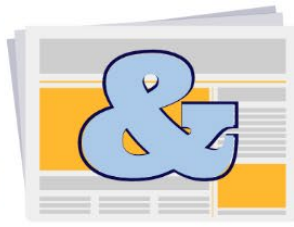




WEEKLY NEWS



NOTES

APRIL 5, 2026

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✚ WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Homebound:

Anne Cook, Greg Schroeder, Lynn Stuhlman, Gwen Gerity

Military:

Eric Bauer, John Becker, Evan Brenner, Julie Cluver, Jonathan Couture, Cole Going, Grant Going, Reece Going, Aaron Green, Justin Grell, Jesse Harrison, Cody Kollmeyer, Kori Lehenbauer, Kendrick Logan, Eli Nadler, Cameron Sanford, Josh Suthoff, Colby Thomas, Tyler Thomas

Call the church office or email keithdenisez@gmail.com

✚ ATTENDANCE

Last Weekend

6:00 PM:	102	8:00 AM:	186
10:30 AM:	165	Total:	453

Please be sure to fill out the attendance pad.

✚ OFFERING

GENERAL OFFERING – Jan-Jun 2026

Fiscal Year 2026 Give online at trinityjc.org/give-now

	Last Week	FY Total
Actual	\$17,514.67	\$287,578.22

✚ FLOWERS & BULLETINS

If you would like to sponsor bulletins (suggested donation is \$50) or provide altar flowers for a weekend, sign up on the board in the hallway.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026

✚ SERVANT SCHEDULE

	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
6:00 PM	Deacon Jay Wunderlich Jason Lale Scott Homfeldt	Kyle Gretlein Ty Morris Ryan Dubberke
	Usher Team Tom Procter	Nate Roettgen
	Acolyte Emerson Powell Kennedy Murphy	Jake Angerer Heidi Moehlman
8:00 AM	Deacon Ryan Brunner Jared Kesel Ross Walquist	Ross Walquist Mike Doggett
	Usher Team Stephen Johnson	Michael Johnson
	Acolytes Sarah Kesel Henry Voss	Emma Jones Eliza Goetz
10:30 AM	Deacon Joe Kollmeyer Matt Fife Tom Procter	Matt Fife
	Usher Team David Knernschild	Kevin Bateman
	Acolytes Serenity Johnson	Ryan Boos Serenity Johnson





MIDWEST MARCH FOR LIFE



*Save
the Date*

April 30, 2026

**Missouri State Capitol
Jefferson City, MO**

Featured Speakers:

Reagan Barklage

National Field Director
Students for Life of America

Linda Friere

Senior Regional
Programs Manager
Sidewalk Advocates for Life

Mayra Rodriguez

Pro-Life Advocate,
Speaker, and Whistleblower
against abortion giant
Planned Parenthood

To see typical schedule from last year, get more information, and register, visit us at
midwestmarchforlife.com

**We love to honor young people as they
promote the sanctity of life!**

**Tell us what your school or homeschool group
has been doing and apply to be the ProLife
School of Year!**

**School bands welcome to register to perform in
March**



TREASURER'S CORNER

When we face budget constraints there are generally two categories where we can carve out the significant dollars we need to balance the books, building maintenance or payroll. Over time this approach has resulted in eroding staff compensation. Our current salary for a pastor fresh out of seminary is \$56,371. The average compensation across the LCMS is \$68,711 according to the Concordia Plan Services (CPS) compensation tool. The 2026-2027 Salary Guidelines from Missouri District recommend a base of \$74,717. Whichever number you choose for comparison, we are well below average in pastor compensation. For teachers, we currently pay \$37,499 for a recent grad with no experience. The salary tool shows an average pay of \$46,772. If we compare it to the Jefferson City Public Schools, their beginning salary is \$43,300. Regardless of what comparison we use, teacher salaries here are also well below average.

For some perspective, the Missouri Economic Research and Information Center estimates the average income for a worker in Cole County was \$55,433 in 2024.

In Paul's first letter to Timothy in chapter 5:17-18 he provides guidance on supporting workers: & quote; The elders, who direct the affairs of the church, are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching. For Scripture says, "Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain", and "The worker deserves his wages."

