



**SERVICE
TIMES**

SATURDAY 6:00 P.M. / SUNDAY: 8:00 & 10:45 A.M.
LIVESTREAM AVAILABLE 8 A.M. AT TRINITYPEORIA.COM

MESSAGE BOARD

February 7-8, 2026

trinitypeoria.com

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTS

SAINT VALENTINE MUSIC FESTIVAL

Join us for this for this look at hope, trust and love through hymns, choral pieces and contemporary instrumentation.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15/ 9:30 A.M. IN THE SANCTUARY

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION THIS WEEK

There will be NO Christian Education Hour NEXT SUNDAY so that people may attend the Saint Valentine Music Festival at 9:30 a.m.

- **Adult Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. Sunday in the Walther Room. Led by Pastor Nelson, concentrating on Psalms 1-50 using the Concordia Commentary by Timothy E. Saleska. All are welcome.
- **High School Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. Sunday in the SH Room. Led by DCE Scott Rauch and Trista Crady.
- **Women's Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m. in the Berean Room. Led by Cori Wong and focused on the book "Everyday Joys" by Tama Fortner.
- **Jubilation At Church:** This Sunday will feature Opening Fun Song and Prayer, and then Singing Rehearsal. February Jubilation Packets can be found in the foyer. Contact DCE Scott Rauch if you would like to receive a Jubilation at Home packet for your family.
- **Wednesday Bible Study:** "Cross and Crown - Paul's letters to the Corinthian Church" - 7:30-8:30 a.m. on Google Meet (find the link on the Trinity website calendar). DCE Scott Rauch will lead the group through 1st & 2nd Corinthians from the perspective of the foolish wisdom of Christ's cross into the crown of His victorious resurrection. Come and join in for a good start to a Wednesday morning.

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IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

Those Serving In The Armed Forces

Aslan Fountain (grandson of Ralph Reichert)

Jeremy Thrane (grandson of Phyllis Basquin)

Tyler Peifer (grandson-in-law to Kathy Knapp)

Madison Raistrick (granddaughter of Donna Winkler) ~ Cameron Engquist

Trinity Shut-Ins

Marlene Cook ~ Max Wessler Carol Hinton

Alice Clark ~Annette Smith ~ Flo Burns

Dinah Turner ~ Emma Ott ~ Barbara Cullen

Phyllis Basquin ~ Don & Pat Hagar

Ruth Anderson ~ Elva Head

February Anniversaries

55 Years

Ed and Sharon Thoma (13)

40 Years

Mark and Deborah Morrow (7)

KEEP US UPDATED

If you have a new address, email address or telephone number, please notify the church office, either by phone (309-676-4609) or email: tlc@trinitypeoria.com.

FEBRUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH

TRINITY FAITHFUL FRIENDS

Trinity serves youth and adults who have special needs through Bible study and fellowship, offering support and care in a family-oriented manner. Cindy Archer provides leadership with the team of adults who serve in the Emmaus Room with our faithful friends.

If you wish to financially contribute to a "Mission of the Month," please indicate which mission on the front of the envelope or check memo line.

TRINITY FOOD PANTRY

If you wish to donate to the Trinity Food Pantry, contact Diana Martino or Scott Rauch with questions. For March, which must be at Trinity by March 8, they are asking for chicken noodle or tomato soup (10.5 oz. cans are best) and dish soap. In January, the Trinity Food Pantry served 17 people.

The food pantry has an ongoing need for the following items: Ramen Noodles, Soup, Canned Fruit, Canned Vegetables, Boxed Macaroni & Cheese

ANNUAL STATEMENTS READY

Trinity emailed contribution statements to all parishioners with emails on file. Printed statements have also been distributed to mailboxes at church.

Coming Up February 14-15

Quinquagesima

Readings: 1 Sam. 16:1-13/1 Cor. 13:1-13/Luke 18:31-43

Hymns: LSB 573, 841, 849

Preacher: Pastor Matthew B. Synnott



THIS LENT AT TRINITY

“For us” is not simply a pithy line to use because it is easy to repeat. It is a confession of who God is and what He brings in giving us His Son. It helps us understand *why* God would send His Son to die for us.

The phrase “for us” also captures much of the Reformation’s theological emphasis—and Luther’s understanding of Scripture in particular. Luther went from searching for a righteous God and finding only stern rebuke to seeing God in the form of a little baby and as the one who became one of us *for us* so that we might become like Him.

Join us for Lenten services each Wednesday as our Pastors explore what this means for us each day. ASH WEDNESDAY: NOON AND 6:45 P.M. FEB. 18/LENTEN DINNER AT 5:30 P.M.

WEEKLY TRINITY PRAYER SHEET

Submitting Prayer Requests:

Call, text or email Pastor Nelson (309) 453-7231; pastornelson@trinitypeoria.com

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE TRINITY MESSAGE BOARD BY EMAIL

If you or someone you know would like to receive the new Message Board by email, just contact Kerri in the church office 309-676-4609 or email tlc@trinitypeoria.com.

We can get the names added to the list.

You can also call the office to receive a paper copy of the Message Board if you do not have digital access.



