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Deliverance From Evil

SERMON SERIES ON THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sunday Morning – 8:45 Bible Study

The Book of Acts is being studied with Ed Rupprecht as the leader in the Founders Hall across from the Sanctuary. Coffee, donuts & Christian community abundantly offered. All are welcome.

Women's Monday Night Bible Study

Join Us on the first and third **Mondays at 7pm in Founders Hall**. All women are welcome and invited.
For more information call Pat Paulson at 623-935-1485!

Next Sunday: ALL SAINTS DAY

We will be celebrating "All Saints Day" on Sunday, November 5, 2023. The word "saint" is from the Latin word sanctus and means "holy". The Bible teaches us that a "saint" is one made "holy" by the blood of Jesus Christ (see 1 Corinthians 1:2 for one of many examples). In faith, the blood of Jesus makes us all "saints"! On All Saints Day, we especially remember and thank God for those who have died in the faith and whom we look forward to seeing in the Kingdom of Heaven. If you would like a loved one remembered on All Saints Day, please email Pastor Bolte (dbolte@trinitylcs.org) their name and relationship to you before Monday, October 30. You are also invited to submit a photo of your loved one for the screens that day. Please email the photo to Pastor Bolte, or bring it into the church office and we can scan it for you. If you email, **BE SURE THAT YOU GET A CONFIRMATION EMAIL BACK** to make sure Pastor received your email.

TODAY • TODAY • TODAY • TODAY • TODAY

All 1st graders and above! We have a special gift for you! Pastor would like to give you your very own Bible to keep!

This special BIBLE PRESENTATION for first graders and older will be TODAY, October 29th at 11:30am worship in the church. Pastor will call you up front to talk about the Bible and then give each one of you a free Bible!

After worship, we will take a photo of each child with their Bible, Pastor and family. **This event is for any first grader and above as they are starting to read! The Bible is the most important book you will ever read!**

AND Yes, friends and neighbors are welcome!

Grandparents, bring your grandchildren! Trinity members, bring your children's friends and the neighbor children and families!

**See ya TODAY,
Oct. 29th at 11:30am!**



Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!
We are glad that you are worshiping with us this morning. If you are visiting with us, we consider you an honored guest and pray that you enjoy your worship experience. If we can help in any way, please see an elder or usher for assistance.

REMEMBERING A LUTHERAN HERO AND MARTYR

During the Thirty Years War (1618-1648), Roman Catholic rulers attacked Protestant regions of Germany with the hope of stamping out the Reformation. The battles that followed forced 10s of thousands of people out of their homes. Disease and famine deepened the misery, causing a level of suffering similar to what we see today in parts of Africa. Finally, the Swedish king, Gustavus Adolfus II (1594 – 1632), Led his armies to defend the Protestants. His armies victory at the battle of Lutzen ensured the survival of the Reformation. But Gustavus Himself died in the fighting. Today we remember and thank God for this "Lion of the North" and his sacrifice.

Concordia, The Lutheran Confessions,

"Introduction ... with intrepid hearts", p. 10 [slightly adapted]

STUDY THE WORD

God alone can create and preserve faith in us. God creates faith in us through the Word. He increases, strengthens and confirms faith in us through His Word. Hence the best service that anybody can render God is diligently to hear and read God's Word. On the other hand, nothing is more perilous than to be weary of the Word of God. Thinking he knows enough, a person begins little by little to despise the Word until he has lost Christ and the Gospel altogether. *Commentary on Galatians, Martin Luther Chapter 1: 11-12*

Pastor Bolte's Bible Studies Fall, 2023

You are invited to study God's Holy Word with us as we strive to be Biblically literate and Doctrinally sound disciples. Below are the Bible studies that Pastor Bolte will be teaching this Fall.

The Nicene Creed

This class meets during OASIS on Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm, in the Sanctuary. We say the Nicene Creed together in worship regularly: but what does it mean and why was it created? We will study this "Ecumenical Creed" that has united the Christian Church for almost 1,700 years!

The Book of Galatians

This class is held on Tuesdays@11am in Founder's Hall. This short book is one of the most powerful studies of the Law of God and the Gospel of Christ. This study will help you become biblically literate and doctrinally sound as a Lutheran disciple of Christ!

MEN OF FAITH

This Men's Group is designed to form Christian friendships, and to study the Lutheran Confessions (the Book of Concord). Books are only \$20 (a steal!), and you can join us at any time! As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another! PROV. 27: 17 MEN OF FAITH meets every Tuesday@ 6:30pm in the Adult Classroom.

SENIOR CONFIRMATION CLASS

This class is held on Mondays@6:30pm in the Church Boardroom. If your son/daughter is in 8th grade (or older) and not confirmed, this class is for them. Contact Pastor Bolte for more details

AMOS = A Ministry of Seniors

Amos will meet on Wednesday, October 25 in Founders Hall from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

ALL seniors are welcome for great Christian fellowship, Bible Study and games. Bring your own sack lunch. October birthdays will be specially remembered at this October 25 gathering. AMOS meets regularly on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month.

We look forward to seeing YOU (senior) at our coming time of fellowship.