Last week's "did you know" Thrivent Choice Dollars and Thrivent Action Team grants are a great way to support Trinity. Over the last year, we have received over \$8,100 in Thrivent Choice Dollars. We don't have a good way to track Thrivent Action Team Grants that benefit Trinity related projects, but conservative estimates suggest that amount was over \$10,000 last year. You can find more information about Thrivent Choice and Action Teams at:

<https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-choice>

<https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-action-teams>

Did you know there's a tax-efficient way to support our church even though you don't itemize deductions on your return? If you are 70 ½ years old or older, you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your traditional IRA.

A QCD allows you to:

- Pay directly from your IRA to Trinity up to \$111,000.00 per individual annually.
- Satisfy your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) if you're 73 or older.
- Pay no income tax on the withdrawal.

Consult your financial advisor or tax specialist to see if this makes sense for you!

Our goal to fully fund our ministries for the next six months is \$28,000 in donations **EACH WEEK**. Our average donations to date, \$22,039 per week. So where are we financially? For January and February combined, expenses exceeded income by \$48,611. Thank you for prayerfully considering if you can help us conquer this deficit.



Trinity Lutheran School News – SPRINGBREAK

IMPORTANT DATES

03/30 - 04/06 Spring/Easter Break
04/08 - 4th Field Trip to Missouri Archives
04/08 - PTL Meeting | School Cafeteria | 6:30 PM
04/09 - 5th Grade Field Trip to Bridal Cave
04/14 - 8th Grade Formal Pictures
04/16 - MRRL Storytelling 2:00-3:00 PM
04/17 - 6th Grade DARE Field Trip
04/17 - 4th Quarter Mid Term

WEDNESDAY CHAPEL

We invite you to join us for chapel each Wednesday at 8:15. You can also join us online at <https://www.youtube.com/@trinitylutheranchurchschool1036>.

Our 4th Quarter chapel offering will be going to support the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces. The Ministry to the Armed Forces is authorized as the mission arm of the LCMS to support and serve military chaplains — active and reserve — their families and the veteran population. It supports all LCMS chaplains who serve on active duty, in the reserves, the National Guard, Civil Air Patrol, and Coast Guard Auxiliary. LCMS chaplains deliver Word and Sacrament ministry to our military personnel and their families.

For the 4th Quarter we have collected \$215.93. May the Lord bless our giving!

7TH AND 8TH GRADE DRAMA PERFORMANCE

Mark your calendars so you don't miss the Middle School production of **Container of Sharks!**

The performance will be in the old gym.

Friday, April 24, 2026 6:00 PM

Saturday, April 25, 2026 1:30 PM



TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

STUDENT ACADEMIC SHOWCASE

We are excited to invite you to our first ever Academic Showcase! This special event is a wonderful opportunity for our students to share their hard work, creativity, and learning achievements with you.

Date: Tuesday, April 28

Time: 5:00-6:00 PM

Throughout the showcase, students will present projects, demonstrations, and activities from a variety of subjects including reading, writing, math, science and more. You'll get a firsthand look at the skills they've developed and the exciting things happening in our classrooms. Come celebrate our students' dedication and accomplishments—we look forward to seeing you there! Following the academic showcase our 5th-8th grade band students will hold their spring concert at 6:30 PM in the church sanctuary.

SPRING BAND CONCERT

Join us on Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 6:30 in the church sanctuary for the 5th-8th grade band concert. This concert will include many guest musicians: alumni, school parents, church members, staff and community members. It will be a wonderful evening of music.

CALL RECEIVED

Mrs. Judith Mellecke has received a call to teach at St. Peter's Lutheran Church and School in Shaker Heights, Ohio. Please keep her in her prayers as she deliberates her call to serve here and the call to serve in Ohio.

Little Blessings Closet

Parents, have you ever been in a situation where you forgot to pack enough diapers? Or you weren't quite prepared for the accident your potty training child just had? There is now a cabinet in the nursery for situations like this!

Take what you need, Give when you can! The goal is for this cabinet to receive donations of leftover diapers children have outgrown as well as a small supply of unused onsies, undergarments, etc. (Please consider donating used clothing to Calvary's Gift!) Anyone in need of these items is welcome to take as much as they need.



