

While we are continually trying to help within Gaza and Israel as much as possible, it is extremely difficult to get aid in, therefore, we will continue to bring aid to the people in the southern portion of Lebanon who have been displaced due to the war. All gifts received and designated will be used in this way.

Dinner with *Jamil and Claudine*

May 22nd 5:00
LIVING FAITH CENTER

Together we will enjoy a dinner of Palestinian dishes followed by a presentation from Wartburg Theological Seminary Students Jamil Zoughbi and Claudine Elzoughbi regarding what life is like in the Holy Land.

Space is limited

RSVP by May 19th

outside the office, email admin@htlcdbq.com or at htlcdbq.com

A freewill offering will benefit our special appeal benefiting Israel and Gaza.



LUTHERAN
WORLD RELIEF

HUNGER OUTREACH

THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED MAKE
OUR QUARTERLY FOOD DISTRIBUTION
ANOTHER GREAT SUCCESS!

TOGETHER WE SERVED
OVER **120 FAMILIES**
WITH 45 VOLUNTEERS!



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Class of 2024

JOIN US FOR THE
CUTEST GRADUATION IN TOWN!

MAY 29TH
4:00 SANCTUARY

TREATS AND FAMILY
DANCE PARTY TO FOLLOW!

WELCOME CENTER

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Over the past few months, the staff, Buildings and Grounds Committee, and Congregational Council has been re-imagining some of our current office space to better serve our congregation and community. What was once just an idea has slowly become more of a reality and we are thrilled to share it with you!

Learn more at an
Interactive Tour!

