

Trinity Tidings

Trinity Lutheran Church and School 3000 35th Avenue Greeley, Colorado 80634

April 2025





~ Thursday, April 3rd ~ (a) 1:00 pm

Mite Devotions

Program: Skit

Hostesses: Sharon Andrews

Mission Project: LWML Mites

MITE SUNDAY, April 6th

The first Sunday of each month the Mite box will be available for you to bring your Mites. (Suggestion: put your coins in a zip lock bag - keep your mite box).

A big THANK YOU to all who given 'mites' on Mite Sunday. Our MITES added to those around the District will help meet our goal so the last grant will be paid. Again Thanks!

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER –Thursday, May 1st. Watch for updates regarding the time for this annual prayer service.

EASTER LOVE OFFERING

It's Easter Love time. Please prayerfully consider a gift of "Love" It is at this time that we are reminded just how much we are loved by our Heavenly Father. Loved so much, that He sent His One and Only Son, Jesus Christ to pay the price for our sins by laying down His life on the cross. He became the ultimate sacrifice, His blood the atonement for our sins.

Each year, these envelopes are collected by the LWML ladies who choose a project within Trinity to direct these offerings towards. This year the money will go to renewing the flooring in the narthex area of the church.

Please prayerfully consider placing a donation in your Easter Love Offering envelope and place your envelope and in the offering plate on Sunday morning, anytime between now and Easter Sunday.



Greetings in the name of Christ!

Little green shoots are beginning to push their way up through the brown earth in my flowerbeds. The bulbs I planted last fall are waking up. All winter, the ground looked empty and dead. But now, as the light and warmth of the sun grow stronger, life emerges. Soon, dry dirt and faded grass will give way to color and beauty—spring is coming.

This is the way God works. In the midst of death, he brings life. In the midst of sorrow, he brings hope. He makes all things new.

After a few more weeks of Lent, we will celebrate Easter, rejoicing that Jesus has risen from the dead. His tomb is empty. The stone is rolled away. Life has triumphed over death.

The pattern of death and life that we see in Jesus—the pattern that my flowerbeds display for me, pointing me to Christ (all creation declares the glory of God!)—this pattern also plays out in our hearts. We carry burdens and weariness. We feel the weight of sin and the ache of a world that is broken. And in the midst of our dry and faded hearts Christ give new life. As St. Paul says, "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come" (2 Corinthians 5:17). His forgiveness is new every morning. His mercy never runs out. He comes to you in His Word and His Sacraments to raise you up with Him, to strengthen your faith, and to fill you with hope.

And what is true for each of us as individuals is also true for us together as God's people. Just as God brings new life in spring and raised His Son from the grave, He also works life and renewal in His Church. Throughout Trinity's long history, we have known seasons of growth and seasons of challenge — and in all of them, God has been faithful.

As we look ahead, I pray that God would continually stir up in us joy, faith, and love for one another. I am filled with hope for what He has in store for Trinity Lutheran Church and School—not because we know all the answers, but because Christ is risen.

May God grant us strength to face challenges, hope to endure, and joy in following Jesus wherever He leads.

Peace and joy in Christ, Pastor Joshua Vanderhyde

School Happenings



Trinity Family,

While we have 2 more months in this school year, a lot of our focus is on planning for the upcoming year. At the April Voters' Meeting, we will be talking about our plans for an administrator and next year's staffing plan. A subcommittee of the Board of Education is working on choosing a new reading curriculum. We are looking at programs that add more enrichment beyond our weekly "specials" classes for our students next school year. In light of the most recent court cases involving UPK (Universal PreK), the rulings are supporting faith-based organizations; 2025-26 may be the year we join this program. UPK is a Statefunded program that offers tuition support for families in the year before their child is eligible for kindergarten.

But there are also big things on the horizon yet this school year. On April 3, a representative from Singapore Math will be at Trinity to familiarize parents with the program. Trinity began implementing this math curriculum this school year and it is very different from how most of us learned math in elementary school. I'm putting together a group to provide childcare for children age 2 and older from 6:30-8:00 so parents are freed up from supervising their children to participate. We have State Title funds that will provide the refreshments. While the event is geared for parents, congregation members may also attend to find out more about this curriculum.

Our spring event is a Talent Show scheduled for Friday, May 2, at 6:00 p.m. in the school gym. If you would like to perform at the event, an application will be available in the office after March 24th. Each of the school classes will perform, plus we are hoping many individual students or families will provide an act. There will be a silent auction as part of the evening with items created by the classes and at least one item from the quilters. You can also shop at a bake sale or purchase the famous Texas Roadhouse peanuts (that come with a restaurant coupon). If you would like to contribute to the bake sale, you can speak with me or fill out a form in the office. Pies were a big hit at last year's bake sale and I know we have some great bakers in the congregation. We will also have cookies and breads. I might even make a few more pans of cinnamon rolls . . .

