

The Transfiguration

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This week in Pastor Bolte's Bible Studies!



Why is everything "vanity and chasing after the wind"?

(We are studying King Solomon's book "Ecclesiastes")
Tues@11am in Founder's Hall



What does Jesus mean when He urgently says, "Be on Guard!"

(We are studying the Gospel of Mark)
Wednesday@630pm in the Sanctuary

→ Come And Join Us! ←

*This is an opportunity for you to become ever more
Biblically literate and Doctrinally sound!*



Are you a member of Thrivent Financial who is eligible to direct Choice Dollars?

Did you know that you can direct your Choice Dollars to Trinity Lutheran Church or School? Directing Choice Dollars is easy. Simply call 800-847-4836 and say "thrivent choice" after the prompt or logon to www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice and make your selection or Choice Dollars charitable funds can make a big difference to Trinity.

*A heartfelt thank you to all of you
who direct your Choice Dollars to Trinity.
Your support is greatly appreciated.*

LCMS Foundation

TODAY | TOMORROW | FOREVER

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus long-term needs in our lives. In our culture, it is the "immediate" that receives the attention, resulting in us failing to plan for long-term needs. For example, if you are going to put an estate plan in place, it will cost money working with an attorney. Maybe you need new tires instead and that wins the contest. To deal with the long term, we need to plan for it and prioritize. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can meet with you, without cost, to begin thinking about the value of this long-range planning. Contact LCMS Foundation Senior Gift Counselor Brian Hyde at 209.613.2125 or brian.hyde@lfnd.org; or Harley Britton at harleyanddeb@msn.com or call the Church office 623.935.4665 to get started!

Sunday Morning-- 8:45 Adult Bible Study

Join Rev. Les Self in the Founders Hall!

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.

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

AMOS

Calling ALL seniors to attend **AMOS** [A Ministry Of Seniors] *SENIOR: Definition: a person older than another.* Trinity's ministry to 'people who are older than another' is called **AMOS**. **AMOS** will meet, Wednesday, 3/12/25 at 10am in Founders Hall. Hope to see you all there. Bring your lunch and a friend.

WE'VE GOT EXCITING NEWS!!

Workout and Word with Janet Sienkiewicz

Join us for two one-hour training sessions each week, combining fitness and faith! Drawing on her experience as a personal trainer, Janet will lead sessions on:

- Mondays: 2:45-3:45 PM
- Wednesdays: 7:45-8:45 AM

Janet says, "Let me know if you're interested in participating by emailing JSienkiewicz@trinitylcs.org or texting (623) 341-6482. Also, please contact me if you have dumbbells you're willing to donate for the workouts. Looking forward to getting stronger together, physically and spiritually!"

SAVE THE DATE!

APRIL 4-5, 2025

Sharing the faith can be intimidating. What if I say something wrong? What if I don't know the answers to their objections? How would I even get the conversation started? Pastor Erick Sorensen spent years talking to strangers about the gospel as a church planter in NYC and, he's coming to share some tips he learned so that you too can share a cup of coffee with skeptics and share the gospel.



Tickets are available on Trinity's website at www.trinitylcs.org (follow the link on the picture). Tickets will be available on Sunday, February 15th if you prefer to purchase in person. Ticket sales will be available to Trinity members and friends only until March 10th when we will open registration to other circuit congregations.

For \$25/person, tickets include a wine and cheese reception Friday evening from 6pm - 7pm, Session 1 from 7pm until 8pm. Breakfast and juice bar Saturday morning from 8am - 9am, Sessions 2, 3, and 4 from 9am until noon and catered lunch at noon.

Plan now to attend this special seminar and bring a friend (or two!) as Pastor Erick Sorensen leads us through this excellent Bible study.

Got kids? Need childcare? Contact Andi to make arrangements amcdonald@trinitylcs.org or 623.935.4665 ext 213.

Want to Serve on a Board?

We are currently looking for (1) "At-large" member for the Board of Directors, (2) new Elders, and (1) Endowment Committee member. The first step in the process is to meet with the chairman of the respective board and Pastor Bolte did discuss the position. If this is something you want to, contact Pastor Bolte and he will arrange the meeting.

Newsletter Articles

To submit an article for the newsletter, email to newsletter@trinitylcs.org. The deadline for article submission is Wednesday at noon.

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

Somebody Got the Wiggles?

While we love little ones in worship with us, sometimes they just need a change of scenery. Child care is available for children 3 and under at all morning services and for other events as well (Oasis, BASICS, etc), just give us a heads up, and we'll schedule it! Contact Andi (623.935.4665 ext 213 or amcdonald@trinitylcs.org)

Valley Lutheran High School

is Hiring!

