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# The Trinity Trumpeter

## Trinity Lutheran Church - Hildreth Nebraska - April & May Newsletter

### What's Inside

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- Upcoming Events

### Ways you can SERVE

- Sound Booth
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- Choir
- Bell Choir

### Risen For Easter Day

If you are looking  
for a blessing,  
do not linger  
here.

Here  
is only  
emptiness,  
a hollow,  
a husk  
where a blessing  
used to be.

This blessing  
was not content  
in its confinement.

It could not abide  
its isolation,  
the unrelenting silence,  
the pressing stench  
of death.

So if it is  
a blessing  
you seek,  
open your own  
mouth.

Fill your lungs  
with the air  
this new  
morning brings

and then  
release it  
with a cry.

Hear how the blessing  
breaks forth  
in your own voice,  
how your own lips  
form every word  
you never dreamed  
to say.

See how the blessing  
circles back again,  
wanting you to  
repeat it,  
but louder,

how it draws you,  
pulls you,  
sends you  
to proclaim  
its only word:

*Risen.*  
*Risen.*  
*Risen.*

—Jan Richardson



# April

## Worship Schedule

### April 7th

9:30 am Adult Bible Study  
 9:30 am Children's Sunday School  
 10:30 am Worship

### April 14th

9:30 am Adult Bible Study  
 9:30 am Children's Sunday School  
 10:30 am Worship

### April 21st

9:30 am Adult Bible Study  
 9:30 am Children's Sunday School  
 10:30 am Worship

### April 28th

9:30 am Adult Bible Study  
 9:30 am Children's Sunday School  
 10:30 am Worship  
 Communion

### Join Us Online

**Facebook**  
 Trinity Lutheran Church  
 Hildreth

**YouTube**  
 Trinity Lutheran



The Red Cross will be at Trinity on Monday, April 22nd. If you would like to schedule a time to donate you can contact the Red Cross by visiting their website at <https://www.redcross.org/give-blood.html>.



Rogation Sunday will be April 21st. If you would like Pastor Caroline to visit your fields for a blessing please get ahold of her to schedule a time.



The Nebraska Synod offers well grounded formation materials and lifelong learning opportunities through Emmaus. Emmaus is for all ages, levels of expertise and learning styles. Participants may choose to engage in online or in-room workshops, webinars, and conversation groups. To

find classes available and to register for these classes you can visit. <https://nebraskasynod.org/faith-in-action/emmaus/>.

This quarter's classes are:

Intervention -- It's Nothing Like a TV Show

It's a New Year -- Take Care of Yourself!

Revelation: God's Vision of Life for a Troubled World

Vocation and Call as PMA, Pastor or Deacon?

The Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory: American Evangelicals in an Age of Extremism

Revelation: God's Vision of Life for a Trouble World (Online)

The Art of Gathering: How We Meet and Why It Matters

## Committee Reports

### Education Committee

There is a 7th and 8th grade Sunday School class. All confirmation kids are encouraged to attend. Vacation Bible School has been scheduled for May 28th - 31st.

### Fellowship & Care Committee

### Worship Committee

### Property Committee

A smaller deck has been built for the parsonage to replace the deck that was torn off last fall.

### Youth

The High Schoolers want to say a big THANK YOU for all of your support. They still have a little ways to go until they meet their goal for their trip to New Orleans to attend the National Youth Gathering in July. They will be serving the Easter Breakfast on March 31st at 9:00 am.

### Stewardship

Trinity Lutheran Church  
Council Meeting Minutes  
March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Council members present:**

John Harms, Scott Fecht, Scott Schneider, Dale Blum, Nick Bunger, Abbey Lienemann, Leah Cavanaugh, Jamie Boldt, Cheryl Schepker, and Pastor Caroline Schenk.

**Absent:** Nick Haak

Abbey Lienemann called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Pastor Caroline led the council in prayer.

Dale B. made a motion to approve the agenda; it was seconded by Nick B. motion carried to approve agenda.

Nick B.. motioned and Scott F. seconded a motion to approve the February 5<sup>th</sup> council minutes. Motion approved.

**Pastor's Report:**

Lent and Holy week.

Palm/Passion Sunday from gospel of Mark.

Easter service 8:00am and 10:30 on March 31<sup>st</sup>.

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Pastor will be traveling to Turkey and Greece. She will be gone for 16 days. She will be following in the footsteps of Saint Paul.

Pastor will participate in Faith Forward, a program to instruct parents and grandparents how to teach children about faith. Pastor requests 4-6 church members attend as well.

**Old Business**

Council lunch postponed until April 13<sup>th</sup>. It will be a breakfast at 8:30 am. Council members will participate in a Leadership training during breakfast.

