



September 26-27, 2020

TRINITY HIGHLIGHTS

Divine Services: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

SERVICES AVAILABLE

LISTENING EAR: Need a listening ear? Pastor Golter and Pastor Vokt are available for prayer and a Word of Scripture. Pastor Golter can be contacted at 303-618-4564. Pastor Vokt at 563-340-8690.

OFFICE HOURS: Church and school office hours will be limited because of the COVID-19 virus. Phone messages will be returned.

LIVE-STREAMS: Live-stream services, and Pastor Golter's Bible study will be saved to Trinity's Facebook page.

DOOR OFFERING

Trinity will be having a door offering this weekend – at each of its three worship services. The offering will go toward supporting our brothers and sisters in Christ at Central Lutheran School in Newhall, Iowa. The school, which is part of Iowa District East, was one of the many establishments that suffered damage during last month's derecho. Donations may be placed in the containers located in the narthex. Checks can be made out to Trinity Lutheran, with Central Newhall listed in the memo.

TRINITY VOTES TO HIRE GENERIS

After much healthy discussion and prayer, Trinity's congregation overwhelmingly voted on Sunday to proceed with the hiring of Generis Partners.

"We've heard the success stories of Generis and their different approach with giving," Pastor Golter said. "It's about tilling and fertilizing the soil of our hearts."

Generis confirms the approach: We are about generosity, not about fundraising.

Generis believes that following Jesus means learning how to follow Him in every area of our lives, including how we handle our money.

"100 percent engagement is primary," said Larry Ulrich, who is a Senior Generosity Strategist for Generis and will be guiding, educating and coaching Trinity throughout this process.

"The financial goal is secondary. The process isn't about the initiative. It's about God working in everyone's heart. That's how we are different."

It's a mindset that we aren't used to.

"We have to get the words capital campaign out of our heads," a congregational member shared during Sunday's voters' meeting. "It's about cultivating hearts."

Initial meetings with Trinity leaders and Larry Ulrich already are in place.

"It's up to God to bring the results," Pastor Golter shared. "That's what makes us uncomfortable, because we want every T crossed and I dotted. We'll see what God can do."

WELCOME

If you are visiting Trinity Lutheran for the first time, we would like to welcome you. If you desire more information about our faith family, please make note on the welcome card in the pew rack, or text Pastor Golter (303-618-4564), the Senior Pastor, or Associate Pastor Michael Vokt (563-340-8690).

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Trinity will be resuming its in-person Adult Bible studies and Sunday School on Oct. 4. Pastor Golter's study will be in the Fellowship Hall, while Pastor Vokt's study, which will begin on Oct. 11, will be in the school library. Stay tuned for more pandemic procedures as well as study details. Sunday School and Adult Bible studies will begin at 9:30 a.m.

PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH: Pastor Appreciation Month is in October. Let's shower our pastors with love and thankfulness for all their service to our congregation.

FLOWERS

The flowers this week are given in thankfulness of all the blessings given to them by God on both Tom and Young Jackson's birthdays.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELP

Looking for a way to help out this year? Sunday School is a great way to get involved. We are in need of teachers/ helpers for several of our classes. Please consider volunteering and see how rewarding it is to help our children learn about Christ. Contact Jodi Jorgensen at 563-508-3767 or Jodi.Jorgensen@trinitydavenport.org for information.

TRINITY ON YOU TUBE

Trinity Lutheran is on You Tube. You can subscribe to Trinity's You Tube channel, where you can check out videos and children's chapel services.

ELDERS ADD TO MINISTRY TEAM

The Elders Ministry Team welcomes Mark Jorgenson and Matt Schmitzer. Mark Muench moved recently to be closer to his family in Des Moines. Along with the Ushers, Communion Assistants, Altar Guild, Choir, Musicians, and Media teams, we look forward to ensuring our worship life continues to bring Glory to God and the Sacraments to the members of Trinity Church School.

PORTALS OF PRAYER

The new Portals of Prayer devotion books are available.

ISSUES ETC.

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, Ill., and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's subjects include: Christian Survivors of Soviet Persecution; The Demolition of the Western Mind; Media Coverage of Religion; The Theological Foundation & Practice of Lutheran Day Schools; and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

Trinity Lutheran has resumed its Midweek High School Youth Gatherings. The group meets on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at the school. If you would like more information about Trinity's High School Youth gatherings, please contact Kari Smith at kari.smith@trinitydavenport.org.

ONLINE GIVING OPPORTUNITY

Did you know that Trinity Lutheran has a safe and secure way to give online? While in camera mode, just scan your electronic device over the QR code, and it will take you directly to Trinity's online giving page.



FINANCIAL PLANNING OPPORTUNITY

Do you have a plan in place for your God-given assets once you are called home to heaven? The LCMS Foundation has gift planning counselors to offer assistance – at no charge. Scott Radden, who is an LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor, has been working with Trinity's Transfer the Blessings Team as well as congregational members for the past year. If you are interested in beginning a plan to assure that your charitable gifts will support the ministries you care about most, you can contact Scott Radden at scott.radden@lfnf.org or (618) 977-4049 to schedule an appointment. We hope that you can take advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

PRAYER TEAM UPDATE

I urge, then, first of all that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is GOOD and PLEASES God, our Savior. -

Timothy 2:1-3

This urgency from Paul to Timothy prompts your prayer team to make available to you the Election Booklet. This is filled with Scripture Prayers for you to use before the election. Please feel free to pick up a booklet at the table in the narthex where the masks have been. Also, take one to share with your family or a friend. Trinity Prayer Team. Lois Riese 355-6097

BLESSING FOR LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

This year, \$72,700 in tuition assistance was awarded to Trinity Lutheran School students through the Iowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization. Over \$467,000 was awarded to Lutheran students in Iowa. Funding for STO is currently at 15% of our 2020 goal. The benefits you receive from donating are two-fold: You get to see more children experiencing the love of God every day, and you will receive a 65% tax credit on your Iowa state income taxes and a charitable deduction on your Federal return. For further information, please contact Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991. You can also download a donor form at www.iowalutheransto.org.

Listen ... Listen, Jesus is Calling ..
Calling YOU to SERVE.

GENEROSITY



Matthew 21:26 – “But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd ...” Foolish Pharisees! They fear men more than they fear God, and so they miss out on the great blessing of knowing Jesus. Our sins are like this: we fear something more than we fear God. And how foolish that is! Just think of the blessings we miss out on when we place our fear or trust in something other than God.