CONTINUAL PRAYER

When we are trained to perceive the great gifts that our loving Father provides for us through His Son and by His Spirit, then thanksgiving, intercession, and every form of prayer really do begin to flow naturally in our lives. We learn to sense the Giver behind the countless gifts ... [we gain a] growing consciousness that we live our lives in the presence of our most loving God, surrounded by His Holy Angels, into whose joyful praise we can join our voices at any time.

Thank, Praise, Serve, And Obey, W.C. Weedon, page 46

NEWS from Our LWML

2024 Calendars CONTINUE TO BE sold after each service (\$10.00ea) They are beautiful!

Likewise, those fussy spirits are to be rebuked who, after they have heard a sermon or two, find hearing more sermons to be tedious and dull. They think that they know all that well enough and need no more instruction. For that is exactly the sin that was previously counted among mortal sins and is called akadia (i.e., apathy or satisfaction). This is a malignant, dangerous plague with which the devil bewitches and deceives the hearts of many so that he may surprise us and secretly take God's Word from us. *Luther's Large Catechism, 3rd Commandment.*

GOOD NEWS FROM OUR PRISON MINISTRY!

Two of the men have completed their prison sentences. They have returned to the community! Please pray for them as they re-adjust and find work, that they also will find a Bible believing church and continue to grow in faith in Jesus!

Also, the prisoner who qualified for **Wild Land Fire Crew was out with his group of firefighters near the 303 highway on the west side of Phoenix.** He realized that Trinity was not that far away. He was grateful to God that he had a chance to protect our end of the valley, thus helping those who prayed for him!

Church Nursery

We love your little ones! Children are welcome in worship! If your little one needs to burn off some energy, the Nursery is available at all of our Sunday worship services, except 6pm. (If you would like childcare during our Sunday 6pm worship, please contact Ruth Fisher at 480-235-1473.)

Music Opportunities

If you are looking for a way to use your musical talents, please consider joining one of our groups.

- **Handbell Choir** Mondays @6:30pm in the Sanctuary
- **Sanctuary Choir** Tuesdays @6:30pm in the Sanctuary
- We also need volunteers to **run the soundboard**; we will train you!
- If you are interested in joining the **Praise Team**, contact Juliann to set up a time to meet.
- We are looking to start a **Praise Choir** to sing one Sunday a month at the Praise services. Rehearsals to be determined once we get enough people.

Contact Juliann at the church office with questions or to let her know you are interested!

Come and Study God's Holy Word with us!

It is important to study God's Holy Word! If you need a Bible, any staff will give you one for free. If you have any questions, please talk to or email the leader of the study or any staff member!

WORSHIP EVERY SUNDAY

[There are many activities to do on Sunday], and each of these activities in themselves may be a blessing, but they become deadly when they choke out the space where the Word publicly works in our lives [see Luke 8:11-15]. To be perfectly blunt: to hold the Word sacred and to gladly hear it and learn it means at minimum that any Sunday you are physically able, you will be found with your brothers and sisters attending to the Word of God. This is not to fulfill some "holy day of obligation" as our medieval ancestors erroneously imagined; rather, it is to safeguard space for the privilege and joy of the Word of God doing its great work in your life. *Thank, Praise, Serve, And Obey, W.C. Weedon, page 14*

Prayer of the Week

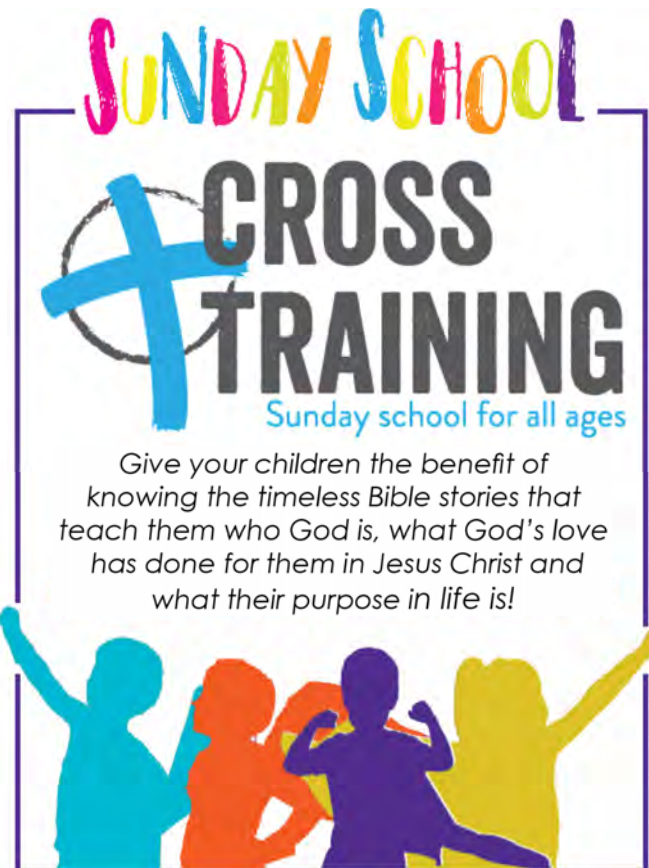
Our Father who art in heaven, we thank you that you deliver us from evil. Help us to know and believe that as we go through difficult and painful times. Send us the Holy Spirit so that we may trust in You and Your promises. Strengthen our faith so that we believe and confess that You have delivered us, you are delivering us and that you will deliver us throughout our lives. We pray this in Jesus' Name, amen.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE WEAK IN FAITH

Some Christians have a weak faith and are shy, troubled, and heartily terrified because of the great number of their sins. They think that in their great impurity they are not worthy of this precious treasure and Christ's benefits [in Holy Communion].


