

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

BLESSINGS

MAY 2026



A message from Pastor Emmanuel

Dear Sisters and brothers in Christ,

I greet you all in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! The month of May is filled with celebrations: Pentecost, Holy Trinity Sunday, Mother's Day, and graduation.

We will celebrate the Feast of Pentecost on the fourth Sunday of May. On Pentecost, the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit. This day serves as a reminder that the Holy Spirit can also come alive in our lives. May the Holy Spirit purify our thoughts, actions, and conversations. May the power of Pentecost grant us the strength and courage to embrace new beginnings for all who believe and are eager to receive the Holy Spirit.

Mother's Day is another special occasion we observe in May. I wish all mothers a Happy Mother's Day!

May the good memories of the past outweigh the challenges of the present. May God bless motherhood.

May is also a time for graduation. I congratulate Kristin and Summer McCormick, Abbi Thomas, Kobe Ottinger, and all those graduating this year. I wish them a bright future!

Please keep Trinity Lutheran Church in your prayers as we celebrate our platinum anniversary, marking 70 years of spiritual and numerical growth. Over these seven decades, we have faced a mix of challenges and triumphs, with both disappointments and joys along the way. Despite everything, including the impact of COVID-19—we stand strong today. We are here to offer our praise and affirm our belief that Christ is the head of the Church, guiding and caring for us. We will celebrate the church anniversary on July 12th.

Have a blessed May,

Rev. Emmanuel Penumaka

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Celebrations!

Happy Birthday!

May 2 - David Bokash
 May 9 - Kobe Ottinger
 May 15 - Charlotte Frantz
 May 15 - Charlie Fisher
 May 19 - Ian Campbell
 May 31 - Anne Thomas

Happy Anniversary!

May 20 - Tammy & Brad Campbell

Upcoming Events

JOIN US!

Coffee & Fellowship
 Sundays @ 10 a.m.

Adult Bible Study
 Wednesdays at 9:45 a.m.

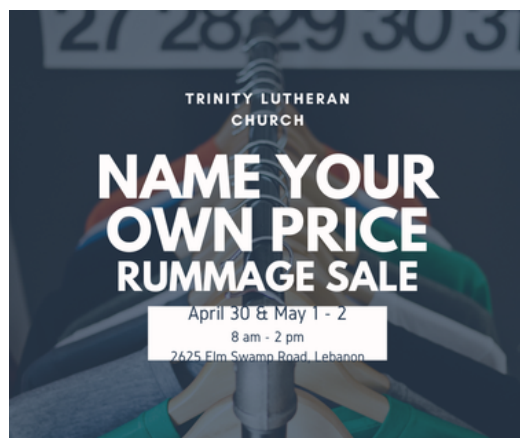
Annual Rummage Sale
 May 1 & 2
 8 am - 2 pm

Mother's Day
 May 10

**Betsy Inskeep
 Celebration of Life**
 May 16 @ 2 pm

Pentecost Sunday
 May 24

Fellowship Breakfast
 Sunday, May 31
 9:45 a.m.



May 1 & May 2
8 am - 2 pm

Hope to see you at the Rummage Sale!. Volunteers are needed to work the sale and help pack up following the event.



Join the Inskeep family on Saturday, May 16 at Trinity for a celebration of life for Stephanie "Betsy" Inskeep. Betsy and her husband, Keith, were longtime members of Trinity Lutheran Church.

The service will begin at 2 p.m. followed by a reception with appetizers at 3 p.m.

See Carol if you would like to bring an appetizer.

Sunday Worship

10:30 am—Traditional

*Communion
 1st & 3rd
 Sundays of the month
 and on Festival Sundays

Outreach

9:45 am—Adult Bible Study
 Wednesday's

10 a.m. - Coffee & Fellowship
 1st - 3rd Sundays

9:45 a.m. - Fellowship
 Breakfast
 Last Sunday of the month

Faithful Servants

	05.03.26	05.10.26	05.17.26	05.24.26	05.31.26
Greeter	Ruth & Ken J	Frank & Carol J	Randy & Hope G	Rick & Amy H	Tom & Jan C
Lector	Robin N	Tom C	Hope H	Dave S	Jeff T
Communion	Amy H	n/a	Laura W	Sandy T	Robin N
Usher	Ruth & Ken J	Frank & Carol J	Randy & Hope G	Rick & Amy H	Tom & Jan C
Altar Guild	Amy H	Laura W	Laura W	Robin N	Robin N
Music	John R	John R	Charlie F	Randy G	Valerie P
Coffee & Fellowship	Brenda P	Sandy T	Linda F	Anne T	Carol J
Counting	Council	Council	Council	Council	Council

If you are unable to fulfill your assigned date, please make sure to find someone to switch with you! The schedule is posted a month in advance on the bulletin board outside the office. The church council appreciates all you do to help make worship a great experience!

May Flower Dedications



Thank you to all of you who donate flowers for the altar in celebration of life events, in memory of loved ones and for the glory of God.

- May 3 - Vivian Bokash in thanksgiving for the gift of David
- May 10 - Kari Ottinger in celebration of Kobe's 23rd birthday
- May 17 - OPEN
- May 24 - OPEN
- May 31 - Gina Lucas in celebration of Baby Magee

Please mail or drop off your check for flower dedications (\$30).

Those who sponsor flowers may take home the bouquets following the worship service.

To sponsor 2026 altar flowers, click [here](#).
PLEASE NOTE: Flowers are now \$30 per week.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Steve Thomas, President
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 Gina Lucas, Treasurer
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Giving Update

	04.05.26	04.12.26	04.19.26	04.26.26
Current Expenses*	\$3,287.00	\$1,133.00	\$1,597.00	\$1,152.00
Loose Offering*				
ELCA/INKY Synod Grant*	\$1,500.00			
Building Fund	\$25.00		\$5.00	
Flowers*	\$60.00	\$30.00		\$30.00
TOTAL GIVING	\$4,872.00	\$1,163.00	\$1,602.00	\$1,182.00

Average Monthly Current Expenses*: \$8,789.00
ESTIMATED APRIL DEFICIT - \$211.00

Caring Center Needs

The Caring Center's mission is to stabilize families in crisis and move those caught in poverty towards self sufficiency. They help families and individual living in generational and situational poverty and those who are food insecure.

All donations should be placed in the tub under the bulletin board.



Congratulations to Abbie Thomas and Kobi Ottinger on earning their undergraduate degrees from the University of Arizona and Marian University.

Abbie will be relocating to Minneapolis, where she has accepted a position as a Business Management Associate with General Mills. Kobi has accepted a position as a Project Manager with Butler, Fairman & Seufert Civil Engineers in Indianapolis.

A special congratulations goes to **Sara Hammerle** on completing her Master's degrees in Art Therapy and Mental Health Counseling from the University of Indianapolis, and to **Alex Krohannon** for earning his PhD in Bioinformatics from Indiana University.

Their futures are bright!

MAY PANTRY NEEDS

Cans: • Mandarin Oranges • Peas • Peaches • Pineapple • Spinach • Tomatoes	Other Needs: • Apple Juice • Tomato Juice • Pancake Mix • Pancake Syrup • Sugar • Oil • Conditioner • Diapers sz.3
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