

Christ's Sudden Return

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NOV. 27 MORNING SERVICES!

NEXT Sunday, November 27th, all morning services will be held in the Family Life Center so that sanctuary Christmas decorating can begin.

Note that you are invited to help with Christmas/Advent decorating on the 27th at 8:30am! Come and join us make our worship area beautiful for the holiday season!

Check It Out: VERY Special Insert this Week!

The Staff here at Trinity have carefully reviewed all the tasks and projects that make Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas special this time of year. Please look through the insert and plan to serve!



Food Collection

We will see what God will do in and through us!

!!*TODAY 2-4pm*!!

Packing on Nov. 20st for our Trinity families

THIS SATURDAY

Pre-Holiday
Grief Workshop
Saturday November 26
9:00 – 12:00 noon
Founder's Hall

Everyone needs help and support when times are tough. Please RSVP with Jan (JReynolds@TrinityLCS.org) if you are struggling with your plans to celebrate Christmas.

There will be helpful tips, discussion and a special time to remember loved ones who are absent this Christmas.

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.

CROSS Training for Parents & Adults!

Sundays at 10:15am, ADULT CROSS TRAINING meets in the **Board Room** in the church office with **Janet Sienkiewicz** leading. Adults study the same stories as the children to encourage family faith sharing! (Questions? Ruth Fisher 480-235-1473 or RFisher@TrinityLCS.org) **NO CLASS Nov. 27**

Sunday Morning-- 8:45 Adult Bible Study

The Gospel according to St. Luke will be studied with Rev. Les Self as the leader. In the Founders Hall across from the Sanctuary. Coffee, donuts & Christian community abundantly offered. All are welcome.

AMOS = A Ministry of Seniors

AMOS meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays each month. Our next AMOS meeting will be on Nov. 23 in Founder's Hall from 10am-1pm. It is a fun time of study, games, and fellowship. *Bring a sack lunch.*

SPLASHING WITH JOY OVER BAPTISM!

One of my joys here at Trinity is to talk with families and individuals about baptism! What a miracle God has prepared for us! I would love to answer any questions you or a friend has about baptism! Not sure how to talk to someone else about God's gift of baptism? *Let's chat & maybe I can give you ideas. Call me, Deaconess Ruth Fisher, 480-235-1473 or RFisher@TrinityLCS.org*



HOW TO LISTEN TO A SERMON

LISTEN FOR THE GOSPEL!

The number one thing to listen for in a sermon is the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

How is the Gospel being proclaimed? What has God done for you? How does it apply to you? Do you believe what is being proclaimed to you?

The Gospel is what creates and strengthens your faith. Be sure to listen for, identify, and apply the Gospel to your own life! The Gospel creates and strengthens your faith!

The Christmas Eve Praise Choir is back in action soon!

We will be starting rehearsals soon to prepare to sing at the two Christmas Eve Handbell & Praise Team services. If you are interested in joining us for this wonderful evening of music and worship, please let Juliann know at the church office or between church services. We would love to have you sing with us!



Prayer of the Week

Lord Jesus, we believe that you are the Judge of the Living and the Dead. We thank you that we can live without fear of the Last Day and the Final Judgment.

We thank you for declaring us "not guilty!" of our sins even now as we live our lives. Help us stay strong in faith as we urgently look for Your return at any moment. Come Lord Jesus, come! Amen!

LWML News

We would like to thank everyone who purchased a 2023 Calendar!



Upcoming events

TODAY Nov. 20th: Welcome reception for new members
December 6th, 13th, and 20th: Advent soup suppers

Women's Monday Night Bible Study

Women's evening Bible Class meets the first and third Monday evenings at 7 pm in Founders Hall. We we are studying the book of Psalms. Join Us!

"God bestowed new life on us in Holy Baptism. He now comes to feed and nourish us.

We cannot go back to the cross, but because the risen and ascended Christ possesses all the authority of God's Right Hand, He can and does bring the fruits of the cross to us."