May 5 - 9:45 or 12:00

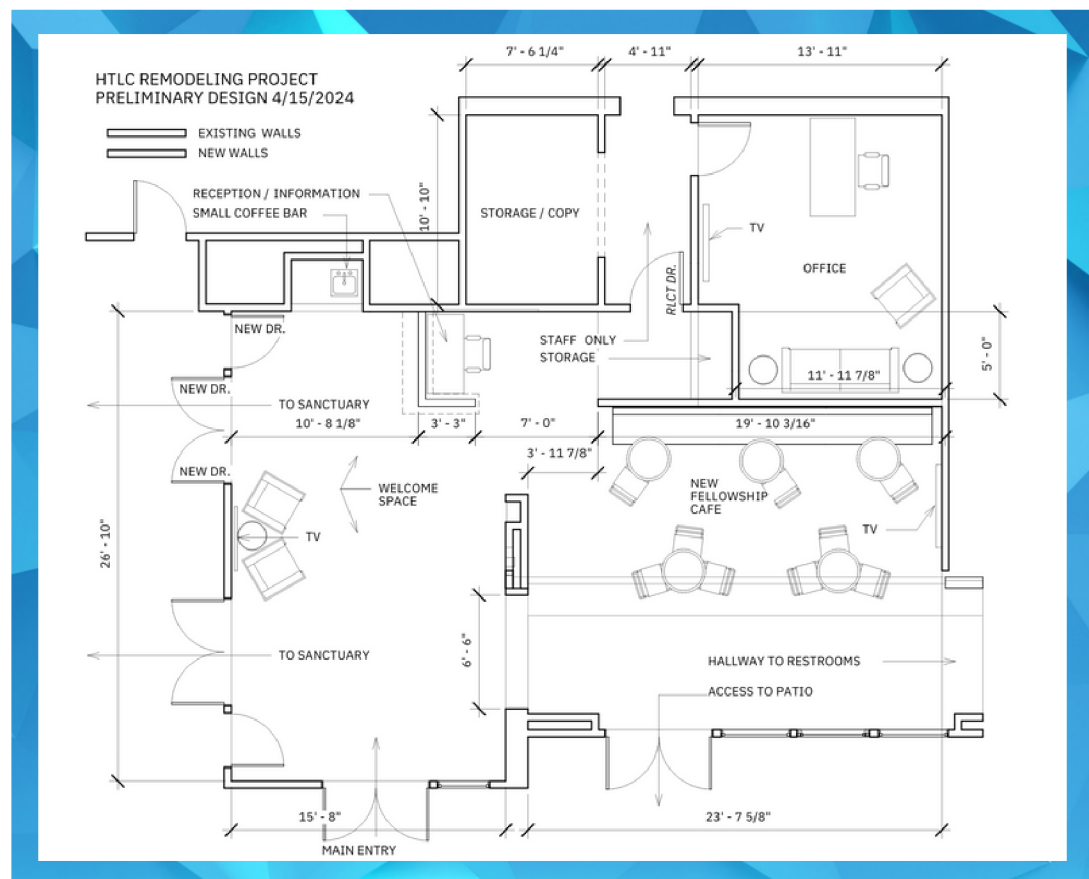
May 12 - 9:45 or 12:00

May 19 - 11:15

Or by appointment through the office!

*See the full letter online
or in your mailbox this week!*

See all the latest
Welcome
Center updates!



Congregational feedback forms will be available after interactive tours

Have a 2024 Graduate?
We would love to
celebrate with you!
Submit a photo and
short bio to the office
by May 8th!
admin@htlcdbq.com



Our New Orleans bound friends took advantage of a beautiful day to prep for The Gathering! We learned that most of them have never even heard of gumbo!



BSA TROOP 51 FLOWER

Sale

Get the BEST annual flowers just in time for Mother's Day at Troop 51's annual flower sale. These flowers are always vibrant and grown locally at a farm in Wisconsin. Proceeds from this sale support the young men of Troop 51 in their scouting adventures and programs.

SATURDAY, MAY 4
7:00AM - 1:30PM
ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN
CHURCH
3200 ASBURY RD



Adult Education

SUNDAYS 9:45 CONFERENCE ROOM



**April 28: Sumud: Journey to
the Cross**

**May 5: Looking back and
looking forward (last class
until fall)**



UNITY SERVICE

PENTECOST 10:00 AM

NO 8:30 OR 11:00
SERVICES

MAY 19TH



Thanks to a grant supported by funds raised through the ELCA Iowa Bishops' Ride Against Hunger, our hunger outreach ministry received a grant for a new freezer! This freezer will store prepared meals and extra inventory from food distributions! Thank you to the NEIA Synod for providing us with this important tool for helping our food insecure neighbors!



Northeastern Iowa Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

END OF THE YEAR

Celebration!

May 8th
Celebrate the end of the
programming year with us!
Dinner starts at 5:00!



The HTLC Community Foundation is proud to be participating in Great Give Day, a 24-hour charitable challenge organized by the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque. The online giving holiday will take place on May 17th. Mark your calendars, because we will need your help!

We will be joining more than 150 local nonprofits to raise money together and compete for additional prize money. Great Give Day is a community-wide event to show off Eastern Iowa's spirit of giving, raise awareness about local nonprofits, and celebrate the collective effort it takes to make our region great.

Learn more at GreatGiveDay.org.
How can you help the HTLC Community Foundation during Great Give Day?

• Donate on May 17 at
greatgiveday.org/organization/htlcdbq



FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL UPDATE

Updates from the Finance Team

- Finance team met on 4/24 to review the first quarter of 2024.
- Giving/revenue was very strong. Revenue was over budget by \$24,723.83, Expenses were under budget by \$1,171.75.
- Due to the strong giving results, the team reviewed anomalies such as large annual gifts and found nothing particularly out of the ordinary. Additionally there is a \$15,000 prepaid gift in our designated account that is not yet included in our giving.
- We also reviewed 10 years of data to look for giving trends and found that the first quarter has been extremely consistent at 25% of total annual revenue/giving.
- A designated account has been established for those wishing to directly contribute to reducing the line of credit. Currently it is being repaid in monthly increments as outlined at the annual meeting. Three monthly payments have been made in 2024.

Q1 2024	Budget	Actual
Revenue	108,830.00	133,554.00
Expenses	109,666.00	108,494.00
Net Income	(836.00)	25,060.00
Line of Credit Balance	n/a	13,749.00

See the full report in the May council packet

COMMUNITY DINNER &

MAY 1 & 8

MEAL SERVED 5:00-6:00

CLASS 6:00-7:15

ALL ARE WELCOME!