**Executive session-7:19**

**Regular meeting resumed @ 7:30**

**New Business:**

Constitution discussed, Cheryl S. moved to table constitution changes, Scott F seconded the motion, move carried to table discussion until April council meeting.

Dale Blum presented the financial report for February 2024.

Nick B.. moved to accept the financial report, and Scott F. seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Youth will serve Easter breakfast at 9:00am

No first communion service.

Senior Sunday will be April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024- Fellowship will serve.

**Committee Reports:**

Property committee: Council strongly recommended the change of color for the outside of the parsonage.

Youth Committee: A representative from the youth group will come to the April and May meetings. Entry fees were sent for the youth trip, fund raisers have been sufficient to cover expenses for the youth trip.

Discussed having a youth representative at every council meeting.

Next council meeting April 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am.

John H. motioned to adjourn, Scott F. seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. At 8:22

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheryl Schepker



Book Club will meet on Monday, April 22nd, at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The book we will be discussing is *The Gravity of Joy* by Angela Williams Gorrell. This was the book from March that we had to reschedule multiple times.



Theology on Tap meets Tuesday, April 23rd, at 7:00 pm in the back room of Kooper's Korner. This will be the last time we meet until Fall.



Sunday School is every Sunday morning starting at 9:30 am! Preschoolers through 8th Graders are welcome! The last day of Sunday School before Summer break is May 5th.



Pastor Caroline is going on a trip through Turkey and Greece to follow the Apostle Paul's footsteps. She will be gone April 2nd - 18th. If you need pastoral care during this time, please call the office and we will get you in touch with someone.



Quilting Group meets April 9th and 23rd and May 14th at 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome to join for sewing and fellowship. You do not need to know how to quilt as there is something to do for everyone!

The Cemetery Committee is accepting bids to mow Emmanuel and St. Peter's Cemeteries. Contact Nick Bunger with any questions.



Thank you to everyone that donated non-perishable items to the WELCA Food Drive. They were able to donate several items to the Franklin, Minden, and Wilcox Food Pantries.



Pastor Caroline is looking for 3-4 volunteers to help with a new program that she would like to bring to the church. You would need to be a parent or grandparent and wanting to grow your faith with your children or grandchildren. Pastor Caroline would give you the materials for learning at home. Then this Fall you would help other families with the program. Here is the website if you would like more information.

<https://www.grandview.edu/faith-forward>



## Confirmation CLASSES

Confirmation Class meets April 10th, 17th, and 24th and May 1st at 5:00 pm.

Junior High Sunday School meets Sunday mornings at 9:30 am in the Confirmation Room.



High School Youth Group will meet Wednesday, April 3rd and May 1st, at 6:30 pm.



Mark your calendars! Trinity's Vacation Bible School will be May 28th - 31st! We will start off every morning at 9:00 am and go until 11:30 am. Lunch will be provided to anyone who would like to stay.

VBS is open to all kids Preschool - 5th grade.

Kids that are in 6th and 7th grade will be with Lydia Stuehm doing projects that help the church, the community, and those in need. If you would be willing to volunteer to help in any capacity, please let the office or Kristi Rosendahl know.

This year the kids will hear stories about Elijah, Jonah, Jesus calming the storm, and Lydia.



There will be acolyte training on June 2nd. This training is for kids that will begin Confirmation in the Fall. Parents be on the lookout for the June Helper Schedule the new 7th graders will be added to the schedule in June.



Senior Sunday will be April 28th during worship. The Fellowship committee will host a potluck in the Fellowship Hall afterwards. Please bring your favorite dish to share.

We will be celebrating the following seniors in our congregation:

Chase Casper  
Carson Lindau  
Samuel Gruwell  
Keya Knaus  
Tate Garrett  
Grayson Sheen  
Brook Casper



Confirmation Sunday is May 19th. We will have a reception in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 am to celebrate our confirmands. Those getting confirmed are:

Drew Blank  
Camryn Bunger  
Sutton Strong  
Landon Lienemann



Mother's Day is May 12th!

Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.  
~ Proverbs 31:31



The church office will be closed May 27 in observation of Memorial Day.

# May Worship Schedule

## May 5th

9:30 am Adult Bible Study  
9:30 am Children's Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship  
Communion

## May 12th

10:30 am Worship  
Mother's Day

## May 19th

9:30 am Confirmation Reception  
10:30 am Worship  
Pentecost  
Communion  
Confirmation

## May 26th

10:30 am Worship  
Communion

Thank you to all of the Sunday School teachers and substitutes for helping the youth of the congregation grow in their faith.

Tiffany Casper  
Kristi Rosendahl  
Nikki Ingram  
Nicky Blank  
Bobbie Strong  
Abbey Lienemann