Music Program Trivia Night
February 6th
 Doors open at 6:30
 Game Starts at 7:00
 Redeemer Lutheran Church

TRIVIA NIGHT!
 2026 Theme: University Night
 Wear your favorite college colors!



**CLS Trivia Night
 Team Registration**

Concordia Lutheran School
 SECTION & GALA

STEP RIGHT UP!

MARCH 14 2026

GET YOUR TICKET TODAY

All church members are invited to join for a night of fun!!

WWW.CONCORDIAPEORIA.COM

It's open house season!

February 11th, 9 – 11 a.m.
 February 25th, 9 – 11 a.m

INVITE your friends

DISCOVERY DAYS

Special Discovery Day:
 PACK THE DEN Day, **Saturday, January 31st**, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
 Pack The Den is an annual tradition; a day of basketball at Concordia.
 Enjoy a guided tour and stay to experience our community in action too!

PLAYTIME PALS AT CONCORDIA

DETAILS

9 a.m. - 11 a.m. on these dates:
 February 6th & 20th
 March 6th

FREE

Park on the west side of the building & follow the signs.

Beat the chilly weather with some play time for Kinder age and under in a clean, safe environment!

TRINITY MEMBERS ON CONCORDIA LUTHERAN SCHOOL STAFF

Eric Hipple, Fine Arts Director / David Askew, teacher/ Marriah Pummill, teacher
 Destiny King, teacher's aide / Mary Farley, teacher's aide
 Pam McClure, Food Service Coordinator / Jenny Carmean, Food Service

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CLS ENROLLMENT SUPPORT

If you will be enrolling children at Concordia for the 2026-2027 school year, please complete our Trinity-CLS tuition support form by Feb. 28, 2026. You can find the link to the form at trinitypeoria.com under the FORMS tab, or use the link: <https://trinitypeoria.com/concordia-tuition-support>.

LENTEN DINNER COOK TEAMS

Congregational Life is looking for six Lenten Dinner Cook Teams to host meals in the Trinity gym before our midweek services. Our first dinner is on Wednesday, February. 18, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Dates still open include: Feb. 18, 25, Mar. 4, 11, 18, & 25. Contact Pastor Matt or Corrie Broberg if you are interested!

LENTEN DINNER TREAT DONATIONS

Calling all bakers and treat makers! For our midweek Lenten dinners, we are in need of treats and goodies for our dinners. If you have time, would you please consider a donation of treats for the evening Lenten dinners? Thank you so much!

2025 TRINITY BUDGET RECAP

We give glory to God that our congregation generously responded with offerings for the month of December, which exceeded our estimated amount needed to meet 2025 expenses. After a review by our accountant, our 2025 Net Operating Income ended with a surplus of \$60,290.

We ask you to pray with us:

Gracious Father in Heaven, we thank You for the generosity You provided throughout our 2025 budget year in support of the ministry of Word and Sacrament at Trinity. We ask for Your blessing upon us spiritually, relationally, physically, intellectually, and financially in 2026, that through our Lord Jesus Christ we may continue to abound in every good work. In His name. Amen.

LWML NEWS AND MITE INFORMATION

All Glory to God that our first two mite grants totaling \$40,000 have been paid. We are close to paying the third grant in the amount of \$25,000. Our next collection dates are Sunday, Feb. 8 and Saturday, Feb. 14.

Our featured mite grant for February: **2026 LWML CID Mission Grant #5 - Just for Moms - \$3,544.**

Almost 4 out of 10 women who receive services from Pregnancy Resources in Moline, IL have no faith background or are of non-Christian faith. Along with this, of professing Christian clients, 48 are at risk for abortion. Pregnancy Resources "Just for Moms" bags help provide a new mom with a holistic wellness approach that considers a person's physical, mental, emotional, social, and spiritual aspects. Each bag offers a Lutherans for Life devotion for mothers, a journal to track emotional needs, post-natal vitamins, and more help to prepare her for the birth and delivery of her baby.

TRINITY WOMEN IN MISSION BIBLE STUDY

The Trinity Women in Mission Bible Study will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 12, in the Walther Room. DCE Scott Rauch will be leading the study on Saint Valentine, as well as identifying/working through loving relationships in the Bible. All women of Trinity are welcomed to attend.

CALLING ALL SINGERS FOR EASTER CHOIR

Easter Choir rehearsals will begin AT 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, February 19 in the music room, with a meal beforehand in the Walther Room at 5:30 p.m. The Easter Choir season will include seven weekly rehearsals along with five opportunities to serve in worship. For more information, please contact Cantor Peter at peterwvkert@trinitypeoria.com or call/text (708) 837-0296.

SH REFUGE STROVE SUNDAY PARTY

We'll meet at the Hipplés' home (1859 W. Teton Dr., Peoria - near Richwoods HS) on Sunday, February 8, 5:30-8:00 p.m. and have a celebration a week and a half before we quiet down for another Lenten season. Come and bring a friend for breakfast for dinner including pancakes and then our usual time of games and devotion. It's good to both celebrate and rest quietly in our Christian rhythm of life. Take advantage of the opportunity!

