

Trinity Lutheran Church  
and Learning Center  
(ELDoNA affiliated)  
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### Service Schedule:

#### Sunday

Bible Study & 9 AM  
Sunday School  
Divine Service 10:15 AM

#### Wednesday

Catechesis 6:30 PM  
Service 7:00 PM

#### Monday-Friday

Children's Matins 10:00 AM

#### Private Confession & Absolution

Wednesday 10:30-11:00 AM  
Saturday 8:00-8:30 PM  
or by appointment



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## Articles of the Faith

The Holy Scriptures present to us a multitude of teachings, which are to be received by faith. The topics which these doctrines address are quite diverse. The doctrine of creation teaches us that heaven and earth were created by the Triune God. The doctrine of the atonement teaches that Jesus Christ's suffering and death paid the price to forgive the sins of the world. The doctrine of the word teaches that God reveals Himself and His salvation through the writings of the prophets and apostles. The doctrine of Holy Baptism teaches that through the washing of water with the Word, God applies the forgiveness of sin to the individual. The doctrine of the church teaches that all who believe in Christ are united in the bonds of fellowship.

There are two ways to speak about the Christian faith. At times we speak about our belief (faith or trust) in those teachings as the



Christian faith. At other times the words "the Christian faith" is a description of the content of our beliefs. For example, the pastor may say, "Let us confess the Christian faith." These words are an invitation to speak what we believe, as in one of the church's creeds.

The breadth of our profession of beliefs can be rather short. St. Peter responds to Jesus and says, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Mt 16:16). The Apostles' Creed (*credo* in Latin is "I believe") involves a few paragraphs. The Nicene Creed is about a page

while the Athanasian Creed is two pages long. Our children memorize Luther's Small Catechism, which is around 15 pages. These teaching are considered the minimum of knowledge needed to be received into communion fellowship.

At some point we would consider the multitude of teachings to be long. Yes, there is a Large Catechism of 100 pages. Both catechisms are bundled together with other documents into the 600-page Book of Concord.

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# The Learning Center

By Keely Gelso  
ECLC Director

Sweet, sweet summer is coming, and I couldn't be happier! The smell of fresh cut grass, children outside playing, and they seem so much happier the more time spent outdoors! It's the best time ever, so see such sweet smiling faces running and playing! Our day goes by so very quickly. Even though it is becoming much warmer throughout the day, we start our mornings outside so please make sure your child has a light jacket for the day.

We celebrated Palm Monday, with our Palm Procession we do with the children and Pastor. There are some lovely pictures of it on Facebook. Also, we celebrated Good Friday in here at the school and I am wishing I would have taken pictures of the day when the children go to Chapel. It is absolutely stunning on Good Friday; Pastor makes a special



appearance in the entry way of the church to remind the children about Good Friday and why the Church and he looks different that day. He is in his black robe and Jesus is covered in Black cloth, he explains it, so the children understand it in such a wonderful way. The children can tell you what the meaning of Good Friday is and what Easter is! It truly is amazing to watch every year, and I am like one of the children when he explains Good Friday and look forward to it every year.

We had our Pre-Graduation of Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> and it was so very special to see those children and all of the hard work the has been done through the years. They have been so lucky to have wonderful teachers, Mrs. Laura and Mrs. Donna. I know I am, and I am sure the families are so

very thankful for both of them. We will sure miss our friends when they go to the big Kindergarten!

Also, reminder to families to bring a water bottle and if you want sunscreen applied to your child please only send spray and a stick for the face. We will not apply lotion on your child. Please bring the sunscreen marked with the child's name on it and give to your child's teacher. Also, please make sure it is applied before they check in the mornings.

Trinity hired 3 new staff members for the summer, we will be saying a short goodbye to Mrs. Emily as she prepares to have her baby in early June. So welcome, Megan, Madison, and Christina. You will also see some new

staff for our summer program floating around as well. Our summer program will start on Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 if you haven't reserved your spot for school age please do so. The theme this summer is How Does Your Garden Grow? Mrs. Sara will be the lead teacher in the classroom for School-Age this summer with lots of fun trips planned!

### **Important dates!**

Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Muffins with Mom – join your child's classroom and have some muffins and coffee to start your day at 8:00 am!  
Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Closed  
Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Closed  
Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019  
Closed

Please feel free to contact me for a meeting for any concerns or issues that might need resolved  
~ Mrs. G



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The Book of Concord serves as the confessional standard of our church. Pastors are required to preach, teach and conduct their ministry according to it.

Concerning these various teachings, we usually refer to them as articles of the faith. The original meaning of the Latin word, *articulus* is “a point connecting various parts of the body; joint, knot, knuckle. a limb, member, finger.” This illustrates that these individual teachings are not unrelated. One is not able to pick and choose from them as if they were smorgasbord of beliefs. These teachings are a part of a body of doctrine. Each one is connected and relates to the other so that they form a cohesive whole. If you attempt to deny one of God’s revealed teachings, you will find that you have denied the others and maybe even rendered the whole unsustainable.

For example, the belief that the Holy Scriptures are the Word of God is related to the teaching of inspiration

and inerrancy. Not only are the writings of the prophets and apostles inspired by God, but those writings are without error. If God’s Word contains errors, then either God is a liar or the words of the prophets are only the words of a man. Nevertheless, we know that the very words (and not just the thoughts which they expressed) of the chosen Biblical writers are verbally inspired, so that the God of truth could present to us His holy Word of truth.