CALVARY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

EASTER BREAK OFFICE HOURS:

The Office will be closed from March 30 through Easter Monday.

Regular school operations resume on April 7.

CHEER ON YOUR LIONS! Upcoming Home Game-

Fri/Sat. 4/10-11 Calvary Baseball Tournament

Check the most up-to-date info on upcoming games by visiting the Calvary website:

www.calvarylhs.org/calendar/

EQUIPPING THE EXPANSION – If you are interested in blessing Calvary students by gifting a specific items for the new building addition, the wishlist can be found at ExpandingExcellenceCLHS.org/Equipping-Expansion

GET YOUR TICKETS: CRIMSON & SILVER DINNER AUCTION – Order your tickets for the 2026 Crimson and Silver Dinner Auction, happening at St. Martin’s Knights of Columbus Hall on Saturday, April 25. Doors open at 4:00pm. Tickets are \$50 each, or you can reserve a table for eight for \$375. To buy tickets, visit linktr.ee/calvarylhs or call the school office at (573) 638-0228.

SAVE THE DATE:

May 1 FFA Petting Zoo

May 1 Spring Concert, 7PM

May 23 Graduation, 10AM

May 29 22nd Annual Benefit Golf Tournament calvarylhs.org/golftournament

Get Your tickets today!

Calvary
LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Crimson & Silver

DINNER AUCTION

April 25, 2026

St. Martins Knights of Columbus

linktr.ee/calvarylhs

CALVARY COMMITMENT

Trinity is one of 6 association churches that own Calvary Lutheran High School. Together with Trinity, Calvary provides the opportunity for a PreK-12 Lutheran school experience in mid-Missouri. Along with the other co-owner congregations, Trinity has committed to supporting Calvary financially with \$15 per communicant member per year. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this support with your offering envelope designated to Calvary or through online giving. Thank you for your support of Lutheran education!

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The Women's Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Mite Box offerings will be collected at the sign-in table. We welcome all women of the congregation to join us in Christian fellowship. For more information, contact Judy Bangert at 573-635-1131.

Women's Auxiliary and Missionary Society will host the Spring Rally on April 18, 2026. Please make plans to attend.

CANDY BAR FUND RAISER

The Senior Youth are selling World Famous Chocolate Bars for \$1.00 each. All proceeds will go toward our Youth Gathering 2028 in San Antonio. Thank you for your continued support of this event!

TRIP OF A LIFETIME!!

Join us as we travel in a luxury motor coach on a 4-night, 5 Day Trip to the Ark Encounter! This also will take us to the Creation Museum and a Riverboat Cruise. Eight meals, 4-night lodging, and driver tip included in price. **Call Debbie Boyce at 562-322-3498** for more information or see flyer posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. A deposit of \$75 due now and balance due in May. Trip arranged by Diamond Tours.

LADIES EVENING GUILD

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, April 6, 2026 in the library. Reminder, our rummage sale will be held on Saturday, May 30, 2026!!

2026 Missouri District Lutheran Women in Mission Convention, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Follow in the footsteps of the Saxon German immigrants who settled Perry County Missouri in 1839 before expanding into Cape Girardeau. Plan to join other Lutheran Women in Mission at the biennial Missouri District convention, June 12-14, 2026, at the Drury Plaza Hotel and Conference Center in Cape Girardeau. While in the area, you

can visit buildings at the Lutheran Heritage Center and Museum in nearby Altenburg, Missouri. However, the host Zones (Altenburg, Cape Girardeau, Iron Mountain, and Jackson Bootheel) have planned numerous convention activities including Friday night's Worship service, Mission Walk, Mission Fair and Silent Auction. Plan to view various Exhibitors during breaks from convention business. Delegates will make decisions that affect the next biennium.

All convention attendees can register online at the convention link found at missourilwml.org. Registration is online only. Early registration is \$200 and includes Saturday boxed lunch and Saturday banquet buffet. After the online registration is completed, you will receive an email confirmation. That email will contain links to three hotels. Booking one of the hotels through that link will provide you with a discount room rate. The last date to book rooms at a discount rate is May 10, 2026. After this date, the hotels will release the unreserved rooms to the general public. Come and see how Lutheran Women in Mission are Rooted in service to our Savior!

