

Men of Faith

Our men's group is studying the official teachings of the Lutheran Church in the "Book of Concord." It is a casual time of study and friendship! You are welcome to join us; we meet on **Tuesdays at 630pm** in the Adult classroom just off the narthex of the sanctuary.

Rev. Daryl Robarge

Pastor Robarge died last fall at his daughter's home on the east coast. The family is having a memorial service for him at Apostle's Lutheran Church (7020 W Cactus Rd, Peoria, AZ) on **Friday**, **February 16th at 5:00pm.** Prior



to retiring and coming to Trinity, Pastor Robarge was Apostle's long time pastor. Pastor Bolte is officiating the service, and you are welcome to attend.

Debbie Blau

Debbie Blau died unexpectedly this past December. A memorial service will be held here at Trinity on **Saturday, February 17th at 10:00am.** Debbie was on our school faculty since 2017, and very active in the congregation. A reception will



be hosted by the school faculty following the service.

OASIS BIBLE STUDY & CONFIRMATION

Every Wednesday from 6:30pm-7:45pm thru May. Pastor will lead the **Adult Bible Study** in the Church.

CONFIRMATION

Mondays, 6:30pm-7:30pm • 8th grade Wednesdays, 6:30pm-7:45pm 4th/5th grade, 6th grade, and 7th grade

SUPERBOWL SUNDAY

There will be NO 6:00pm service on February 11th.



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.)

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.

HOW TO LISTEN TO A SERMON

HOW CAN YOU LIVE A HOLY LIFE?

In the sermon, you will hear how the Gospel of the Lord Jesus changes your life and motivates you to live a holy and godly life. This is called "sanctification", and it is a fruit of the Gospel. What application point is being made for your life? How does the Scripture apply to your life? How does the love of Christ show itself in your vocations? How can you live a sanctified life, set apart and holy through faith in Christ? Be sure to learn how to live a sanctified, Christian life.

AMOS

Calling all seniors! You are invited to a time of great Christian fellowship and fun. We meet every second and fourth Wednesday of the month. We start at 10AM. Activities include devotions, games, and recognition of February birthdays.

Bring your own lunch.

The reason His Church gathers together in worship each week is because the risen Christ comes to teach and feed His People. What He did visibly in the 40 days between His resurrection and ascension He now does invisibly until His second coming.

The Blessings Of Weekly Communion, Kenneth W. Wieting, p.20

Why we worship each week

You don't "come to church" in order to do something for God. That's completely backwards. He doesn't need a thing you've got or can do; But you need Him. You need His Word. You need it more than you need food or water, light and air. "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that comes from the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4) . . . We realize that our loving Heavenly Father assembles us together first and foremost so that He might do something for us, to impart to us a share in real life, the life that is in His Son. He assembles us to fill us with His joy and His peace and to let us bask in His amazing love. That is, He gathers us together as the Church in order to speak His Word to us; and that Word, alive with the power of the Holy Spirit, changes absolutely everything. Thank, Praise, Serve, And Obey, W.C. Weedon, pages 12-13

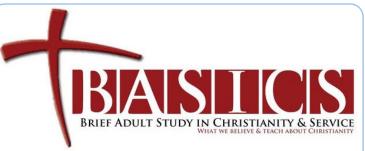
There are many ways to support Trinity Lutheran Church. Take a look!

Electronic Giving: Visit our Website at: Trinitylcs.org and click on the "Giving" tab. There are step by step instructions to help you set up your account.

Bill Pay: This is an automatic online Bill Payment Transaction through your Banking Institution to Trinity Lutheran Church.

Traditional Offering Envelopes: Offering envelopes are a confidential, secure way to give that allows us to keep a record of your giving for personal and tax purposes. The 2024 Offering envelopes are available for pick-up in the Church Narthex and in the FLC. If you would like envelopes, but have not signed up for them please contact Amy Thursam in the Business Office. 623-935-4665 ext 215 or athursam@trintiylcs.org *Please remember to use black or blue ink to write your checks. Other inks undetectable by our check reader.*

Trinity is hard at work to ensure your generous gifts to share the Gospel are processed accurately and as quickly as possible.



New Member Class: BASICS

Our next New Member Class will be running from Feb 18 – March 24! This 6-week class meets on Sunday afternoons from 4:30–-5:30pm in the Adult Classroom. This class is the route to membership here at Trinity. It is a concise review of the key doctrines of the Christian faith, and a good chance to meet new people! Please RSVP Pastor (dbolte@trinitylcs.org) if you plan to attend so he can make sure to have enough resources on hand!



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!

CROSS Training!
NEW LESSONS...SAME WORD
NEW BIBLE DISCOVERIES...SAME FAITH



NEWS from the LWML

Feb. 11: Mite Box Sunday

Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday



Feb. 17: Setup for "Adopt a Missionary Brunch" 1-3pm Feb. 18: Adopt a Missionary Brunch in Founders Hall Feb. 20, 27, March 5, 12, and 19: Lenten Suppers

5:30pm Founders Hall

"Adopt a Missionary Brunch Sponsored by LWML" For All Members and Guest of Trinity Lutheran Church When: Founders Hall February 18, starting at 8:30am We are adopting Amy Formella (LBT) and the South Sudan Projects. All funds raised will be divided between these missionaries.