The Blessings of Weekly Communion, Kenneth W. Wieting, p.21

Trinity Lutheran School • Meet the Kinder Teachers

Miss Christina Grace graduated from Concordia University, Irvine with her BA and Concordia University-Portland, with her Master's in Education with a focus on Trauma and Resilience. Miss Grace has been teaching since 2008 and has experience teaching Kindergarten through 4th grade and has taught in Lutheran schools in California, Nebraska, and Arizona. Miss Grace has a bearded dragon, Bruni, as a class pet who loves children! In her spare time, she likes to hike, play all kinds of sports, read, play handbells, learn new things, and spoil her two cats, Lilo and Stitch. Miss Grace loves being a part of the Trinity family and sharing God's love with everyone!



Mrs. Haddad earned her Bachelor of Science teaching certification through the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Mrs. Haddad has been teaching Kindergarten at Trinity Lutheran School since 2001. Before Trinity, she worked in Chattanooga, Tennessee at Little Debbie Snack Cakes, and her employer offered her volunteer part-time work in a 3rd Grade inner-city school. This opportunity set her heart on fire for teaching!

While in Chattanooga, she also worked in Kindergarten and 5th Grade classes. During high school, she enjoyed doing mission work with her family in Liberia, Africa. Mrs. Haddad is happiest using the gifts the Lord provided her, teaching His Word and sharing the Gospel with His children daily! Mrs. Haddad feels so blessed to be allowed to do this freely!



Trinity's Children's Christmas Program

Trinity's Children & Teens will Share the Gospel in a Service that Brings the World-changing Christmas Story to Life!

Next Practices:
Sunday Nov. 20, 10:35-11:15am
Wed. Nov. 30, 7:30-8:00pm



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE!

Turkeys are gobbling and that means Trinity folks are out gathering food for families in need!

For 15 years, we have responded to God's goodness to us, by blessing others. We have gathered food, turkeys, and personal care items for those who are struggling. Church and School folks have given 100 bags or boxes filled with food for community families through **Agua Fria Food Bank**.



We help **our own Trinity families** who are struggling, personalizing their boxes to their needs.

TODAY Sunday, Nov 20th from 2pm - 4pm, we will pack the Trinity boxes. Flyers are available on the usher's table. We thank Barbara Gaugert has been our amazing lead along with her trusty husband, Alan! We thank them both and the whole Thanksgiving Food Drive team for sharing their talents with us and these families.



- Nov. 20: Children's Christmas Program Prac.
- Nov. 20: SR Youth • Grocery GETTING for ThanksGIVING Food Drive
- Nov. 30: Children's Christmas Program Prac.
- SR Youth Midnighter: more info coming soon!

Contact Ms. Laura for more information or to RSVP

OASIS BIBLE STUDIES & CONFIRMATION

NO OASIS on NOVEMBER 23

Every Wednesday from 6:30pm-7:45pm thru May. Pastor will lead the **Adult Bible Study** in the Church. Trinity's **teens in grades 8-12** meet in the LIGHT Lounge youth room to study God's Word with Ms. Laura.

Prepare your youth for life & Holy Communion!
CONFIRMATION

Mondays, 6:30pm-7:30pm

8th grade - Pastor Bolte, Adult Classroom

Wednesdays, 6:30pm-7:45pm

5th & 6th grade - Charlene Nichol, Adult Classroom

7th grade - Ruth Fisher, Room 404

Christmas Decorating

We would love to have you help decorate the Family Life Center and Sanctuary for Christmas!

Decorating in the Sanctuary

takes place NEXT Sunday November 27 at 8AM

Decorating in the Family Life Center

starts Friday December 2 at 6PM

It's a great time to meet people from other services and have some fun together!

The Angel Trees are BACK!

The Angel Trees will be going up in the sanctuary & FLC Thanksgiving weekend.

There are 2 ways that you can help serve those in our community who are in need at Christmas.

- The little brown envelopes can be used for cash, checks or gift cards. They can be returned to the box set by each Angel Tree. The most requested gift cards are for Target, Walmart, Frys and Gas cards. Cards in increments of \$25.00 or \$50.00 are the most needed. Cash and checks will be used by Angel Tree to shop for individuals who's gift tags are either not returned or not picked or last minuet requests.
- The white gift tags will have information for an individual you can shop for, their age and their present wish. Please return the gift UNWRAPPED (gift bags are OK) with the tag securely fastened to the gift.