Thank you, Trinity congregation members, for all you continue to do to support Trinity Lutheran School. It goes beyond the dollars - so many of you give of your time and talent. Your prayers and words of encouragement to our staff and students are also precious. I'm typing this article as we finish our National Lutheran Schools Week celebration. While there was a lot of fun, my highlight was the time the school spent together in worship at morning devotions and chapel. I see the firm foundation being built in these young lives and I'm honored to be part of this school and the work we do.

Gwen Marshall,

ECE Director



Explore a week of adventure at Trinity's Vacation Bible School: "True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World". From June 9-13, 9 am to 12 pm, kids are invited to join us for a great adventure filled with games, songs, and the discovery of God's love. VBS is not just about fun; it's an opportunity for children to build lasting friendships and learn about the incredible love of God.

To make this experience unforgettable, we need your support! Join us as a Crew Leader, Games Leader, Bible Adventures Leader, Snacks Helper, or in various other roles. Your involvement, donations, and prayers will help create a

memorable and impactful week for kids in our community. Check out the positions we have available and sign up for a role that suits you best. Our training session will ensure you're well prepared for the adventure ahead.

Visit <u>vbspro.events/p/trinityvbs25</u> or scan the QR code for more details and to sign up as a volunteer or register your child.

Keep an eye out for upcoming donation requests as we gear up for an exciting VBS! For any questions or further information, feel free to reach out to Tori Foster through the website above. Thank you for being a vital part of this year's Vacation Bible School journey!





APRIL'S COOK'S NIGHT OUT

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 4 PM-8 PM 4626 CENTERPLACE DR GREELEY, CO 80634



Come join us at Qdoba for fun fellowship and good food!

*Scrip cards are NOT available for this one.

BRING THE **APRIL** SHOWERS

through

NON-PERISHABLE DONATIONS

for the

WELD FOOD BANK

CANNED VEGETABLES CANNED FRUIT SOUPS
BOXED POTATOES CANNED HAMS PASTA
CANNED MEATS TUNA RICE
FRUIT ROLLUPS FLOUR SUGAR

GIFT CARDS (Please give directly to Barb Perusek)

Drop off your donations at the school Mon—Friday 8 am –4 pm or the church on Sunday mornings.

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL

OF **1250**#

FOR 2025

CURRENTLY YOU HAVE DONATED 725#





Remembering Our Homebound Members

The following members of our church are currently either living at home or in a care facility and have limited capability of joining their church family at worship.

*Richard Beitz-Home

*Ellen Colegrove- Grace Point

*Elaine Daubert-Home

*Melanie Davis - Home

*Teresa Detterer-Home

*William Heldt-Meadowview

*Rachel Einspahr- Grace Point

*Verne Einspahr -Grace Point

*Mary Henneck-Home

*Ruth McGhghy - Life Care

*Mark McKinley -Home

*Ron Otto- Grace Point

*Karen Rutt-Greeley Village

*Dave Schoneck –Home

*Esther Specht-Home

*Lorene Steele –Home

*Don & Dixie Wacker -Home

*Earl Weiss -Grace Point

Please keep them in your prayers and consider calling or sending cards or letters to let them know you are thinking of them. If you need an address or phone number, call the church office or pick up a directory at the church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

It is a blessing to share, learn, and teach the Bible to the children of our congregation. Currently, we have three classroom settings for the children: preschool to second grade, grades 3 to 5, and middle and high school. We are thankful for the dedication of the aides, teachers, and substitutes who have willingly stepped up to make a difference.



Our children and staff need your help. Please consider becoming part of our team during the Sunday School hour. Whether it's as a teacher or an aide you can really make a difference.

Additionally, we need teachers and aides for this summer. Please consider volunteering for 2-3 Sundays over the summer, so that we can meet our teaching needs. If you have questions, please ask Lance or Londa Polzin for more details.

Holy Week and Easter Services



Palm Sunday

8 am & 10:30 am

Maundy Thursday

10 am & 6 pm

Good Friday

10 am & 6 pm

Easter Sunday

6 am-Sunrise 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Buy Scrip Cards!!

Spring has arrived!! Think about buying scrip cards for all your lawn and gardening needs. Easter is only a few weeks away, pick up cards to fill your Easter baskets and shop for all your fixings for Easter dinner.