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



This picture was taken during one of the most important series of meetings that we've ever had as a congregation. In 1998, Trinity went through a series of Congregational Strategic Planning workshops and meetings with the Lutheran Church Extension Fund. Along with a determined effort and commitment to outreach and growth; we started on the path of an aggressive and much needed building program we simply called "Phase I." As the Lord led, we built the first classroom building (the "300" building), the Church offices, and added worship seating to the Sanctuary. In tandem with this, we pursued talks with SunCor about purchasing additional land for future growth in mission and ministry, made a commitment to Lutheran Education from Preschool to the 8th grade, and conducted our first Capital Funding Drive. It was during this time also that we added two additional worship services, continued to add grades to the school, entered the vicarage program, grew in worship, and brought on new staff.

Calling God's people to prayer!

Prayers for our leaders of the church, of our cities, states and nation.

We shake our heads at all the problems and evil in the world. Turn your worry or disgust or sorrow into a prayer every time when you watch the news or see another act of violence on your newsfeed. Let's live Hebrews 4:16 "Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

UNDERSTANDING THE ABSOLUTION

Sometimes visitors in a Lutheran service of worship are surprised to hear in the general confession and absolution our pastors saying: "Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Our Lutheran Confessions help us to understand why our pastors speak this way: "It is not the voice or word of the man who speaks it, but it is the Word of God, who forgives sin, for it is spoken in God's stead and by God's command" (AC XXV.3).

Absolution is the Lord's life-giving, sure and certain word that does for us what no surgery, medicine, therapy, counseling, or advice can do for us. The Lord's Word of Absolution doesn't cover up or hide our sin. Nor does it give us only a temporary relief that soon fades away. Our Lord's word of absolution reconciles us to God the Holy Trinity.

What About Confession and Absolution? Dr. A .L. Barry, President The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod Whoever believes and holds to Christ's Word, heaven stands open to him, hell is shut, the devil is imprisoned, sins are forgiven, and he is a child of eternal life. That is what this book teaches you -- the Holy Scripture -- and no other book on earth.

Martin Luther (WA 48:155)

Prayer of the Week

Lord Jesus, thank you for crushing Satan's head for us by your death on the cross. We rejoice that you have set us free from his power, including death and even the fear of death. Help us to understand our status in your eyes, that we belong to you and live in your Kingdom. Send your Holy Spirit so that we might live holy and godly lives glorifying our Father in Heaven. Amen!

Sunday Morning – 8:45 Bible Study

The Book of Acts is being 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.

2024 Offering Envelope

The 2024 Offering envelopes are available for pick-up in the Church Administration Office. If you would like envelopes, but have not signed up for them please contact Amy Thursam in the Business Office. Envelopes are helpful in streamlining the counting process and ensuring proper donation credit. Thank you for supporting Trinity Lutheran Church.







Trinity Lutheran Church CHRIST-CENTERED • BIBLE-BASED • FAMILY-FOCUSED



Meet the teachers 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.

Meet Mrs. Apolinar, Third Grade teacher

This is Elisa Apolinar's first year at Trinity. She has taught eleven years in both public and private schools. She took some time off of teaching to enjoy her children and then returned to the classroom. Mrs. Apolinar is a Grand Canyon University alumni and holds a BA in Elementary Education and a M.Ed.

in Teaching English as a Second Language. She is a proud military wife and mom of three children: Martin, Gabriel, Thalia, who attend Trinity Lutheran School. Mrs. Apolinar enjoys reading, hiking, and spending time with family. She has experienced firsthand just how amazing Trinity is and feels truly blessed to be a part of the Trinity Lutheran School family. Mrs. Apolinar is enjoying a wonderful school year filled with milestones and special memories!

Meet Mrs. Dominguez, Third Grade teacher



Mrs. Stephanie Dominguez was born in Southern California and moved to Arizona in 2006. She worked in the Litchfield School District where she taught fourth grade for five years and third grade for one. She is excited to be joining the Trinity family. She received her Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education with an Emphasis in Mathematics from Grand Canyon University. She then went on to

earn her Master's Degree in Elementary Education from Northern Arizona University. Mrs. Dominguez married her high school sweetheart, Tom. Together they have two daughters--Sophia, and Isabella. They also have a dog named Daisy, a cat named Chloe, and a fish named Grape. During her free time, Mrs. Dominguez loves working on photography, reading, and watching movies with her family.

Questions about Trinity School?

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Women's Bible Study

Our Monday night Bible Study will now be "The Stripes That Heal" by Donna Snow. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 7pm. Our next meeting will be Feb. 5th, led by Karen Frusti.

COLLECTING OLD TRINITY PHOTOS!

The 50th Anniversary Team created a shared Google photo album as a "dump" for TLC photos that might be of interest in a photo album. Feel free to add photos you might have of Trinity people, events, correspondence, etc, and please share the link with anyone else who might be interested in contributing! If you need to scan pictures, we can do it! Please let the church office know.



Here is the link for your photos: https://photos.app.goo.gl/iaRYkSEF7HYPwk7Y8

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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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