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Jesus is the Christ!

Mission Moment

We come to God with empty hands. We have nothing to give as sinners. Jesus fills us up with forgiveness, love, mercy, peace, and joy!



"God has given us two hands, one to receive with and the other to give with." by Billy Graham

There are so many empty hearts out there in the world! Pass on God's love on to them! **Are you a helper?** Tell them why you help! "Jesus has been so good to me, I want to share this with everyone!!" **Are you a good listener?** Tell your friends that Jesus always listens and can fill their empty hearts and lives. **Do you like to tell stories?** Tell others how Jesus has freed you and filled you! **Invite friends** to come to be filled by Jesus! **Invite a neighbor or co-worker to church.**

DO YOU LOVE CHILDREN

- We are seeking gentle, loving people to care for our littles during Sunday Evening Worship 6pm – 7pm, Wednesday night Bible Study, and/or special services. This could be paid position or volunteer. *Contact Ruth Fisher!*
- Our preschool has a great reputation! We could use a few more loving arms to care all these preschoolers, too! Such a fun age! If you are looking for fulltime work, contact Heather Chapman! hchapman@trinitylcs.org

Arrived in Yambio!

The trip to Yambio was long! But it all worked out even though it had its expected hiccups and even two shake-downs at the Juba airport! The class is eager to learn, their English is all over the place, so we are repeating a lot! The age range is 18-35; from all parts of South Sudan and Sudan; many are young fathers with very young children; a couple are single. Most are farmers; one was a nurse, another a pharmacist, a couple were teachers, and one was a computer guy. *Pray for us as we gather around the Word to learn Theology!*



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.

July 'Let's Go' Fellowship Event

International Dinner Night and **'Let's Go'** announces its next activity. Going South-of-the-Border to Mexico to a colorful cantina for casual Mexican fare.

Manuel's Restaurant & Cantina will be the location of our next dinner for a casual atmosphere for good fellowship, food and fun. We will start at the usual 6:30 on July 28, the last Thursday in July.

Address: **Manuel's Restaurant & Cantina**, 13319 W McDowell Rd., Goodyear, 85395. Near the corner of Dysart and McDowell, Lowe's and Pennys are anchor stores in the strip mall. Please reserve your spot with Wilma Rupprecht by July 27: 630 888 4233

"Thank You!" from Elda Maynard

Thank you for the lovely card shower for my 92nd birthday. I received 54 cards! I enjoyed reading each of them and appreciate the cards I received from members I have never met. It was so kind of you to send a card and offer your blessing for me.

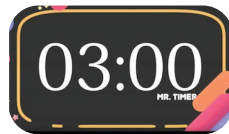
~Elda Maynard

We love our little ones!

During Sunday worship, the Church Nursery is open to little ones 4 and under. At the sanctuary, the nursery is by the Lamb sign. At the Family Life Center, the church nursery is in Preschool Room 109.

3-minute Mingle

For the next 3 minutes seek out a visitor or a person you don't know well and talk with them, then you can go and talk with your friends.



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

Newsletter Articles

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

Prayer of the Week

Lord Jesus, we are in the world but we are not of the world. We thank you for sending us the Holy Spirit so that we can live by faith and not by sight, so that we may love you and your Father in heaven rather than the things of this world. Please defend and protect us from all temptations to worldly ideas and ways. Help us to remain faithful to you as we journey through life living in this sinful and corrupt world. We pray this depending on your power alone, amen!

"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*

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

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How to choose your Charity?

Once signed into AmazonSmile, you will be prompted to pick a charity. You can choose one from the provided list or type in Trinity Lutheran Church or School. It's that easy. Once that is completed, a percentage of your purchase price on many, but not all items will be donated to Trinity. During future Amazon smile purchases the site will remember your charity.

We thank you for considering Trinity Lutheran Church & School as the recipient of your AmazonSmile charity of choice. Your donations make it possible for us to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

Thrivent Members: READ THIS!

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 Trinity Lutheran School? Directing Choice Dollars is easy. Simply go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt. *A heartfelt thanks to all of you who direct your Choice Dollars to Trinity. Your support is greatly appreciated.*

Friday Parenting Group

Friday Parenting Group is taking a pause during the month of JULY. Many are traveling or have family plans. Keep cool and enjoy! Let's keep in touch on facebook! Post how you keep your kiddos busy during hot summer days! Sign up with Ruth Fisher at RFisher@Trinitylcs.org

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 & maybe I can give you ideas. Call me Ruth Fisher, 480-235-1473 or RFisher@TrinityLCS.org*



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 the 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.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

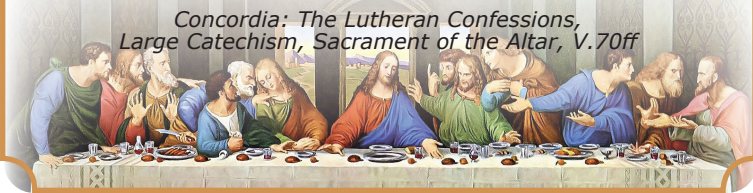
8:45 AM Adult Bible Study meets in Founder's Hall

We are currently studying the Letter to the Ephesians. The Study will continue to meet throughout the Summer. Donuts, coffee and amazing fellowship guaranteed.

