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Proclaiming Jesus Christ to the World!

From Our Pastor

HOW BREAKFAST GOT ITS CRUNCH

What if your morning bowl of cereal had something to teach you about faith?

Not just nutrition... but calling, community, and the simple, powerful act of feeding people.

Beginning April 19, we invite you into a new sermon series: “How Breakfast Got Its Crunch: Planting the Seeds & Filling the Bowls.” Yes—cereal. But also... so much more.

Did you know, the first flaked cereal, Cornflakes, was created in 1894 by John Harvey Kellogg, rooted in a vision of health, discipline, and care for the body. And in 1926—the year Trinity began its own ministry—Raisin Bran cereal was introduced. As we approach Trinity’s 100th anniversary, and we celebrate a century of faith, ministry, and community something as simple as cereal has been nourishing generations—one bowl at a time.

At Trinity, feeding people is not a new idea. It is who we are. Through our Food Pantry and community partnerships, lives are touched every single week. Faith is not only something we believe—it is something we do. In this centennial season, we remember: This is our story. A story of generosity. A story of showing up. A story of trusting that God works through ordinary things—like bread... like grain... like cereal.

Beginning on Sunday April 19th through May 24th, this series, we will explore how cereal has impacted the world globally, as well as how cereal has grown into life giving ministry, how cereal nourishes the body and soul, how small seeds like grains of wheat become something abundant.

In addition to the sermon series, we will be doing a cereal food drive for our local pantry. All types of cereal are welcome—any size, any kind. In honor of Trinity’s upcoming 100th anniversary—and the year 1926—we have set a bold goal: 1,926 boxes of cereal. Is it possible? Yes. With God, all things are possible. And with Trinity... we’ve been known to exceed expectations.

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From Our Pastor *(continued)*

For many families, cereal is more than breakfast—it is a simple, dependable meal. And in our community, there are still those who pray: “Give us this day our daily bread.”

Every box given is more than a donation. It is faith in action. It is Trinity living its calling. It is God’s work—through our hands. Come be part of a series that is: Thought-provoking. Unexpected. Rooted in real stories of faith. Connected to the ministry we share right here at Trinity. Because sometimes the simplest things—like a bowl of cereal—remind us of the most important truth:

God feeds people. And at Trinity... we do too. Let’s plant the seeds. Let’s fill the bowls. Let’s live the story—together.

Serving together in Christ,

Pastor Carol



Thank You



Thank you to all who helped out with our Dad's funeral on March 13th. His Celebration of Life Service and the luncheon afterwards were everything we could have wanted for our Dad. Trinity was such an important part of his life for over seven decades.

He would be very pleased.



There were so many who worked so hard on the service, the music, ushering, security and parking, preparing the bulletin, setting up the tables, decorating the tables, meeting the caterer, setting up and replenishing the food, emptying the trash, cleaning up, taking down the tables.



Thank you so much Pastor Carol, Kim Bloomer, Cynthia Valentine, Kali Agosto, Gary and Fanny Hautau, Bill and Karen Hiers, Bernie Tomaszewski, Karen Brown, Pam Piersall, Jose Gonzalez and Lisa Montalchi, Rusty White, Cheryl Holler, Judy Hassler, Debi Groenendyk, Scott Piersall.

William, Chris, and Kyle Billy





Please Bring
Potted Flowers
 To decorate the altar for Easter and then plant around the church after the Easter Service.

Please drop them off before Easter Sunday.



Join Us For An
Easter
 Egg Hunt & Breakfast!

EASTER SUNDAY
April 5th, 2026
 Breakfast: 8:45 am
 Egg Hunt: 9:45 am



Women of the ELCA  All are Invited
Worry No More

Women of the ELCA First Coast Conference
Spring Gathering
 Saturday, April 18, 2026
 Trinity Lutheran Church
 1415 S. McDuff • Jacksonville, FL 32205

Bible study presentation
 Lutheran World Relief speaker Mary Tereszkiewicz
 WELCA business meeting

Registration begins 8:30 am
 Program 9 am–1:30 pm
 \$15 registration fee, payable at the door
 (includes morning snacks and lunch, and Synod share)

RSVP by April 3 to Rachel Mumford • ramumford@att.net to let us know how many in your group will attend.

