

This week in

Pastor Bolte's Bible Studies!



How does King Solomon teach us to understand the government?



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

What is the irony that Jesus is the "King of the Jews"?

(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!

Easter is coming, and we are expecting lots of guests, members, and visitors for worship that morning. A light breakfast, juice, and coffee will be available to welcome everyone as we gather to celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead with each other. If you are available to help by coming a little early or staying a little later to help set up, ensure things stay well stocked, and/or help clean up, please let Andi know by phone 623.935.4665 ext 213, email AMcDonald@TrinityLCS.org or between services.

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We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. Part of that tension flows from immediate needs versus longterm needs in our lives. You can list the members of your family today, but what happens to inheritance if family situations change? What happens if one of your children gets married or a grandchild is born, and they are not listed in your will or trust? Your attorney can place language in your legal documents to address these matters. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can highlight the concerns you have with your attorney to ensure they are addressed. For assistance 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.



Change of Date for April LWML

Our LWML Ice Cream Social for April has been changed to April 12th at 1pm in Founders Hall

TRINITY QUILTERS

Trinity Quilters will be meeting on Saturday, April 5th from 10am - 2pm. Please join us if you already know how to make a quilt or would like to learn to make a quilt. Come all or part of the time. Bring your lunch as we do take a break. These quilts are being made for charity. We have all the supplies. You can just help us on Saturday or take things home and bring them back. If you would like to join us, please call Marie at 623-935-4770 for the address. If you have questions about quilting, call Shirley at 602-316-9710.

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!

Portals of Prayer

The April-June Portals of Prayer are available in the entryway of both worship centers.

Join us for Lenten Meals hosted by SR Youth every Tuesday at 5:30 PM! Come together for a delicious and meaningful time of fellowship during this season of reflection. Here's the tasty lineup:

April 1: Salad Bar

April 8: Pulled Pork Sandwiches





CONGRATULATIONS to TWO Trinity Trivia teams for winning the Tournament of Champions last week. The **Trinity Cruisers** & the **Lucky Guessers** edged out Luther's Brewmasters for the final win of the series.

A special thank you to congregation president, Bob Hazlett for emcee'ing each month as well as providing thematic playlists for our listening enjoyment!

Also, a big thanks to Steve McDonald for set up and clean up duties each time. You are much appreciated!

And finally, thanks to everyone who came out to mix, mingle, and match wits at Trinity Trivia!

When I am taking Holy Communion,

Here is what I am thinking ...

- 1. This is a gracious and compassionate Miracle Mark 14:22
- 2. This is the Real Presence: Christ is really present in bread and wine
- 3. This is the Oral, Sacramental Eating of Christ's body and blood
- 4. This is a Means of Grace: visible, individual, actual
- 5. This is for the Forgiveness of my sins Matt 26:26-28
- 6. This is for Eternal Life John 6:51
- 7. This is the guarantee of Resurrected Life John 6:54
- 8. Christ Abides in Me and I in Him John 6:56
- 9. This is the Bread of Life from Heaven John 6:35-40
- 10. This is **NOT** the time to think of sins; but focus on **Grace**.
- 11. I am in Fellowship with other Christians 1 Cor 10:14-17
- 12. I will leave determined to live a Holy Life

Want More Detail in the Sermon?

Get a printed hard copy of the sermon from the information counter!

Frequently, Pastor Bolte will add footnotes that highlight the thought, add to it, or add some interesting background.

Electronic copies of the sermon are also available in the weekly email and online under the "info center" tab at www.trinitylcs.org

Use this time to grow in faith and become ever more Biblically literate and Doctrinally sound!

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

God the Father, we thank You for Your great love for us that You sent Your Son to be our Savior, knowing that He would be lifted up on a cross and crucified for us and our salvation. Send us the Holy Spirit so that we may look to Christ in faith and believe. Deepen our conviction and confidence so that we can live with assurance and peace throughout our lives. We ask this in the Name of Jesus who is lifted up for us, Amen.

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 and maybe I can give you ideas. Call me: Ruth Fisher 480-235-1473



Death of a Christian

Because of our baptism into the living, life giving body of Jesus, the Christian view of death is also radically different from that of the world. Disciples of Jesus die long before they die. Paul expresses it this way: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the father, we too might walk in newness of life" (Rom 6:3-4). . . Baptism is therefore our major death, major burial, and major funeral in life. It is "major" in two ways. One, by baptism the father deals with all our major problems: sin, death, shame, guilt, alienation, condemnation. Two, Baptism gives us no minor gift but the major gift of new life, new peace, New Hope, all in Jesus our Lord. . . Our physical death, therefore, which seems like The End to the world, is simply a minor portal through which we leave this visible world to be with Christ in Paradise, Where we will await "the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come" (Nicene Creed).

Limping with God, Chad Bird, p. 155



Mission Moment

Where is God in my week?
Did I leave Him at church?!
Or do I let Him open my heart
to hear Him all day/week long?!
How am I listening to His Word?
How could I talk to God
throughout the day?



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





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

You're Invited to sing with the Praise Team and the Handbell choir on Easter Sunday!

Practices JUST started in the FLC at 8am and will continue every Saturday morning until Easter. We will be leading worship on Easter Sunday at the 9:00am and 10:15am services in the FLC and the 6:00pm service outside in the courtyard by the sanctuary. Let Juliann know you are interested so she can have music prepared for you!

AMOS

Calling ALL seniors to attend **AMOS** [**A** Ministry **O**f **S**eniors] *SENIOR: Definition: a person older than another.* Trinity's ministry to 'people who are older than another' is called **AMOS. AMOS** will meet, Wednesday, 4/9/25 at 10am in Founders Hall. Hope to see you all there. Bring your lunch & a friend.

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.

Questions about Trinity School?

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Meet Some of Our Staff

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Workout and Word with Janet Sienkiewicz

Weight lifting class for all levels.

Have you joined in yet?? We have 22 members and we are growing! Come be part of the fun!

Lifting every week: Monday 3:00 pm Wednesday 8:00 am

Friday at 8:15 we will be meeting at the Victory Stairs in Verrado. Text Janet Sienkiewicz at 623-341-6482 or email jsienkiewicz@trinitylcs.org





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

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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