

## 2024 CONFIRMATION CLASS!

Next week at the 11:30 Worship Service, 4 of our youth will be confirmed in their faith Confirmation is a 4 year program where they learn the Old Testament, New Testament, and Lutheran Theology. They become acquainted with Holy Scripture and Martin Luther's Small Catechism. Our goal is to put the Teachings of Jesus in their ears and the Name of Jesus on their lips so that the Holy Spirit can build Faith in Jesus in their hearts! Our fervent prayer is that our youth grow to become Biblically Literate, Doctrinally Sound, Passionately Engaged, and Mission Minded disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ! Please pray for these youth, and if you know any of them, acknowledge them somehow!



# **MAY 12, 19, 26 SERVICES**

Please note that all services for these three Sundays will be in the Sanctuary.

The styles of worship will remain, just the location is changing. We will return to our regular schedule & locations on June 2. Thank you for being flexible!

## **TLC MINISTRY PLAN**

The annual TLC Mission and Ministry Review is now available on the information centers of both the Sanctuary and the Family Life Center. This Ministry Plan is prepared in preparation for the Annual Congregational meeting on Sunday, June 2nd at 12:45pm in the Sanctuary. In addition, the Slate of Officers are posted in it that will be voted on at the congregational meeting. Please take one, read through it, and keep us in your prayers! It is by God's grace alone that we are able to do so much in His Kingdom!

## **Women's Bible Study**

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

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.

## **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



# **CROSS Training** Sunday School for all Ages Join us! Sundays at 10:15

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** 



## CHILDREN WELCOME!

Children are always welcome at worship! If you are concerned that your little one needs to run off energy, our Church Nursery would be happy to help during Sunday worship services! At the sanctuary, the nursery is by the Lamb sign. At Family Life Center, nursery is Preschool Rm 109.

## 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. 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

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

## Dear friends at Trinity.

We have thought long and hard about relocating to Sturgis, SD and the Black Hills. With God's help, we pray we have made the right decision. We have worshiped at Trinity for 30 years and have lost and made many wonderful friends. We will miss you all. Pastor Bolte and all of you have provided us with a better knowledge in our faith in Christ.

Next winter when the snow is falling, we will think of you all, however with the warmth of family and friends we will be fine.

Thank you and God's blessing to you all. Harriet & Duane Quail

#### **AMOS**

**Calling All Seniors!** Our next get together will be Wednesday, May 8th, at 10am, in Founders Hall. Bring your sack lunch and a friend. Hope to see you all there!

## **Prayer of the Week**

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, our Christian life is a paradox; a constant battle between our sinful nature and the new man that you created. We thank you for living within us and enabling us to overcome our sinful nature and live holy and godly lives. Help us to walk in your ways and to bear your fruit. We ask that you will strengthen us in our battle against sin, and lead, guide and direct us by Your Holy Word. We ask this in the Name of Jesus and to the glory of God the Father, Amen!

## 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

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 are joyfully to this 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

## **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

## 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! Ruth Fisher 480-235-1473 or RFisher@TrinityLCS.org



## **Angel Tree Committee**

Trinity's Angel Tree Committee is looking for a **treasurer!** Responsibilities include keeping tract of receipts, processing reimbursements, and collecting funds. This individual will be the liaison for communicating with Trinity's LWML. Simple ledger keeping to show income and expenses for Angel Tree is also expected. We would love to welcome our new teammate by August 2024. Next we need an event co-coordinator for the Craft Fair. Main responsibility is to be the liaison with the vendors. This person would walk through the process with the current coordinator for the 2024 event then be the primary vendor contact for the 2025 event. On-boarding for this position is urgent as Craft Fair plans are starting. Additionally we are seeking additional members who have a heart to "help those in our community who are in need at Christmas."

To learn more, please contact Ruth Fisher RFisher@TrinityLCS.org

## 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."

## Kami Pilon

Kami Pilon's memorial service will be today, April 28th at 2:00pm, with a reception following. Kami played the piano and led the music for our 6:00pm worship service. We thank the Lord for her faith and friendship; her gifts and service! Please keep her



daughter Nevaeh and parents Pastor Les and Sharon Self and their family in your prayers.

## **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.

#### THE SMALL CATECHISM

Tucked in the middle of the [Book of Concord] is the most widely used of all the Lutheran Confessions: Martin Luther's Small Catechism. Luther wrote this document not simply as a resource for the church and school, but, first and foremost, for the head of the household. Luther intended this little book to be used by laypeople, daily, to help them remain anchored in the solid teachings of God's holy word, the Bible. So keep this important fact in mind: The book of concord exists because of the faith and conviction of lav people, who risked their very lives in order to have these confessions produced, published, and distributed. The Book of Concord is a book for all Christians, church workers and laypeople alike. Concordia, The Lutheran Confessions, "Introduction ... with intrepid hearts", p.12 [slightly adapted] Men, come and join us on Tuesdays@6:30pm as we study the Book of Concord! See Pastor Bolte for more details!

#### **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



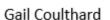


# Trinity Lutheran Church CHRIST-CENTERED • BIBLE-BASED • FAMILY-FOCUSED



In addition to the classroom teachers, the staff of Trinity includes a Child Care staff. Trinity offers a program of caring for children from the age of 12 months through elementary school age. Students enrolled in the school may receive care before and after school hours. The staff meets all of the State standards required and are committed to sharing the love of Jesus with the children and their families. This program makes it possible for young families to have their children cared for in a safe, loving and nurturing environment. The Child Care staff is a committed and caring group and much appreciated. The staff includes:







Melanie DeYager



Jesenia Gonzalez



Mary Ann Marquez

## 50th Anniversary Merch!

As part of Trinity's 50th Anniversary, the celebration committee is making available for purchase T-Shirts and Polos that feature this 50th Anniversary logo

embroidered on them. These shirts come in multiple styles: Men's, Ladies, Youth, Infant & Toddler in a wide assortment of colors and sizes. An insulated lunch cooler and two styles of bags of bags have been added, also.

The prices start at \$15.99 and are offered "at cost", there is no profit to the church if you order. This is a great opportunity to celebrate our 50th Anniversary throughout the year! Follow the link below or scan this QR code to see style the shirts and options, and to order. Be sure to check sizing information found with the 'Specifications' link for each product.



#### https://bit.ly/50AnniversaryShirts

If you have problems accessing the shopping cart on the site, *please try again...* we are working to get that fixed, pronto!

## Sunday Morning - 8:45 Bible Study

We're studdying The Book of Acts in Founders Hall across from the Sanctuary. Coffee, donuts & Christian community abundantly offered.

## **Questions about Trinity School?**

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## **Meet Our Staff**

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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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