Cereal-ously

Serving Our Community!

**Celebrating 100 Years of Serving —
Let's Give Back Together**

Donate any size or kind

Bring to Trinity

Help feed families in need

Be part of the blessing.
Sharing God's love — one box at a time.

GOAL:
1,926 Boxes of Cereal!

Begets April 19th through May 24th

Make a Financial Donation:
Visit our website and mark your gift for cereal donations or scan the QR code to give instantly.



Scan to Give



Annual YARD SALE

Donations are now being accepted.

This year's Yard Sale will fall on
June 12 & 13th, 2026





Due to limited space, boxed items are preferred.
(Please do not bring items in bags.)

Furniture can be brought in on the week of the Yard Sale.



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
				Food Pantry 4-6pm	Food Pantry 10am-12pm Good Friday Service 12pm	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Breakfast 8:45am Egg Hunt 9:45am Easter Sunday 10am Take Away 11 am	Quilters 9am	Choir 10:30am		Food Pantry 4-6pm	Food Pantry 10am-12pm	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Worship 10am Take Away 11 am	Quilters 9am MOT 8:30 am	Choir 10:30am WELCA Mtg. 10:30am Circle Mtg. 12pm Council Mtg. 6:30pm	Tax Day	Worship Team Mtg. 12pm Food Pantry 4-6pm Lunch Bunch 11:30am	Food Pantry 10am-12pm	WELCA Spring Gathering 8:30 am
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Cereal Series Worship 10am Take Away 11am	Quilters 9am	Choir 10:30am		Food Pantry 4-6pm	Food Pantry 10am-12pm NFAN 12pm	Contra Dance 5:30 pm
26	27	28	29	30		
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Groups, Gatherings, & Announcements



THE TAKEAWAY

Want a space to talk about life and faith in a real way? The Takeaway is a relaxed, community-led Bible study where we can share honest thoughts, ask questions, and explore how the week's Gospel connects to our everyday lives. There's no pressure—just real conversation, open hearts, and a chance to grow in faith together. Come as you are, bring your curiosity, and join the discussion.

Join us each Sunday at 11:10 in the Cecil Poole room!

**If you're interested in leading the lesson, there is a sign-up sheet in the Hall of Memories*



We meet on the second Monday of each month to handle general maintenance, minor repairs, and light clean-up around the church. We start at 8:30 with a light breakfast and good fellowship. All are welcome—no skills needed. Even if you're not handy, come help, hold tools, or just supervise!



The Choir practices on Tuesdays at 10:30 am.

All are welcome!

Check Trinity out at: trinity4jax.org
You can find calendar events, announcements, and more!

Scan QR Code to donate!



Trinity Lunch Bunch

APRIL DESTINATION



4401 Roosevelt Blvd.
Jacksonville, FL 32208
(904) 388 - 5520

April 16, 2026 – 11:30am

**Sign up in the Hall of Memories. *Call Kim with any changes: (904)635-9104*



The April

Love Offering will go to Inspire to Rise.

Trinity Food Pantry



March Recap

53 Volunteers Served at the Trinity
Community Food Panty during March 2026

Date	Patrons	Family Members	# of Zip Codes
Mar. 5 th & 6 th	241	723	25
Mar. 12 th & 13 th	249	741	26
Mar. 19 th & 20 th	249	763	23
Mar. 26 th & 27 th	271	838	29
Total	1,010	3,065	30

During March the Trinity Community Food Pantry continued providing 6 bags of food for needy, at-risk students at Riverside High School each week. We also provided Ms. Hawk with 20 snack bags for needy students to have during spring break. Thank you so much to all our donors and volunteers that allow the Trinity Community Food Pantry to assist all those that need food.