HAPPY DRIFTERS

Happy Drifters is open to all senior members. We take educational and fun trips. It is a great way to meet other members of our congregation. Plans have been made for the upcoming months and we hope you can put this on your calendar and join us.

May 12 @11am Guest speaker in Fellowship Hall followed by a carry in dish meal.

June 4 Tour of Lavender Rhapsody Field in Bland, Cost of the tour is \$8 per person. Plans are to rent a bus (details to follow). For lunch we will be going to Cool Cow Cheese

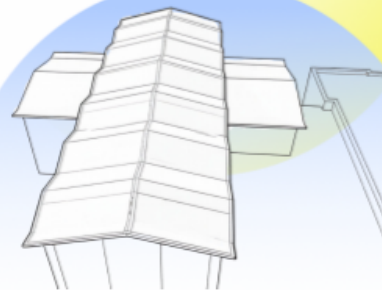
July 11 @ 7pm Elvis at Finke Theater in California MO; cost \$15

There will be signup sheets on bulletin board. Tickets will need to be purchased and bus contract set, so, if you plan to attend please sign up by May 1st, and plan to have payment by May 12 at our carry in dinner.

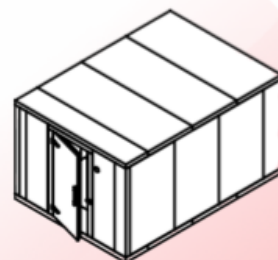
SPRING 2026 CAPITAL GIVING



Building Fund gifts go toward **Sanctuary Roof** repairs



School Capital Improvement gifts go toward a **Walk-In Freezer** for the School Kitchen



www.trinityjc.org/capitalgiving

MEN'S CLUB – Trinity Lutheran Church

SPRING BBQ

SATURDAY

APRIL 25

SERVING BEGINS

10:00 am



SCHULTE'S PARKING LOT

Southwest Blvd. Jefferson City

Pork Steak or Bratwurst Dinners: \$15

(dinners include cole slaw, baked beans, bread (optional) and a choice of meat)

Pork Steak Sandwich: \$6 Bratwurst on a Bun: \$5

All proceeds generated from this event are donated to Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Calvary Lutheran High School, and other local Lutheran-supported activities.

Easter Brunch/Easter Egg Hunt – Easter Sunday, April 5th, the Sr Youth will sponsor the Easter morning breakfast. Each Sr Youth is asked to bring two breakfast casseroles to the fellowship hall before 9:00am. Please sign up at [Easter Brunch 2026](#). The Jr Youth will host an Easter Egg hunt for Sunday School children 5th grade and younger that same morning. The children will meet in the Youth Room at 10:00 for the hunt. Please don't forget to bring your Easter Baskets!

SHINE! THE MISSOURI DISTRICT'S STATE-WIDE SERVANT EVENT “Let's come together with other brothers and sisters in Christ in service during the week of April 10-19th. Trinity plans to make Blessing Bags on April 12th during the Bible Study hour. Then at noon, everyone will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a light lunch and to make cookie plates for our local emergency workers, cards for shut-ins, care baskets for the local hospitals, care packages for NICU, making confirmation flowers, and birthday party kits for the Samaritan Center. Please see the sign up sheets in the narthex for ways that you can help or signup at <https://signup.com/go/uNJPXUZ> reach out to Angie Brenner if you have any questions.

VBS 2026 Volunteers Needed – Emerald Crossing VBS will be held June 12nd thru June 26th from 6:00pm – 8:00pm. If you would like to share your talents with the youth of our community, please sign up at [Trinity Emerald Crossing VBS](#) or contact Angie Brenner. Our first volunteer meeting will be Wednesday, April 15th from 6:30 to 7:30. We'd love to have you as a part of our team!

Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) will be held on June 13-15, 2026 at Faith Lutheran Church, Jefferson City, MO. TEC is a three-day retreat for teens AND adults that allows them to encounter the presence of Christ in their lives in a unique way. If you want to find out more about this amazing opportunity to grow in your faith, please visit our website, www.heartofmotec.com, which has a lot of information about TEC. You may contact Sam Ziegelbein at 573-680-6887 or email TEC at heartofmotec@gmail.com. We can send a digital application if you'd like one. Please prayerfully consider supporting this important ministry with your prayers by attending, or by donating needed items.