If you need larger denominations, we can order those for you.

from the Editor: Note I am blessed that God is a patient God. He teaches and guides me every day. He reminds me when I forget that His true nature is one of unconditional love, boundless grace and mercy. Last year, my grand daughter had a serious health issue and needed a miracle. Without hesitation I knew that God was big enough and powerful enough to heal her, and He did. I am full of gratitude, Praise the Lord. Why is it then, when smaller issues come along, I don't always talk to God about it and think that I can handle it myself? Or, sometimes I have a very strong opinion about an issue and think that surely God sees that I am right and His plans will be in sync with mine. Ridiculous, right? The answer is I am a wretched and miserable sinner and that is why I need God's grace, mercy and unconditional love. He tells me that His plans are for my welfare, not for evil, to give me a future and a hope. I profess and believe that my trust is in the Lord, so why do I to sometimes get in God's way? Do I think He missed something or that I know more than Him? No, the answer is the same, I am a sinner. God already knows how His plan will turn out. May you know the true nature of our Lord. May you trust in Him. "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding." Proverbs 3:5



2-Robert Bliss
4-Mary Henneck
4 –Nancy Pfeif
4 - McKenzie Powell
6-Adam Schmidt
6 –Arlene Weizenegger
9 –Jemma Schwartz
10 –Lela Martin
10 - Robert Thorgesen
10 –Cristian Wacker
11 –Lucy Wojurfin
15 –Randy Kline
17 –Lucas Foster
18 –Austyn Smock

21-Carole Hoover
22-Judy Nero
23 -Pamela Clavir
26 -Avelina Martin
26 -Elmer Reiter
27 -Brandon Brech
27-Zachary Ewald
28 -Norman Boxum
28 -Arnold Burron
28-Brandi Soto
28 - Zeke Wojurfin
29 -Daniel Einspahr
30 -Beverly Darco
30-Ken Meritt



Greg & Janet Best –45 yrs.

Dustin & Samantha Brown –17 yrs.

Nathan & Trisha McKinney –24 yrs.

Arlene & Jerold Weizenegger –50 yrs.

(If we missed your special day, please let the office know.)



~Schedule~

Please sign up to bring flowers. The chart is on the wall by door to the old church office or call the church office, 970-330-2485.

April 6

Lent -No Flowers

April 13

Palm Sunday-No Flowers

April 20

Easter Sunday

April 27

Available

2025 Calendar is waiting for you to pick a date!

~ATTENDANCE~

February 9	Early-83	Late-39
February 16	Early-48	Late-46
February 23	Early-75	Late-45
March 2	Early-95	Late-41
March 9	Early-112	Late-41
March 16	Early-100	Late-47
March 23	Early-110	Late-47



Knox Van Nostrand

(Son of Justin & Briana Van Nostrand) Born 9-15-2024 Baptized 3-16-2025



Sunday Mornings

8:00 am - Worship Service

10:30 am - Worship Service

Holy Communion 2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays

Go to: tlgreeley.org to Live-stream the 8 am service.

Ministry Assistants—April Schedule

April 6

Elders – 8:00 am Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

Sound –8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video –8:00 am Mary Beitz; 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Organist – Debra Schwartz

Security -8:00 am Doug Sterner; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

April 13*

Elders - 8:00 am Larry Whitney; 10:30 am Ken Clavir

Sound – 8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Jeff Junker

Video – 8:00 am Angela Riemer; 10:30 am Angela Riemer

Organist – Debra Schwartz

Security -8:00 am Doug Sterner; 10:30 am James Roohr

April 20*

Elders – 6:00 am Gary Klipp; 8:30 am Bob Thorgesen; 10:30 am Les Durdy

Sound –6:00 am Dan Swanson; 8:30 am Jeff Junker; 10:30 am Jeff Junker

Video –6:00 am Teri Swanson; 8:30 Mary Beitz; 10:30 am Jeff Junker

Organist -Ken Streeb

Security -6:00 am Cheri Carsten; 8:30 am Lance Polzin; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

April 27*

Elders -8:00 am Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Mark Eggers

Sound –8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video –8:00 am Terri Swanson; 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Organist– Ken Streeb

Security –8:00 am James Roohr; 10:30 am Lance Polzin

*Communion

Ministry assistants are always needed in each of the above areas. If you are interested in serving, please call the following people.

Elders or Ushers - Ken Clavir, 970-352-4608 Sound/Video - Dan Swanson, 970-351-8815

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Worship Services

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am Adult Bible Classes Sunday School - 9:20 am

that is. First, unscramble the words. Next, transfer the circled The scrambled words and phrases below are all found in the Bible. They all have something in common. Find what What do all these words have in common? letters in order to the lines at the bottom of the page nigLt fo hte dorWI ilLy fo teh elaVly rncPie fo cePae abLm fo dGo rdBea fo eiLf Teh doWr ehSprhed eiVn __ estMar okRc 11) ishCrt eduss doLr. 12) 13) 2 2 4 (5 (6) (7) (8)

Names of God's Son

Answers: Vine; Lily of the Valley; Lamb of God; Master; Jesus; Rock; Bread of Life; Light of the World; Savior; Lord; Christ; Shepherd; The Word; Prince of Peace.