

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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*TRINITY
TRUMPET*

April 2025



Palm Sunday (4/13/25)

Worship at 8:30am & 10:00am

Maundy Thursday (4/17/25) - Sanctuary

Worship at 11:00am & 7:00pm

Communion & Stripping of Altar

Good Friday (4/18/25) – Sanctuary

Worship at 11:00am & 7:00pm

Easter Sunday (4/20/25)

Worship at 8:30am & 10:00am

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Office Hours:

Monday through Friday
7:30am-3:30 pm

Holy Trinity Staff:

Interim Pastor: Barbara Bartholomew
Choir Director: Robin Whitacre
Praise Team Leader: Jolene Moody
Secretary: Stacy Lake
Custodian: Julie MacKim

Mission Statement

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church exists to:
HEAL – Through Word and Sacrament,
TEACH – Through Word and Deed,
LOVE – Through being Sent to Serve,
In *CHRIST JESUS*

Please turn in your articles for the Trinity Trumpet by the third Sunday of every month.

E-mail your articles to
htlc.canton@gmail.com

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 am – Sanctuary & Livestreamed
(link will be e-mailed)

**bulletins will be e-mailed & snail mailed to those that do not have email

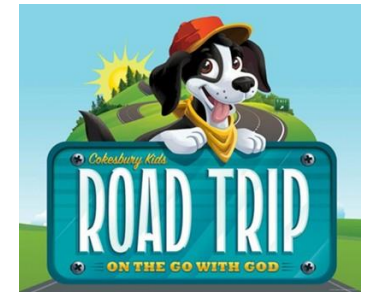
10:00 am – Family Life Center

**Holy Communion at both services

10:00 am – Sunday School

ROAD TRIP

Vacation Bible School July 14-18, 2025



This year's VBS will be the week of July 14-18 and the theme is "Road Trip – on the go with God". Led by the Navigator and an adventurous pup Scout, kids will learn that God is always with them. Get ready for twists, turns, and excitement as they face new challenges and find strength in God's presence on this unforgettable trip!

Volunteers are needed and the sign-up sheet is now posted on the bulletin board in the main entrance.



Stark Hunger Walk

Hunger affects 1 in 7 people in our communities. 1 out of 6 area children lack regular access to food. Help us **STOMP OUT HUNGER** one step at a time.

Date of Walk: Sunday, May 4, 2025

Starting location: Community Christian Church, North Canton

2:00 pm – Registration

3:00 pm – Start of approximately 2.1 mile walk

To contribute, please make checks payable to Holy Trinity and write "Stark Hunger Walk" in the memo or donate through Vanco on our website. **100% of all donations go directly to the FoodBank. Watch for envelopes at the Welcome Center.**

*****Walkers are encouraged to wear your GOLD "God's Work Our Hands" shirt.**

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please contact the church office at 330-492-0072 if we have missed your birthday, anniversary, or have the incorrect date.



4/04 – Ralph Ickes	4/25 – Brody Kebert
4/05 – Bethany Cox	4/27 – Craig Godwin
4/06 – Alexandra Cox	Anneliese Halvorson
4/09 – Evan Slatzer	4/28 – Valane Messerly
4/10 – Ron Schaedler	4/29 – Elaine Jensen
4/14 – Margo Daniels	4/30 – Karen Robenstine
4/20 – Denise Fudge	Janice Husted
4/24 – Tim Bailis	
Laurie Horn	



4/07 – Tim & Dawn Hart
4/29 – Ken & Stephanie Groves



Thank you to everyone for donating to Urban Ark, Sundie Undies, and our Food Box. We are truly blessed to have such generous members who are always ready to help others.

Respectfully, Council Social Committee

Dear friends of Holy Trinity,
Thank you for all the cards, visits, and gifts to my mom this past year. It really makes us feel special even if we can't get there in person.
Love to you all – Mary & Marcia Miller

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



“Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.”(Luke 24:5)

These words, spoken by the angels that greeted the women who discovered that the tomb where Jesus' body was laid was empty on that first Easter morning, tell the good news we celebrate Easter Sunday! We can take heart, be of good courage, have hope and be filled with joy! This is what the gospel is all about – the good news of Jesus Christ our Lord. Jesus is alive, lives again and is on the loose in the world and in the lives of people! What a wonder to celebrate! What joy is ours!