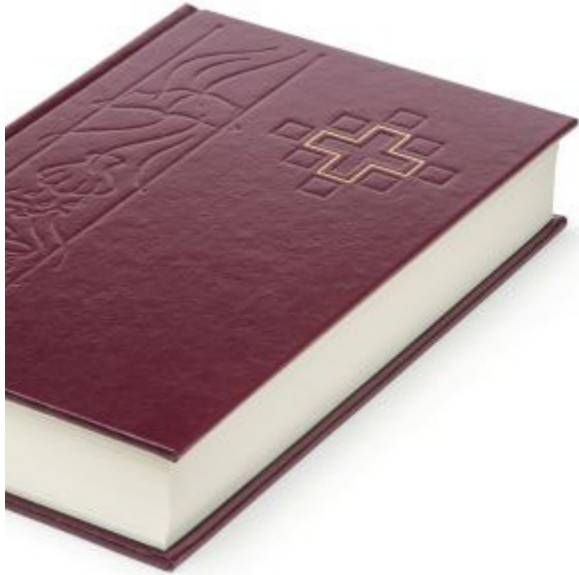
SUPPORTING TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC) - The TEC weekend is not possible without A LOT of prayers and support from our congregations. We ask you to prayerfully consider ways in which you can help us have a successful weekend. If you would like to donate money, please make checks out to Faith Lutheran Church (memo: TEC) and bring to the Faith office. If you are a Thrivent Financial member and would like to use one of your Action Teams to support our ministry, contact Sam Ziegelbein at 573-680-6887 or email TEC at heartofmotec@gmail.com to find out where the action team can be used. Thank you for your continued prayers as we prepare for the TEC weekend.

TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION – The Board members of the Trinity Lutheran School Alumni Association will be meeting in the church Board Room on Tuesday, April 7, at 6 pm. Recently, the association's members approved moving its annual reunion to the Fall, starting this year. Any member or associate member of the association is invited to attend the April 7 meeting as we begin preparations for the 2026 Alumni Reunion. If you have any questions, please contact Jay Wunderlich, chairman of the Alumni Association, at 573.508.5750.



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WORDS OF
WORSHIP



For many of you, you sit down in the pew on Sunday morning and there they are, lined up like little soldiers, their familiar burgundy covers facing you. Lutheran Service Book (LSB) first appeared in 2006 and has since been widely adopted across the Lutheran Church.

You've likely taken this hymnal out of the pew rack, sung some hymns, maybe followed along with the liturgy, perhaps even chanted the Psalms. But what other resources can be found in Lutheran Service Book? More importantly, how can you use the resources found in LSB with your children?

Lutheran Service Book is filled with information beyond Psalms, liturgy, and hymns. If you've ever wondered about the organization of the Scripture readings for each Sunday, known as the lectionary, you'll find the charts listing all the lessons in the

front of LSB. You'll also find a glossary of words frequently used in the church and even a list of the dates for Easter Sunday through the year 2050. The back of the hymnal contains a variety of indexes organized around tunes, first lines of hymns, authors, composers, seasons of the Church Year, and other details.

Tips to Try. Because Lutheran Service Book is filled with resources, consider how you can help your children make use of the hymnal:

- Introduce children to the page numbering in the hymnal. The Psalms fill the front of the hymnal, with page numbers starting at 151. Hymns begin with number 331 and continue through 966.
- Before the worship service, work together to place ribbon markers or paper bookmarks for the liturgy and hymns listed in the bulletin. Or perhaps simply look at the "Prayers for Worship" page at the very beginning of the hymnal to prepare your hearts and minds with prayer.
- Help children follow along with the liturgy as you point to various elements of the Divine Service on each page. Over time, children will begin to commit the spoken and sung words to memory.
- When singing hymns, help children track the stanza by moving your finger along each line as it is sung. This practice is helpful, especially for pre-readers.
- Discuss favorite family hymns. Look up these hymns in your family copy of LSB and mark each one with a personalized bookmark. Incorporate these hymns into your family devotions.

Celebrate Growth

As your children become better acquainted with Lutheran Service Book, rejoice in the growth of their understanding of the words of worship.



