

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

#### **Traditional Offering Envelopes:**

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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

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.

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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'S PROTECTION IN HOLY COMMUNION

We need the protection Jesus provides in the **Lord's Supper** ... We need not wonder if we and those with us in worship each week need Jesus' personal aid against Satan. As Luther wrote, "If you could see how many knives, darts, and arrows are every moment aimed at you [Ephesians 6:16], you would be glad to come to the Sacrament as often as possible" (LC V 82). Satan launches his sharp missiles at our conscience, seeking to distort it. By self-accusation and brooding despair, Satan would deceive us to think that our sin outweighs Christ's sacrifice. Conversely, by self-justification and comparison with others, Satan would deaden our conscience in comfortable pride. While we might underestimate the dangers of a bad conscience, Jesus does not. ... A clean and good conscience trusts that Christ's forgiveness, delivered in His promised gifts, cleanses us from all sin. Such a conscience also expects and asks all that is good from God. A clean and good conscience before the Holy Trinity is a wondrous treasure!

"As You Proclaim Him" By Kenneth Wieting

#### 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.

#### **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

#### **TODAY: Parents of 8th Graders**

**Confirmation will be starting up on Monday, September 12th at 6:30pm** 

Today

A brief but important PARENT MEETING is scheduled for **TODAY** at 12:45 PM in the sanctuary.

#### 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.

#### **Prayer of the Week**

Holy Trinity, we thank you for abiding in us through faith. We thank you for revealing the Mystical Union to us, and for making Your home in us. Empower us to love our neighbor as you have loved us. Continue to teach us through Your Word about Christ and His work of salvation. And Lord, deepen our confidence and conviction in faith. Help us to abide in You as You abide in us! We ask this in Jesus' Name, 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.20

#### **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

#### **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.

#### Calling all moms!

Gather together for a fun, enriching, and empowering time with women who are experiencing the crazy and the heartrending and heart touching journey of mothering! This year's first get together will be on Friday, Sept 9th! Free childcare - call Ruth Fisher to reserve FREE childcare for your child during the parenting group (480-235-1473) or 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



#### NOW ACCEPTING VENDOR RESERVATIONS

Sign up early for inside booths \$60.00 includes 10'x10' booth space Contact Sue at 315-269-7938 to reserve your spot

#### **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

#### 10:30 Sunday Morning Bible Study

The 10:30am Bible Study will continue to meet through August. We are exploring the interesting history of "How We Got the Bible." You are welcome to join us in the Founder's Hall across from the church!

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 Aug. 24 in Founder's Hall from 10am-1pm. It is a fun time of study, games, and fellowship. *Bring a sack lunch.* 

#### Help Wanted!

Trinity's facilities department is looking for a part time maintenance person to work with us 20 hours per week. You would be doing repairs, moving items,



putting things together, installation, keeping track of inventory, & work orders through a computer program. If you are interested, please contact Roxanne at RBolte@TrinityLCS.org or 623-935-4665 ext 214.

## B.A.S.I.C.S.

#### New Member Classes

Our new member classes here at Trinity are called "B.A.S.I.C.S.":

Brief Adult Study
In Christianity and Service.

These are seven stand-alone classes, where you can learn and review the fundamental teachings of the Christian faith, and further understand your role in the Kingdom of God!

The next session of classes is:

October 16 - November 20

Sundays, 4:00-5:15pm

Please RSVP Jan Reynolds if you think you will attend or if you have further questions:

jreynolds@trinitylcs.org

#### PARENTS OF 5th, 6th and 7th GRADERS!

IMPORTANT NEWS FLASH! Wednesday, August 31st at 7pm in the Adult Classroom - There will be an important meeting for parents and students of 5th, 6th, and 7th graders for confirmation. This meeting explains our Confirmation Program and it is the important path to be able to take Holy Communion for your child. Contact Ruth Fisher at 480-235-1473 or rfisher@trinitylcs.org

#### **MEMORIAL SERVICE**

Long time Trinity church member, Timothy Thompson, passed away on July 19 from respiratory failure due to Covid 19.

Carol, Brad and Kimberly thank you for all your prayers and gestures of kindness during the time Tim was in the hospital.



Memorial services will be held on this Saturday, August 27, at 10:45 a.m. with a luncheon served afterwards in Founder's Hall





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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/

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#### **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 School: 623.935.4660 • Church: 623.935.4665