The late Rachel Held Evans in her book, *Inspired*, notes that when many Christians talk about the gospel, “they often say, ‘Jesus came to die,’ referring to a view of Christianity that reduces the gospel to a transaction, whereby God needed a spotless sacrifice to atone for the world's sins and thus sacrificed Jesus on the cross so believers could go to heaven. ...Dallas Willard called it, ‘the gospel of sin management.’

“Jesus didn't just ‘come to die’. Jesus came to live – to teach, to heal, to tell stories, to turn over tables, to touch people who weren't supposed to be touched and eat with people who weren't supposed to be eaten with, to break bread, to pour wine, to wash feet, to face temptation, to tick off the authorities, to fulfill Scripture, to forgive, to announce the start of a brand-new kingdom, to show us what that kingdom is like, to show us what God is like, to love his enemies to the point of death at their hands, and to beat death by rising from the grave.

“Jesus did not simply die to save us from our sins; Jesus *lived* to save us from our sins.”

We celebrate Easter, knowing Christ Jesus came and lived to save us from our sins, gave his life up for us, so that we would be forgiven and have life; new, abundant and eternal. Who rose from death to life that we would have joy and hope.

The biblical scholar, N.T. Wright defines hope as, “what you get when you suddenly realize that a different worldview is possible, a worldview in which the rich, the powerful, and the unscrupulous do not after all have the last word. The same worldview shift that is demanded by the resurrection of Jesus is the shift that will enable us to change the world.” For death is not the end, new and eternal life is now possible because of the resurrection of Jesus. Our worldview changes of what is possible and gives us hope to live with all of our days.

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So, let us celebrate with joy and thanksgiving that Jesus lived and lives again and anew! Let us celebrate with joy, that by the death and resurrection of Christ Jesus we are forgiven and given new life and eternal life. Let us celebrate with joy, the hope we live in and with every day! Let us celebrate with joy that the gospel, the good news of Jesus is for all the world and infuses the world with life, hope, forgiveness, peace and abounding joy! Let us celebrate with joy that your new pastor, Juli, will bring new possibilities, new ministries and fresh ideas to Holy Trinity. What a wonderful way to celebrate the good news of Easter than with your new pastor arriving and living into new life with you!

Blessings and joy to you this Easter! Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Jesus came to live and live again and anew that we would have life!
Pastor Barbara

WORSHIP IN APRIL

April 6 – Lent 5

Isaiah 43:16-21
Psalm 126
Philippians 3:4b-14
John 12:1-8



April 13 – Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11
Luke 22:14-23:56

April 17 – Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

April 18 – Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1-19, 42

April 20 – Easter

Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:19-26
Luke 24:1-12



April 27 – Second Easter

Acts 5:27-32
Psalm 118:14-29
Revelation 1:4-8
John 20:19-31
ONE SERVICE – 9:00AM



EXPLORE THE BIBLE

Saturdays, April 5 & 12
9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Explore the Bible class for second graders (or third graders that haven't done it) will be held on April 5 & 12 from 9:30-11:00am. Participants will receive their Bible on Palm Sunday, April 13.



CROCHET/KNITTING GROUP



We will meet on Thursday, April 3 from 5:30-7:00pm in the Conference Room.

STAMPING GROUP

We will meet on Monday, April 7 at 6:30pm at Holy Trinity. The cost is \$3.



SASSY SCISSORS

We will meet on Monday, April 14 & Tuesday, April 15 from 10am-2pm. (Notice day change)
All are welcome!



LENTEN GIVING CALENDAR

Remember to bring your Lenten Giving Calendar offerings with you on Easter Sunday, marked: ELCA Disaster Relief. We will split our offerings for both Hurricane relief, those affected in North Carolina, and for Wildfire relief, those affected in California.





WEDNESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We gather on Wednesday mornings from 9:00-10:00 at the church. We will be using a study guide based on writings in "Matthew" entitled "Matthew - Heaven On Earth". This study delves deeper into what it means for heaven to come to earth: studying Jesus' words, his way of life, and the manner in which he loved. Discover how we are the change agents Jesus is calling forth to make the Kingdom of heaven a reality on earth! Our Bible study moves at an easy, relaxed pace. All men are welcome. If you are free on Wednesday mornings, we would be honored to have you join us.

SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

We will meet on Saturday, April 5 at 10:00 AM in the library. We will continue our video series "You Are Never Alone". Please join us...all are welcome!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We will meet on Wednesday, April 2 at 10:00am in the library. Please read the Book of HABAKKUK before we meet. We will be discussing how this book applies to today and how it applies to us personally. Bring your Bible. We look forward to seeing you!



We will meet on Monday, April 14 at 7:00pm at New Berlin Brewing Company. Like the Women's Bible Study, we will be studying the book of Habakkuk. The restaurant will reserve a table for us in the back where it isn't so noisy!

Join us for good food and good discussion!

THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS INDEED GUIDED US TO EXACTLY WHERE WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE!

On Sunday, February 16, 87 of our members were present for a Meet and Greet and the opportunity to meet our new Pastor candidate and hear about her background, interests, and faith journey. A Call Vote followed, and the motion was overwhelmingly passed in favor of calling Pastor Juli K. Lejman-Guy to serve as our new Pastor.

This blessing is the result of the support and faith of so many throughout the journey. Sincere thanks to. . .

- Those HTLC members who accepted the invitation to attend a roundtable discussion where they had the opportunity to provide their input on "Exploring God's Call" to help lead us to clarity and vision for the mission of HTLC as we moved forward in the Call process.
- Chairman Chuck DeGraff and the members of the Transition Team: Jeanette Cover, Ken Groves, Joanne Murray, Larry Robenstine, Laurie Soliday, Frank Towns, and Jon Woolf.
- Chairman Larry Robenstine and the members of the Call Committee: Linda Allende, Tim Cover, Chuck DeGraff, Paul Feaser II, Ken Groves, Karen Lautzenheiser, Gretchen Leckie-Ewing, and Chad Sinkovich.
- Council members: Dominic Bower, Paul Feaser II, Cindy Hower, Sarah Kebert, Karen Lautzenheiser, Joanne Murray, Ralph Reisinger, Chad Sinkovich, and Susie Thompson.
- Administrative Assistant Stacy Lake who made sure we had Supply Pastors when needed and who has been the constant, steady hand guiding the daily functions of the church.
- Interim Pastor Barbara Bartholomew who has done so much to help us remain faithful and trusting in the process. She has been a true gift to us.
- The Synod and especially Pastor Mitch Phillips who has been a guiding light and a source of constant support.
- And, to all HTLC members who have remained united and continued to support our areas of ministry, have been generous in their giving, and have faithfully offered their prayers throughout the process. You are a blessing!

"And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith."

[Matthew 21:22](#)

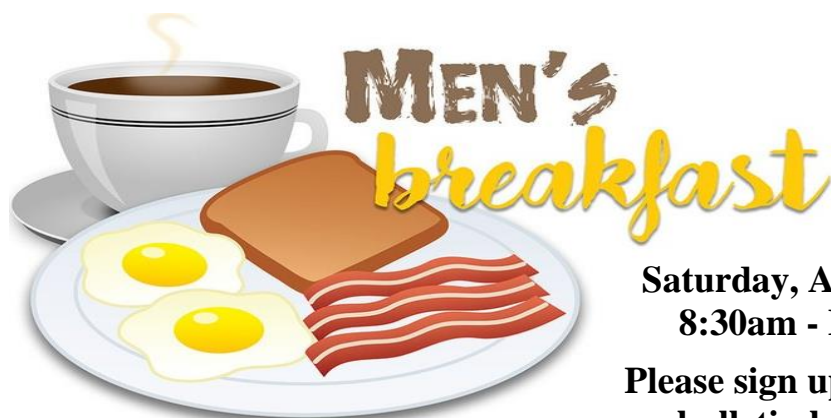


2025 Budget Update

	INCOME	EXPENSES	REMAINDER
FEBRUARY	\$21,772.34	\$27,646.42	(\$5,904.08)
YEAR TO DATE	\$48,035.04	\$51,882.82	(\$3,847.78)

***This includes a new FLC Christmas Tree and Chalice (Memorial Fund)

\$34,800 (monthly amount needed to meet 2025 expenses of \$417,600)
Thank you for your faithful support of our many ministries!



**Saturday, April 12
8:30am - FLC**

**Please sign up on the
bulletin board**

A **heartfelt thank you** to you, the faithful who are Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, for all of your support, love, and care as we navigated through this interim time.

God bless you all and bless Pastor Juli as you celebrate the new life before you. I will hold all of you in my heart and prayers. It has been a blessing, privilege and delight to serve you all as your interim pastor. Peace and grace be with you always!

