

# Children of God!

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## Hello from Yambio!

Everything is going well here! The Lord has blessed my time with the students! I sent two pictures, the first is the congregation in Saura, a remote village outside Yambio. They send their greetings to all of you! The second picture is at Bishop Peter Anibati's pineapple farm outside of town. The students here are very grateful for your love and support; repeatedly, and with sincere appreciation, they thank you for investing in their theological education. It's amazing to see such deep faith in one of the poorest and dangerous parts of the world. Please remember them in your prayers as they continue to study God's Holy Word. (Also remember one of the students, Martin, who has both typhoid and malaria and is struggling. As a congregation we were able to help him get the appropriate medicine in the market. Also an update: Nhial, the student airlifted to the Juba hospital is recovering! However, it does not sound like he will be returning to the seminary. On any given day here, at least a third of the students are ill, most with malaria.). *I will be back next weekend, and I have created a prayer sheet for you with the student's name, picture, and family information.*



**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.

## SCHOOL IS STARTING!

**The flurry of activity is real:** getting school clothes, new shoes, multiple school supplies, arranging carpools, meet the teacher night, sign ups for sports, music, etc! Take a deep breath and lean on the One Who gave our breath!! POUR SHALOM into your weekly schedule; pour God and His grace into your schedule. *How will you fit one more thing into your schedule?!!* **SHALOM is God's peace, strength, wholeness and power to live!**

Make sure worship is a priority. It empowers our faith and lives. Teaching your children about Jesus around the dinner table and reading the Bible together teaches a world view, that is important for life now and eternally! Need some ideas for teaching the Bible? Contact Ruth Fisher at 480-235-1473 or [RFisher@TrinityLCS.org](mailto:RFisher@TrinityLCS.org)

**How do you make sure the LORD is a part of each day?!**

## 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

## Parents of 8th Graders

**Confirmation will be starting up on Monday, September 12th at 6:30pm.** A brief but important PARENT MEETING is scheduled for Sunday, August 21st 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

*God the Father in Heaven, in Jesus' name, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers to you today. We praise and thank you for your lavish love and faithful care in our lives. Help us to live as your dear children in this evil and corrupt world. Give us a clear confession of Jesus our Savior so that others may hear and believe in him. Empower us to do good and to love our neighbor as Jesus has loved us. We rejoice that we are your children and ask that you keep us ever mindful of that until You are revealed on the last day. Amen!*

**"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*

## 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](http://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.*

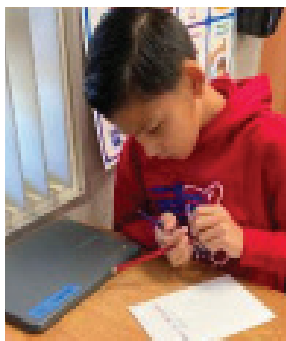
## Friday Parenting Group

The Parenting Group is in process of taking a look at format, times, days etc. If you are interested in growing and laughing with a group of fellow moms, contact Ruth Fisher at 480-235-1473 or [RFisher@TrinityLCS.org](mailto: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](mailto:RFisher@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 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. 10 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 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!

### Questions about Trinity School?

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

#### Your youth are at a different stage of life!

Confirmation is digging into who God is, preparing them for life in the world today, and giving them a solid foundation as they approach their teen years!

Contact Ruth Fisher at  
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### 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](mailto:hchapman@trinitylcs.org)*

### In Search Of...

"Hello, Friends! Trinity's Kindergarten Teachers are in search of a gently used refrigerator for the 300 building." ~Sherry Haddad

### 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 Saturday, August 27, at 11 a.m. with a luncheon served afterwards in Founder's Hall*



# Trinity Lutheran Church

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**CROSS TRAINING**  
 Sunday school for all ages

**CROSS Training starts September 11**

**REGISTER TODAY** →

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**

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Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Baptismal Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zipcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or Other Concerns \_\_\_\_\_

I recognize that Trinity staff & volunteers are taking responsible steps to remain COVID Cautious. I give permission for all photos & videos of my child taken during Sunday School can be used for crafts, in church, slide shows, Trinity's website & any other Trinity promo materials \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent or Guardian's Initial** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

## Meet Our Staff

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## Sunday Worship on Campus

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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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