ALL-YOUTH (6TH-12TH) CRAZY WINTER OLYMPICS

On Sunday, February 22, 6:00-8:00 p.m., in Trinity's Olympic Gym, come play some of the craziest team Winter Olympic sports you can imagine. We only do this once every four years so you and your friends will not want to miss out. There will be a dinner as well and some fun prizes plus a great devotion time. No need to sign up - just plan to show up!

CAMP CILCA 2026

Camp CILCA invites you to check out their 2026 programming for all ages, especially their summer kids camps. There are flyers in Trinity's foyer or you can go to cilca.org for more information and registration. Camp CILCA is the official camp of the Central Illinois District and is located in Cantrall, IL just north of Springfield.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AT CONCORDIA

There will be a blood drive at The Commons at CLS from 2:30-6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 2. To schedule an appointment, contact the school at 309-691-8921 or sign up with a student. You can also visit www.redcrossblood.org (enter sponsor code:CONCORDIA) or use the QR code at right. To save 15 minutes when donating, use the RapidPass by visiting redcrossblood.org/rapidPass.



TRINITY CONFIDENTIAL PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

Trinity members are welcome to join our confidential prayer fellowship. In addition to the public prayer requests that we pray together weekly as a congregation, our prayer fellowship faithfully prays under an oath of confidentiality for non-public prayer requests submitted to our fellowship. Prayers usually are disseminated via email. These members also pray as we receive urgent prayers. To contact us, please use:

- nancy.hasz@icloud.com or 621-3350 for Nancy
- dteichmann13@gmail.com or 691-7161 for Dee

If you reach voicemail, please say you are calling with a request for the prayer group and leave your name and phone number so that we can easily return the call. Use Trinity's website, trinitypeoria.com, to request prayer.

SLOTS AVAILABLE ON 2026 ALTAR FLOWER CHART

There are still openings available to sign up to provide altar flowers for 2026, especially early in the year. When you sign up, we ask that you fill out an Altar Flower Form and give information on how to best contact you for a reminder when the time comes. These forms are located by the flower chart and are to be filled out and turned in to the folder next to the chart. Please contact Peter Wykert (708-837-0296) if you have any questions.

SERVING OPPORTUNITY AT FRANKLIN PRIMARY

Trinity has been blessed by the Holy Spirit to be able to provide ongoing serving moments with the families who have children at Franklin Primary School. We provide weekly snack packs, annual staff Christmas gifts, we have some who have done tutoring reading moments, some have provided the students with a small Christmas gift, we've had families take part in our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Summer Kids Camp, and we have a connection through which Bradley students provide a monthly sewing group. Thank you for being part of this opportunity to serve with the grace and love of Jesus. We've been invited to provide assistance with just a few people once per month (see the dates/times below) to simply stuff popcorn into bags as part of a school fundraiser the children are involved with. The school's plan is to gather orders the last week of each month and then have the popcorn made on Thursday of that week to send home on Friday. Each week will need 2-3 helpers along with DCE Scott Rauch from 9:00 -11:00 a.m. We'll meet at Trinity around 8:55 a.m., then travel to the school to do the work. Upcoming dates include: February 26/March 19 (before Spring Break) and April 30. If you wish to help out in some way, please let Scott know. If that time period doesn't work, we are able to have workers up until 4:00 p.m. on these days. No background check is required as we will not be directly working with children. Thanks for your consideration.

MIDWEST FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Trinity Lutheran's volunteer dates are: February 26; April 9; May 28; June 25; July 23; September 24; October 8; November 19. All service times are 9:00-11:00 a.m. and all dates are Thursdays.

Registration link for all dates: <https://x.gldn.io/e/6eqww2Wdk0b>

Food Bank Volunteering FAQ

- **Are there any dress requirements?** All volunteers must wear closed-toed, closed-heeled shoes such as tennis shoes/sneakers. For your safety, crocs, slides or sandals are not allowed to be worn in the warehouse.
- **Do we need to bring any personal safety equipment?** No. For those volunteering during the day, we provide hi-vis vests to our volunteers to wear while in the warehouse. Any gloves, hairnets, or other food safety equipment will also be provided for all bulk repackaging projects.
- **What will we be doing?** Most groups will repackage bulk food/products into family-sized bags. These family-sized bags will be distributed within the next two months to our partner agencies. We partner with 350 agencies. Depending on the need, you could be packaging our product called Tender Mercies.
- **How many can volunteer within one group at a time?** For service projects, we can accommodate up to 25 volunteers at a time within our project area.
- **What is the address of where we will be volunteering?** Midwest Food Bank, Peoria is located at [9005 N Industrial Rd, Peoria IL 61615](#)
- **Where do we park and enter?** You can park anywhere in our lot. Our volunteer entrance is in the corner where the two buildings intersect to form a "L" shape. Once inside, you'll check in at the kiosk by finding your name or you can scan your group's QR code that will be on the TV by the Midwest Food Bank fabric backdrop.
- **Who do I contact if I have any questions?** Please call Ileen Grebner, our Volunteer Coordinator. She can be reached at 309-691-5270, ext. 1 or igrebner@midwestfoodbank.org