HTLC Foundation Request for Applications

Each year, the HTLC Foundation disburses approximately 5% of the funds managed by the Greater Dubuque Foundation. It's time again to ask groups or ministries at HTLC to complete a short application to receive a portion of the \$4,300 in available funds. In past years, grants have been used for such things as Lawn and Garden Beautification, Prayer Shawls, Courtyard Furniture, Nursery and Playground Improvement, Organ Repair, Youth Room improvements, Technology upgrades, a new keyboard instrument for the sanctuary, etc. Requests must be for needs that are outside of the parameters of the HTLC annual budget and that further the Mission of HTLC – “Living Christ’s call to Love and Serve All”. The Foundation board will review the applications and award the grant money at the end of May. All applications are due by Friday, May 10. There are applications available on the usher’s table. If you choose to use a paper application, please complete and return it to the foundation mailbox no later than the deadline of May 10. Applicants may also complete an application online by following the link on the HTLC website (www.htlcdbq.com) no later than May 10.

If you have any questions, feel free to ask one of the committee members: Howard Baack, Sue Berning, Dale Bjerning, Martin Lohrmann, Burnell Smith or Melissa Walen.

GOT OLD SHEETS?

A note from LWR Quilters!

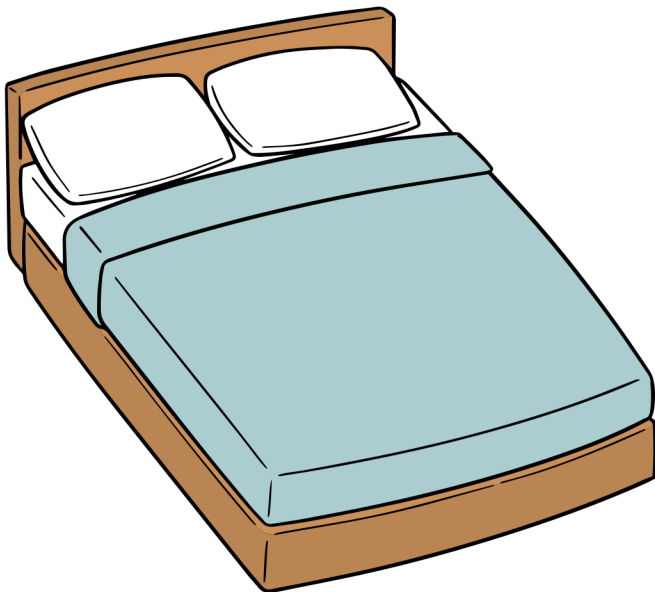
The quilters for Lutheran World Relief (LWR) have completed 2 months of quilting and have already shipped 29 quilts. Off to a great start for 2024!

What a great group of people!

But, that means we need fabrics to keep us going. Right now, gently- used bed sheets, fitted or flat, are a top need. Other fabrics such as cottons and polyester blends are preferred for the tops. Please do not send wool, fleece, upholstery, satins, linings, or sheer fabrics. We do accept flannels, but quilts made with this material need to remain stateside. Material sizes from 6” square to full bolts accepted!

We would also accept monetary donations towards materials, fiber fill and threads. Make checks payable to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and place WELCA as a note on the check.

Thanks to all who have donated to this mission. The need has been great with all the floods, extreme cold, wars, and earthquakes throughout the world.



Welcome!

Greeters are here to help with questions or directions!

Restrooms are down the hall and to the left.

Coffee join us for coffee and treats at 9:45 down the hall in the Living Faith Center!

Nursery We love having children in worship! If you find you or your child needs a break, head on over to the nursery. You will find books, toys, and a changing table. It is just down the hall from the sanctuary. Turn the knob near the door to hear the service from the nursery!

New Here? We are so glad you're here! Learn more about all things HTLC what makes this community so special!



Weekly News The Trinity Times is the source for all HTLC news and announcements. Grab a copy in the entryway or check it out online!



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