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



AMOS = A Ministry of Seniors

AMOS meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays each month. Our next AMOS meeting will be on July 27 in Founder's Hall from 10am-1pm. It is a fun time of study, games, and fellowship. *Bring a sack lunch.*

10:30 Sunday Morning Bible Study

The 10:30am Bible Study will pause on July 3rd and 10th. We will resume on July 17th with our adventure as we discover "How we got the Bible!" You are welcome to join us in the Founder's Hall across from the church!

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

Trinity's Prison Ministry

God works in wonderful ways!

The same sermon you will hear today, will be read by six prisoners this next week or so. It all began with a Trinity member who knew someone sentenced to prison. She also knew where real hope comes from and the power to change – it comes from our Savior from sin, Jesus! So she prayed for him and sought ways to get the Gospel to him.

Every prison/jail has very strict regulations on what can be mailed to prisoners. All things are examined. She asked the prison if she could send Trinity's sermon. The man who received the sermons began a prayer circle with two others. She sent a worship service. The men began to use Trinity's worship service every week in the Prayer Circle. That Prayer Circle of 3 has now grown to 20! Behind locked gates, they use the same sermons and worship service we use each week! Please pray for these men.

SO IF THE SON
SETS YOU FREE,
YOU WILL BE
FREE INDEED.

JOHN 8:36



New Missionaries

Herman & Sheila Strozier

Herman and Sheila Strozier serve the Lord as LCMS missionaries in the Eurasia region, based in the Czech Republic. Pray for Herman and Sheila as they serve in the Eurasia region.



Pray God gives them strength, patience and peace as they transition to life overseas, learning the culture and the language. Ask God to strengthen them to boldly share the Gospel in their interactions with the other LCMS missionaries serving in this region, the local church partners and those in the community in which they live and work. Let us give thanks to God that the Stroziers are serving His children in this part of the world.

Seminarian Jeancarlos & Deaconess Caitlin Ramirez

Pray for the Ramirez family as they serve in the Dominican Republic. Caitlin writes, "Please pray for the transition to the Dominican Republic, to face with His strength the culture shock and with His joy the hardship of leaving behind family and friends. Pray for Jeancarlos' studies at the seminary and for my vocation working with the congregations."





Trinity Lutheran Church

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Vacant Land Sale Update

The sale of the vacant land is proceeding and some milestones have been accomplished:

- the escrow account has been established and \$15,000 has been released to the Church
- a survey of the property has been completed
- the Site Plan & Design Review Planning Application has been filed with the City of Avondale

Additionally, there have been conversations with the City of Avondale and it looks like there will be a left turn in from Indian School Road onto Plaza Circle. The left turn in from Dysart Road may not happen, but is still under discussion.

You can review documents at:
www.trinitylcs.org/info-center/land-sale-2022/

There are many ways to support Trinity Lutheran Church. Take a look!

Traditional Offering Envelopes:

You may participate in our traditional offering that is collected weekly at each service. Offering envelopes are available through the church office as a confidential, secure way to give that allows us to keep a record of your giving for personal and tax purposes. We no longer use envelope numbers. Your offerings are associated with your name. **Please, please remember to write your name on the envelope.** This is the only way to track your offering! If you would like offering envelopes, please email Amy Thursam (AThursam@TrinityLCS.org) to request.

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. This is a free service through your bank and it alleviates the hassle of writing checks or buying stamps or having to use envelopes.

Trinity is hard at work to ensure your generous gifts to share the Gospel are processed accurately & as quickly as possible. If you need any assistance please call Amy Thursam, our Business Manager, 623-935-4665 ext. 215.

Thank you for your support and your prayers.

Fry's Community Rewards

It's easy to earn cash for our school through Fry's Community Rewards Program. Link your Fry's V.I.P. Card to Trinity Lutheran School - NPO Number - 80119 today!



Update the Fry's Community Rewards selection to Trinity on your digital account:

1. Sign in to your digital account or log into the app.
2. In the app, find Rewards under 'More' (the three lines in the upper right); select Rewards, Community Rewards
3. Enter 80119, Trinity Lutheran School's NPO Number, in the Search Organization field and click "Enroll".

You're Done! Any transactions moving forward using the V.I.P Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at no added cost to you. Fry's donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Fry's Community Rewards organizations.

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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