They feel their weakness of faith and lament it, and from their hearts desire that they may serve God with stronger, more joyful faith and pure obedience. These are the truly worthy guests for whom this highly venerable Sacrament has been especially instituted and appointed.

Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions, FCSD VII.66



SUNDAY SCHOOL
CROSS TRAINING
Sunday school for all ages

Give your children the benefit of knowing the timeless Bible stories that teach them who God is, what God's love has done for them in Jesus Christ and what their purpose in life is!



OUR THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE HAS BEGUN!

We will focus first on filling the blue bags with the food items on the list needed for the Agua Fria Food Bank. If you would like to be in on blessing others, then grab a blue flyer and a blue bag. When you have completed the list, please bring the bags back to Trinity and place in the Thanksgiving boxes, in the church or Family Life Center. Our Amazing LWML Ladies will add bookmarkers. Volunteers will a little Gospel of John in Spanish and English.

Hoping turkeys will start to fly to Trinity so we can help hungry families have a lovely Thanksgiving! Bring turkeys on Sunday morning or call the church office to coordinate delivery. Call turkey wrangler Ruth Fisher 480-235-1473 -- she is happy to help you!



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



The Book of Concord

Lutherans have used the confessions of faith contained in the [Book of Concord] for nearly 500 years as their public witness and testimony of what the Bible teaches. these confessions give clear, unambiguous, and certain witness to the Christian faith. They unite all those who bear the name Lutheran and wish to be -- and remain -- genuinely Lutheran.

Concordia, The Lutheran Confessions, "Introduction ... with intrepid hearts", p.9 [slightly adapted] **Men, come and join us on Tuesdays@6:30pm as we study the Book of Concord! See Pastor Bolte for more details!**



Trinity Lutheran Church

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HOW TO LISTEN TO A SERMON

BE PREPARED AND EAGER TO LEARN

Arrive at church with a teachable spirit ready and eager to learn about God, His Word, and your Christian faith and life. A sermon is both proclamation of the Gospel and education in the Christian faith. There is always something you can learn and grow from in a sermon. Be ready to learn, and discipline yourself to listen. Use a sermon hard copy or a sermon worksheet if it will help you. *Arrive at church eager to learn.*

Children and Youth worker!

We are starting the search for our new children and youth worker. We are looking for a person who has a passion for the Word of God and is apt and eager to teach. This position will work with our congregation's children and youth, leading those ministries with an emphasis on making disciples through the Word of God. The position will also include Family Ministry, Outreach and Evangelism, and oversee our Social Media and Internet presence. This is a full-time position with benefits. If you are interested in discussing this, please e-mail Pastor Bolte (dbolte@trinitylcs.org) to set up a time to meet. OR, if you know a LCMS Called worker who might be interested, please let Pastor know!

Are you getting emails from Pastor?

If you are not getting our weekly email each week now, then we do not have a good email address for you. **Please send your email to Pastor & he will get you on the list: DBolte@TrinityLCS.org**

Questions about Trinity School?

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Meet another teacher from our school where we strive to prepare students to be disciples of Christ through exceptional education with a firm foundation in God's word.

Our teachers are committed and qualified to provide both excellent academics and to share the Gospel. We thank God for each of them. Remember the teachers and the school ministry in your prayers.

Meet Sandy Valdez, Pre-school teacher

Mrs. Valdez was born and raised in Arizona and has been teaching at Trinity in the Early Childhood Program since 2012. Mrs. Valdez knew at a young age that she wanted to work with children and feels that there is nothing more inspiring than to see the face of a child who has mastered a new skill. Her mission is to instill the love of Jesus and learning within each child she teaches and is dedicated and committed to her family, students and Jesus. She has been married to her high school sweetheart, Ted, since 1999. They have three children, Xavier, Brandon, and Mariah.



From Last Week: Laura Dickerson Preschool Prep Teacher



Laura began her journey with Trinity as a substitute teacher and then became full time in 2019. Currently, she teaches the 2-year old class and finds it her favorite age group. Ms. Laura is a graduate of Bible College and served in a variety of ministries for over 25 years. Laura is excited and pleased to be at Trinity where she can guide 2 year olds in their educational and faith development. Keep Laura, her family, and class in your prayers.

Sunday Worship on Campus 830 East Plaza Circle • Litchfield Park, AZ 85340

7:30am Traditional Worship
9:00am/10:15am Contemporary Worship
11:30am Blended Worship
6:00pm Casual Traditional Worship

Services are also posted on Facebook and TrinityLCS.org
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