Easter Lilies

Given to the Glory of God by



Ed Knernschild in memory of Leona Knernschild and Edna Knernschild

Keith & Denise Ziegelbein in memory of family & friends that have gone on to the Church Triumphant before us.

Jim & Janelle Schulte in honor of the Blue Star (Military) families, the Silver Star (Wounded) families, & the Gold Star (Veterans) families.

Marc & Judy Kollmeyer, Amy, Sara, Joseph, Caleb & families in memory of Raymond & Wilma Scheperle and Henry & Norma Kollmeyer.

Kyle & Jamie Fischer in memory of Betty Fischer Zumwalt and Lowell Fischer.

Terry & Geraldine Surface, in memory of Robert & Martha Surface.

Judith Mellecke, in memory of Rev. Mayo & Mrs. Adelma Mellecke.

Dan & Ellen Sandhaus, in memory of Jerry & Frieda Lamar and Elmer & Alleene Sandhaus.

Bernie & Amy Nadler, Eli, Rachel and Luke, in memory of Leonard & Roberta Nadler and Howard & Nancy Zumbahl

Betty Backes and Michael & Shannon Denney
In memory of MaryAnn Propst

Betty Backes family Thank you dearest Jesus, for thy suffering, death, and blessed resurrection, that we too may live. To thee be the Glory!

Ron & Rosalie Clark, in memory of Adolph & Johanna Walther (parents) & JR Walther (brother)

Carla Chapman, in memory of Della Chapman

Ed & Suebet Beck, in honor of church volunteers

Gary & Maxine Johnson family, in memory of our parents, Ben & Deloris Johnson, and Ralph & Marie Loesch

Terry & Lana Beck family, in memory of Marvin & Virginia Beck and Arthur & Catherine Porting

Dennis & Linda Smith, in memory of Alvin & Lydie Huff and Earl & Margaret Smith

Melvin & Deborah Schulenberg, in memory of Mary Lou Esposito Martin & Edna Schulenberg

Jim & Doris Wunderlich, in memory of Jim and Clara Wunderlich and Nancy Duncan

Charles & Charlotte Skornia, in memory of Dr. George Curtman and in honor of John Ellis

Candace Stockton, in loving memory of George Beck, Gene Stockton, Ernest & Hulda Loesch

Carlene Bates, Wes, Amanda & Leslie Locke, in memory of Danny Bates


Tanya Harrison, in memory of Arline & Pete Foster



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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CHURCH CALENDAR

TRINITY MUSIC

4/5	EASTER	Everyone both services
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✚ Worship

- Sun** 8:00 am DIVINE SERVICE
 9:30 am Bible Study
 & Sunday School **Classrooms**
 10:30 am DIVINE SERVICE
- Wed** 8:15 am School Chapel
- Sat** 6:00 pm DIVINE SERVICE

✚ Weekly

- Sun** 6:30 pm Jr Youth (6th-8th) **YR**
 7:15 pm Sr Youth (HS) **YR**
- Mon** 8:00 am Quilters **Lobby**
- Wed** 9:30 am Lectionary Class **L**
 5:30 pm Handbells **Sanctuary**
- Thu** 7:00 pm Choir **Music Rm**

✚ Monthly

- Mon** 6:30 pm Evening Guild (1st Mon) **L**
- Tue** 1:30 pm Women's Auxiliary (2nd Tue) **FH**
 6:00 pm Men's Club (2nd Tue) **L**
 6:00 pm Missionary Society (2nd Tue) **FH**
- Wed** 11:30 am Widow Support Group (3rd W) **L**
- Fri** 7:00 pm Singles' Game Night (3rd Fri) **FH**
- Sat** 7:15 pm Social Game Night (1st Sat) **FH**

Church Meetings

Council (6:30pm) 5/5	Boards (6:30pm) 4/21	Voters (7:00pm)
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News Deadlines

Send to churchoffice@trinityjc.org
Weekly Bulletin 12pm, Wed
Newsletter 12pm, 22nd of mo.

Location Abbreviations

FH—Fellowship Hall **L**—Church Library **YR**—Youth Rm

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Update your contact information at:
trinityjc.breezechms.com/form/MemberUpdate
 or through your Breeze account