



Palm Sunday

APRIL 2, 2023

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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Easter at Trinity

HE IS

RISEN

**Come and rejoice with us in the hope
He has given to us of eternal life at
6am (outside), 7:30am, 9am,
10:15am, 11:30am, and 6pm (outside)
on Sunday, April 9**

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.



Chad Bird

April 21-22, 2023

Walking Backward to Bethlehem
How Christ Permeates the Old Testament

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

!!*THREE WEEKS TO GO*!!

2-Day event with Chad Bird

Friday, 6:30pm-8:30pm • Saturday, 9am-12pm

The plans are coming along wonderfully for the special congregational fellowship and study event with Chad Bird on April 21-22!! It is going to be a really nice time, I sure hope you can come! We will be learning to see Christ, the Son of God, in the Old Testament. There will be a fabulous charcuterie board on Friday night, a beautiful breakfast bar Saturday morning, and delicious Carrabbas Italian Grill catering our Saturday lunch to wrap up the event! All of this for only \$10!

Please sign up so that we can plan appropriately!
Register today at TrinityLCS.org



PRE-SERVICE MEETING

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
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
830 EAST PLAZA CIRCLE, MITCHELL PARK

~Trinity
SR Youth

Know the Facts - Make a Plan

Saturday, April 29th Jason May will return to continue his workshop discussing Wills, Trusts, Power of Attorney and other topics

We had a "standing room only" crowd in February and we are excited to have him return. He received high reviews from those present at his first workshop.

If you joined us in February- you are welcome to return. If you missed the previous workshop-this is your opportunity to **Know the Facts** about legal matters that are of utmost importance – then you can **Make a Plan**. There is no fee, but we are asking for a RSVP by Sunday, April 23 so we can plan appropriately.
JReynolds@TrinityLCS.org or 623-523-1158

Welcome to our Trinity Family

We have members from our latest B.A.S.I.C.S class being received at worship services today. We welcome: Cheryl Wagner, Carina Gibson, Thomas & Charlene Lear (7:30 service). Tattianna Nash (9:00 am) Kelly Hogan (10:15 service) Bob & Betty Parker, Carolyn Swartz (11:30) and Kathleen Wilde (6:00 pm).

Phil Larsen's New Address

2120 N Monroe St • Arlington, Virginia 22207

SPLASHING WITH JOY OVER BAPTISM!

One of my joys here at Trinity is to talk with families & 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



Prayer of the Week

Lord Jesus, today we celebrate Palm Sunday knowing that you entered Jerusalem to be our Savior. We thank you for your love that took you to a cross where you suffered and died for us and our salvation. We ask that You lead us to repentance, and keep us in the true faith, as we live as Your holy people. We thank You for opening our eyes of faith like you did for Bartimaeus. We thank you for your kindness that has led us to repentance like Zacchaeus. And we thank You that You have given us life --- spiritual, eternal, and resurrected life -- like Lazarus. By the power of the Holy Spirit, and to the glory of God the Father, we thank praise and honor You, our Lord and Savior, Amen!

Thrivent Financial Members: Please Read

Are you a member of Thrivent Financial who is eligible to direct Choice Dollars? Did you know **you can direct your Choice Dollars to Trinity Lutheran Church or School?**

Directing Choice Dollars is easy, simply go to Thrivent.com/thrivenchoice or call 800-847-4836 and say, "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

A heartfelt thank you to all of you who direct your choice dollars to Trinity. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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.)

"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. 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

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

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

NO CONFIRMATION CLASSES OR OASIS ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5TH

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

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.

SAVE THE DATE

Know the Facts Workshop - Jason May, Attorney at Law will return on Saturday, April 29!

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

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*

Nothing in all the world even comes close to the importance of gathering each week in the presence of the risen Christ to receive His gifts and respond in prayer and praise. The Word made flesh is present to teach us through His Word. The Word made flesh is present to feed us with His body and blood. This is where God, Who is everywhere, is present for us to bring forgiveness, life and salvation directly to us. *The Blessings Of Weekly Communion, Kenneth W. Wieting, p.21*

The AV team is looking

for people to help run the slides during our services on Sunday.

We will train you!

Contact Juliann at the church office or between services on Sunday.

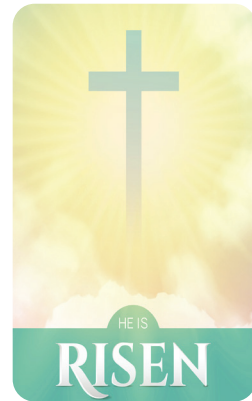


Mission Moment

NOW is the TIME!

Easter is a great time to invite people to church!

The world is an unsettled place right now. Show people the LIFE GIVER! Talk to friends and neighbors about JESUS! Tell them He conquered death for us and gives us hope now and forever! There is an easy way you can invite friends and family to church. Just grab a few "HE IS RISEN!" cards on the Usher's Table. You can hand them to your friends, or mail them. Tuck them in neighbors' doors. Deliver to families with sweet treats! Keep a couple in your car to give to others. Hand them to people who help you: landscapers and grocery store. Don't forget those who are lonely! Need more?! Call Ruth Fisher at 480-235-1473!



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)

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.



Trinity Lutheran Church

CHRIST-CENTERED • BIBLE-BASED • FAMILY-FOCUSED

Look for Ms. Laura during Lent!

!!*Last week of Devos for this Season*!!

- **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



SUNDAY SCHOOL



CROSS Training today? YES! at 10:15!

CROSS Training on Easter Sunday? No.

Last Class for 2022-2023 is April 30

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- 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)

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 (see below)



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

Questions about Trinity School?

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| Astraea Rohloff
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Meet Our Staff

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| Rev. Dave Bolte
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| Deaconess Ruth Fisher
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| Laura Nelson
Dir. of Children & Youth Ministries
LNelson@TrinityLCS.org | |

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
 School: 623.935.4690 • Church: 623.935.4665