Thank You!

Love,
Pastor Barbara



The HTLC annual garage sale will be Saturday, June 14 from 8:00 am-2:00 pm.

We will need youth & adult volunteers to help sort & price every day. Even if you only have a few hours to spare, please consider helping.

More details about sale items accepted, as well as drop off times, will be published closer to the sale date. If you're spring cleaning, please set aside items you don't want anymore.

If you have questions, please contact Laurie Soliday (330-284-5502) or catch her before the 10 am Sunday service.

There will be a Garage Sale meeting on Saturday, May 10 at 10:00am.

Thank You for supporting this Holy Trinity Fundraiser!

SUNDAY, APRIL 27:

Pastor Barbara's last worship service with us, so we will have **ONE SERVICE at 9 AM** in the Sanctuary, followed by a farewell reception in the Family Life Center.



SUNDAY, MAY 4:

Pastor Juli's first worship service with us, so we will have **ONE SERVICE at 9 AM** in the Sanctuary, followed by a welcome reception in the Family Life Center.

APRIL WORSHIP SERVERS

Date	Service Time	Lector	Comm. Assistant	Sound/Live Stream/Slides
April 6	8:30 AM	Robin Whitacre	Mark Himes	Sound: Ken Groves Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Kari Sparkman	Linda Ramsell	Matt Halvorson
April 13 Palm Sunday	8:30 AM	Don Carley	Larry Robenstine	Sound: Ken Groves Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Gretchen Leckie-Ewing	Joanne Murray	Chad Sinkovich
April 20 Easter Sunday	8:30 AM	Linda Allende	Carolyn Perlog	Sound: Ken Groves Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Kari Sparkman	Linda Ramsell	Laurie Soliday
April 27 ONE Service 9am	9:00 AM	Barb Turner	Paul Feaser	Sound: Ken Groves Stream: Deanna Woolf

APRIL 2025

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



1

11:00am-1:00pm
Urban Ark

6:30-8:30 p.m.
Peer Conn. Group

2

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Men's Bible Study

10:00 a.m.
Women's Bible Study

7:00 p.m.
Choir Practice

3

4:00-5:30 p.m.
Urban Ark
5:30-7:00 p.m.
Crochet/Knitting
7:00-8:30 p.m.
Boy & Cub Scouts

4

Noon
AA Meeting

5

9:30 a.m.
Explore the Bible

10:00 a.m.
Bible Study

6

8:30 W/CM
10:00 Sunday School
10:00 CPS/CM

7

6:30 p.m.
Stamping Group

8

11:00am-1:00pm
Urban Ark

6:30-8:30 p.m.
Peer Conn. Group

9

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Men's Bible Study

7:00 p.m.
Choir Practice

10

4:00-5:30 p.m.
Urban Ark

7:00-8:00 p.m.
Boy & Cub Scouts

11

Noon
AA Meeting

12

8:30 a.m.
Men's Breakfast
9:30 a.m.
Explore the Bible
10:00 a.m.
Food Box Meeting
1:00 p.m.
Eagle Scout - FLC

13

8:30 W/CM
10:00 Sunday School
10:00 CPS/CM

Palm Sunday

14

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sassy Scissors

7:00 p.m.
Bibles & Brews

15

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sassy Scissors
11:00am-1:00pm
Urban Ark
6:30 p.m. Council
Meeting
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Peer Conn. Group

16

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Men's Bible Study

7:00 p.m.
Choir Practice

17

11:00 am & 7:00 pm
Maundy Thursday
Service

4:00-5:30 p.m.
Urban Ark

18

11:00 am & 7:00 pm
Good Friday Service

Noon
AA Meeting

19

20

8:30 W/CM
10:00 Sunday School
10:00 CPS/CM

Easter Sunday

21

11:00am-1:00pm
Urban Ark

6:30-8:30 p.m.
Peer Conn. Group

22

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Men's Bible Study

7:00 p.m.
Choir Practice

24

4:00-5:30 p.m.
Urban Ark

7:00-8:00 p.m.
Boy & Cub Scouts

25

Noon
AA Meeting

26

27

9:00 W/CM

ONE Service
Reception
immediately after
worship

28

11:00am-1:00pm
Urban Ark

6:30-8:30 p.m.
Peer Conn. Group

29

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Men's Bible Study

7:00 p.m.
Choir Practice