The content of the Christian faith is taken from the Holy Scriptures alone, and thus, the revelation of God presents a limited number of connecting articles of doctrine. St. John’s words concerning Christ’s many works seem to apply to the content of the Christian faith. John 20:30-31, “And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.”

The Triune God has not revealed to us everything of His infinite mind and being, but what He has revealed to us is



sufficient to save from sin and death, and to give us eternal life through faith in His Son. The revealed Word of God is deep enough to engage our minds for a lifetime and

yet simple enough to bring someone to become a Christian in one conversation.

--MDH



*Happy 96th Birthday, Violet!*



# May 2019

MONDAY - FRIDAY  
Children's Matins 10 AM - 10:30 AM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Acolytes: Sun(5) Colton Weber, Sun(12) Dylan Dunaway, Sun(19) Olivia Dunaway, Sun(26) Luke Phillips, Thu(30) Crucifer/Gospel Book Tom Weber, Acolytes Dylan and Olivia Dunaway.</p>	<p>Elder--Tony Stretch(995-1379); Altar Guild--LeeAnn Byrne; Church Cleaning--May 5 Dunaway, May 12/19 Byrne, May 26-Aug 18 ECLC</p>		<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Saints Philip and James, Apostles</p>	<p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p>
			Eldona Synod			
<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Miseraricordias Domini (Easter 2)</p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class</p> <p><b>10:15 AM Divine Service</b></p> <p>Learn-by-Heart Certificate for Christian Questions with their Answers</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>6:00 PM Board of Education</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>10:30 AM PCA</p> <p><b>6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart</b></p> <p><b>7:00 PM Catechesis Service</b></p>	<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p>
<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Jubilate (Easter 3)</p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class</p> <p><b>10:15 AM Divine Service</b></p> <p>Mother's Day</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>10:30 AM PCA</p> <p><b>6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart</b></p> <p><b>7:00 PM Catechesis Service</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>8:00 PM Private Confession &amp; Absolution</p> <p>Armed Forces Day</p>
<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Cantate (Easter 4)</p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class</p> <p><b>10:15 AM Divine Service</b></p> <p>2:30 PM Bike with Pastor Mike and Picnic</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>7:00 PM Elders' Meeting</p>	<p><b>21</b></p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>10:30 AM PCA</p> <p><b>6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart</b></p> <p><b>7:00 PM Catechesis Service</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>7:00 PM Ladies Missionary Society</p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>8:00 PM Private Confession &amp; Absolution</p>
<p><b>26</b></p> <p>Rogate (Easter 5)</p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class</p> <p><b>10:15 AM Divine Service</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>ECLC Closed</p> <p>Rogation Monday</p> <p>Memorial Day (Observed)</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>Rogation Tuesday</p> <p><b>7:00 AM Matins</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>Rogation Wednesday</p> <p><b>7:00 AM Matins</b></p> <p>10:30 AM PCA</p> <p><b>6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart</b></p> <p><b>7:00 PM Catechesis Service</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>Ascension Day</p> <p><b>7:00 PM Divine Service</b></p>	<p><b>31</b></p>	

# June 2019

MONDAY - THURSDAY  
Children's Matins 10 AM - 10:30 AM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Elder-- Cecil Plock; Altar Guild--Lynnette Dunaway, Church Cleaning--The Learning Center		Acolytes: Sun(2) Liam Phillips, PentecostSun(9) Crucifer-Luke, Gospel Book-Tom Weber, Acolytes-Dylan Dunaway and Liam Phillips, Trinity Sun(16) Crucifer/Gospel-Tom Weber, Acolytes-Colton Weber and Olivia Dunaway, Sun(23) Dylan Dunaway, Sun(30) Colton Weber				1
2 <b>Exaudi (Easter 6)</b> Summer Sunday School Kickoff 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service	3	4	5 <b>St. Boniface, Martyr</b> 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	6	7	8 <b>Pentecost Eve</b>
9 <b>Pentecost</b> 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service	10 <b>Pentecost Monday</b> 10:30 AM Divine Service	11 <b>Pentecost Tuesday</b> <b>Saint Barnabas, Apostle</b> 10:30 AM Divine Service 6:00 PM Board of Education	12 <b>Ember Wednesday</b> 7:00 AM Matins 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	13	14 <b>Ember Friday</b> <i>Flag Day</i>	15 <b>Ember Saturday</b> 7:00 AM Matins
16 <b>Holy Trinity</b> 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service <i>Learn-by-Heart Recitation of Table of Duties</i> <i>Father's Day</i>	17	18	19 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	20	21	22 8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
23 <b>Trinity 1</b> 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service <i>Learn-by-Heart Certificate for Table of Duties</i>	24 <b>Nativity of Saint John the Baptist</b>	25 <b>Presentation of the Augsburg Confession</b>	26	27	28	29 <b>Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles</b> 8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
30 <b>Johann Frederick I-'St. John the Steadfast'</b> <b>Trinity 2</b> 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service <i>Learn-by-Heart Recitation for Daily Prayers</i>						

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