

Manna from Heaven



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Look for Ms. Laura during Lent!

Lenten Season #8 of Daily Video Devotions

- **Children & Families:** My Devotions
Each day we'll read the Bible and pray together!
--> www.bit.ly/3I13sGK
- **Tweens & Teens:** Man of Sorrows, People of Joy
This Lenten season, behold the man—the man who suffered, died, and rose again for you.
--> www.bit.ly/3X2Pp80
- **Everyone:** Promised Treasures
Each week of Lent, we'll journey to concretely see, smell, touch, and taste several biblical elements.
--> www.bit.ly/40B8C3N

This is the time of fulfillment.
The Kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent and believe in the Gospel.
MARK 1:15

**Midweek Lenten services
continue each Tuesday at 7pm**

Pre-service meals will be served by
Trinity's Teens from 5:45-6:45. Join Us!

Lent 2023 — Trinity Lutheran Church and School
Litchfield Park, AZ 85340

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.

PRE-SERVICE MEALS IN LENT

YOU'RE INVITED TO DINNER!

EACH TUESDAY IN LENT • 5:45PM - 6:45PM

FREEWILL DONATION

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS OUR HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH WHO WILL BE ATTENDING CHAMP CAMP THIS SUMMER IN COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO

MEET US IN FOUNDERS HALL

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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*

Part-Time Positions Available

Are you looking for a part-time job and love working with God's little ones? Trinity Lutheran Church and School has options for you! We are looking for staff members in our preschool, child care, and nursery. Hours range from very part-time (3-6 hours per week) to 20 hours per week.

If you are interested, please email Heather Chapman our Early Childhood Director & Nursery Coordinator HChapman@TrinityLCS.org

We look forward to meeting you and seeing what God has planned!



"There is no such thing as standing still in Christianity. Whether a believer marches forward or merely marks time depends much on his connection with God's Word. God's deep truths are not revealed to the casual, careless reader but to the careful, constant one. Regardless of how hectic our life is or how fast each day flies by, we need to find regular opportunity for serious Bible study."

Hebrews, R.E. Lauersdorf, PBC, p.54

Portals of Prayer

The Portals of Prayer for the April-June Quarter are in the entryway at both worship centers.



Suitcases for Africa!

Pastor Bolte is looking for 3 suitcases to take to Africa (and leave there!). If you have an old suitcase that you'd like to get rid of, here's an opportunity! **Please let him know!**

Mission Moment

NOW is the Time!
EASTER is great time to invite people to church!

Almost everyone on earth has thought about death in the last two years. Show the LIFE GIVER!! Show them JESUS!! There are 2 easy ways you can invite friends and family to church. On the Usher's Table, there are two cards with Easter service times. One is to pass person to person. Tuck them in your neighbors' doors or hand to a friend over coffee. Deliver to family with treats for the children! The 2nd card is a postcard with space for an address and a letter stamp so you can mail it. Or write a short note: "Meet ya at Church!" "I would love to have you come with me!"



AmazonSmile

A Way to Help Trinity spread the Good News of the Gospel!

What is AmazonSmile?

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We thank you for considering Trinity Lutheran Church & School as the recipient of your AmazonSmile charity of choice.

Two Messages from the LWML

TODAY, March 12: LWML Mission Mite Sunday

Attention Ladies, our next LWML meeting will be March 18th. Guest speaker will be from Thrivent.

If you plan to attend -- YAY -- please RSVP with Martha Mueller MMueller@TrinityLCS.org

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Women's Monday Night Bible Study

Join Us! We are studying the book of Psalms on the first and third **Mondays at 7 pm in Founders Hall**. All women are welcome and invited to join!

For more information call Karen Onstad at 623-935-4589 or Karen Frusti at 602-828-2268.

AMOS = A Ministry of Seniors

AMOS meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays each month. Meet us in Founder's Hall from 10am-1pm. Our next AMOS meeting will be on March 22 in Founder's Hall from 10am-1pm. It is a fun time of study, games, and fellowship. *Bring a sack lunch.*

OASIS BIBLE STUDIES & CONFIRMATION

Every Wednesday from 6:30pm-7:45pm thru May 10. 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

Want to serve on the Board of Elders?

We have openings on the Board of Elders! This is a 2-year term that will be elected at the congregation meeting on June 4, 2023. If you are interested in serving and want more details, please see/email Pastor Bolte (DBolte@tTrinityLCS.org). We will set up a meeting to go over the work of the Elders!