All gifts need to be returned no later than 12/11 and monetary contributions please by 12/18. This will give the Angel Tree team members time to sort, shop and return to Ruth in time for Christmas!

If your heart calls you to sponsor a family or individual please contact Ruth Fisher and she can assist you.

"Share with the Lord's people who are in need.

Practice hospitality." Romans 12:13

Angel Tree thanks you for supporting our mission to "Serve those in our community who are in need at Christmas."

Note: Box Tops for Education

The school is no longer taking box tops and soup labels. That is all done online. <https://www.boxtops4education.com/s/>

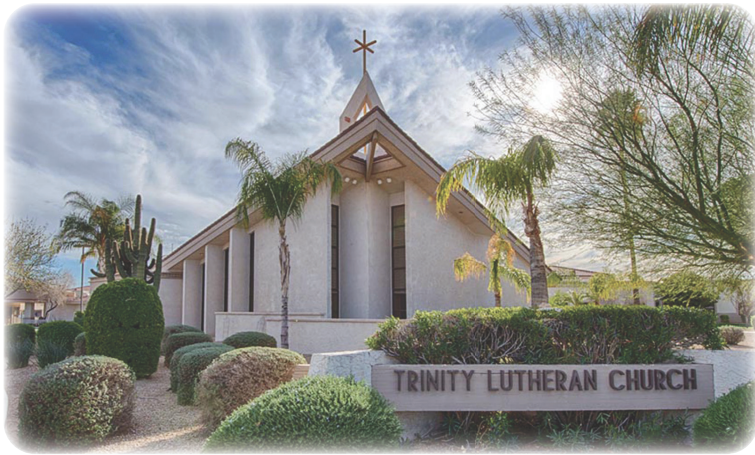


ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE: HELP!

We are one member short on our Endowment committee! If this interests you, please email Bob Hazlett at robhazaz@gmail.com to setup a meeting to discuss the work and duties of the committee. (It is a three year term, and currently, we are only meeting quarterly on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm.)

CHILDREN WELCOME!

Children are always welcome at worship! If you are concerned that your little one needs to run off energy, our Church Nursery would be happy to help during Sunday worship services! At the sanctuary, the nursery is by the Lamb sign. At Family Life Center, nursery is Preschool Rm 109.



Trinity Lutheran Church

CHRIST-CENTERED • BIBLE-BASED • FAMILY-FOCUSED

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CROSS TRAINING

Sunday school for all ages

JOIN US Sundays at 10:15!
NO CLASS ON NOVEMBER 27

3s-Kinder: Julie & Daniel Dodson and Elli Guiney, Marshall Cantrell, & Ms. Laura (Room 106)

1-3-grade: Zack Nelson (Founder's Hall)

4-6-grade: Bruce Rogers (Adult Classroom)

7-8-grade, High School/SR Youth:

Travis & Lindsey Guiney (The LIGHT Lounge)

Adults: Janet Sienkiewicz (Boardroom)

Lesson 10: A FIERY MARVEL

Three Men in the Fiery Furnace • Text: Daniel 3

BIBLE TRUTH: God is with us.

LAW & GOSPEL: In sin, I choose what makes the world, my flesh, and the devil happy. Through Word and Sacrament, God sustains me in my troubles and assures me of life with Him forever.



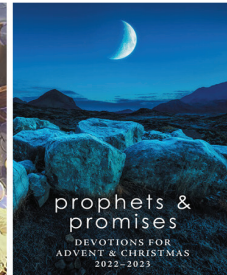
It's An Advent Tradition

Daily Video Devotions are BACK!

New videos will be posted each morning throughout Advent beginning November 27, right around 3am.

You'll definitely want to SUBSCRIBE to get an alert when a new video is posted!

- **Children & Families:** Counting to Christmas --> tinyurl.com/yukd94a6
- **Tweens & Teens:** Prophets and Promises --> tinyurl.com/yubxtt79
- **Everyone** A Son is Given by Lutheran Hour Ministries --> tinyurl.com/47sb3rkb



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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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