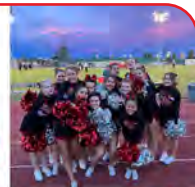
Join our growing dynamic ministry team!

We're hiring for the following 2025-26 school year positions:

- Admissions & Marketing Director
- Math Teacher

▶▶ Learning, Serving, Sharing Christ

CONTACT
TIM GAST
TGAST@VLHS.ORG
602-230-1600 X118



!!*TRIVIA*!!

The Tournament of Champions is set!

Congratulations to the "Lucky Guessers" who guessed their way into the lead to edge out "The Hopefuls" at the last Trinity Trivia event! They will advance to the Tournament of Champions where they will face "Luther's Brewmasters" from December's challenge and "The Trinity Cruisers" who won the January challenge. If you were on any of the three winning teams, this is your time to show up and shine! March 22, 6pm on the FLC patio. If you missed out on any of the previous rounds or just want to join us, feel free to come and join any of the teams (they're all winners!). If you just want to come and enjoy some wine and cheese and sit back and watch or cheer on your favorite team, you are MOST welcome!! Sign up at the Welcome Center or online at <https://www.trinitylcs.org/event/trinity-trivia-night/> Questions? Contact Andi on Sunday mornings, at amcdonald@trinitylcs.org, or call 623.935.4665 ext 213!



NEW BIBLE STUDY!

We **JUST** started a new Bible study on the Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes. This is one of King Solomon's wisdom books, as He is the "Teacher" (=Ecclesiastes) of Isreal. You are welcome to join us as we meet in Founder's Hall for an hour to study God's Holy Word! Bring your Bible; study notes will be provided (and if you need a Bible, Pastor will give you one for free!)

OASIS Bible Study & Confirmation

Every Wednesday from 6:30pm-7:30pm 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 Alec Gnam.

CONFIRMATION

Mondays, 6:30pm-7:45pm
Senior Confirmation - Pastor Bolte, Adult Classroom

Wednesdays, 6:30pm-7:30pm
5th/6th grades -Charlene Nichol, Adult Classroom
7th grade - Ruth Fisher, Founders' Hall

Prayer of the Week

*Jesus, You are our God and our Lord.
We thank You for showing us Your glory in the Transfiguration. We thank You for faith to know and believe Who You are, that You are God and Man in one Person. We praise You for the faith to know and believe in the freedom You have given to us through Your own death and resurrection. Help us to trust in You and Your work for us, and to live in freedom of the gospel throughout our lives. As You are the Light of the World, work in us so that we may let our light shine into the lives of other people. Amen!*

NEWS from the LWML

We would like to thank everyone for coming out and supporting our Missionary Brunch. Also thank you to all the Ladies who made food. It was a great success.

Our next LWML meeting will be March 15 th at 1 pm. in Fellowship Hall.

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.



Mark your calendars for an incredible week of fun, faith, and fellowship during Vacation Bible School the second week of June!

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help plan and participate. If you'd like to join in making this event a success, please reach out:

Email: jsienkiewicz@trinitylcs.org
Text: (623) 341-6482



Save the date! Sunday, March 16 @1:00pm

The SR Youth are hosting a kick-off for their March Madness Bracket Challenge Fundraiser.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend to support and/or join in the fun!

Free Throw Contest, Knockout Game, Three Point Shooting Contest, dribbling races.



Trinity Lutheran Church

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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!

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



Questions about Trinity School?

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Meet Some of Our Staff

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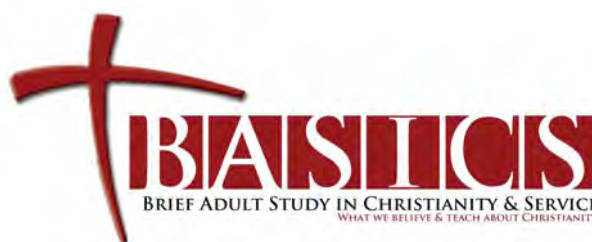
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TODAY --> New Member Class: BASICS

Our next New Member Class is running from TODAY, March 2 - April 6! 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 with Pastor (dholte@trinitylcs.org) or Andi (amcdonald@trinitylcs.org) if you plan to attend so we can make sure to have enough resources on hand!

Monday Night • Women's Bible Study

All women are invited to our new study on Psalm 139 is called "I Surrender" by Donna Snow (an LWML Publication). We meet the 1st & 3rd Monday nights 6:45-8pm in Founders Hall. We hope you can join us!

Trinity is accepting applications for substitute teachers for the 24-25 school year!

If you have a passion for working with children and youth as you serve in this role, please send your resume to abeaver@trinitylcs.org



Requirements include:
bachelor's degree, valid fingerprint clearance card, flexible schedule, and teaching cert.

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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