Are you getting emails from Pastor?

Please send your email to Pastor & he will get you on the list: DBolte@TrinityLCS.org

Sunday Morning-- 8:45 Bible Study

The Gospel according to St. Luke 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.

Why go to the Lord's Supper?

But those who are mindful of their weakness desire to be rid of it and long for help. They should regard and use the Sacrament just like a precious antidote against the poison that they have in them. Here in the Sacrament you are to receive from the lips of Christ forgiveness of sin. It contains and brings with it God's grace and the Spirit with all His gifts, protection, shelter, and power against death and the devil and all misfortune. So you have, from God, both the command and the promise of the Lord Jesus Christ. Besides this, from yourself, you have your own distress, which is around your neck. Because of your distress this command, invitation, and promise are given. This ought to move you. For Christ Himself says, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick" [Matthew 9:12]. In other words, He means those who are weary and heavy-laden with their sins, with the fear of death, temptations of the flesh, and of the devil. If, therefore, you are heavy laden and feel your weakness, then go joyfully to this Sacrament and receive refreshment, comfort, and strength [Matthew 11:28].

Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions, Large Catechism, Sacrament of the Altar, V.70ff

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!

Make a Joyful Noise this EASTER

You are invited to come sing with the Praise Team and Bells on Easter Sunday at the 9 and 10:15am services.

Rehearsals with the band will be on Saturdays at 8:30am in the FLC on March 11, 18, 25 (*you need to be at least one of these*).

There will be a combined rehearsal with the handbell team at 8:00am on April 1 & 8 (*you need to attend at least one of these*).

There is also an option to work on vocals on Mondays at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary on March 13, 20, 27 if you let Juliann know to expect you.

Come help us celebrate Christ's resurrection in song!



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)

Prayer of the Week

Bread of Life, Lord Jesus Christ, who came down from Heaven to give us eternal life. We thank you for the faith to know and believe in You. You praise you for the gift of Holy Communion, which is Manna from Heaven for us.

We pray that you sustain and strengthen us as we journey in this life, keeping our focus on You, Your Holy Word, and on Your Kingdom. Amen!

Ask our SR Youth about...

...their upcoming Summer Servant Trip: CHAMP CAMP
In June of 2023, Trinity's High School Youth will discover true worth and potential; gain confidence through positive friendships, new life skills and growing passions; and most of all, deepen their faith in God through the love of Jesus at Camp Lutherhaven's Champ Camp in Couer d'Alene, ID.

Champ Camp is a chance for children and youth with special needs to come and experience all that camp has to offer. The Champ Campers our teens will work alongside have a wide variety of special needs and are looking for caring servant friends during their time at camp.



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This is a
YUM(FUND)-RAISER!

THANK YOU for supporting the Mission and Ministry of our Youth here at Trinity Lutheran Church and School!

Our goal with this YUM-raiser is to raise money equal to the cost of one youth attending to Champ Camp this summer, \$950

- 1 Eat M&Ms
- 2 Fill with Quarters
- 3 Return to Trinity Youth
or Ms. Laura/Trinity Staffer by March 12



Each time you put a quarter in the tube, or eat some M&M's, say a prayer for our youth and chaperones attending Champ Camp this summer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CROSS TRAINING

Sunday school for all ages

JOIN US Sundays at 10:15!

NEW UNIT! Lesson 10: THE MATTHEW MATTER
Jesus Calls Matthew • Matthew 9:9-13

BIBLE TRUTH: God calls us to serve Him.

LAW & GOSPEL: If I say I have no sin, I deceive myself and the truth is not in me. Jesus is the friend of sinners. He is faithful and just to forgive my sins and to



Chad Bird

April 21-22, 2023

Walking Backward to Bethlehem
How Christ Permeates the Old Testament

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

SAVE THE DATE!

We are hosting a special Bible Seminar on April 21-22, 2023! Chad Bird from 1517.org will be with us to lead us in a Christological look at the Old Testament! Chad is an LCMS seminary caliber teacher who has written several books and hosts two podcasts. This will be a Friday night/Saturday morning seminar and it will be excellent!

Plan NOW to Attend • MARK IT DOWN ON YOUR CALENDAR
Register today at TrinityLCS.org

Questions about Trinity School?

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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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