

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL  
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# Jude

## Contend for the Faith



*As the Church staff, we want to THANK YOU for your generous support over the years! At our recent staff retreat, we reflected on how much of a joy it is to serve here at Trinity.*

*The reason is because of your ongoing encouragement, your loving kindness, your genuine friendship, and your faithful financial support. It is easy for us to see the Body of Christ at work in our congregation!*

*Thank you for accepting us,  
loving us, and encouraging us!*

*Pastor Bolte  
Jan Reynolds • Juliann Dolge  
Ruth Fisher • Ms. Laura*

### Bible Classes are in session!

See the flyer on the Information Center for all the Bible studies and information for each class. Come and study with us as we strive to be ever more Biblically literate and Doctrinally sound! Here are two of many...

- THE BOOK OF GALATIANS This class meets during OASIS on Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45pm, in the Sanctuary
- 1,2,3 JOHN AND JUDE: This class is held on Tuesdays @11am in the Sanctuary. *Free up your schedule for an hour on Tuesday mornings, and make this part of your weekly routine! Join us as we study God's Holy Word!*

### OASIS BIBLE STUDIES & CONFIRMATION

Campus Wide Wednesday Night Bible is BACK starting September 7th from 6:30pm-7:45pm thru May. 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. Our **5th, 6th, and 7th-grade students** will dig deeper into the Christian faith. *8th grade confirmation meets on Monday nights from 6:30pm-7:30pm.*

**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.**

## Adult CROSS Training

ADULT CROSS Training will join the children on **TODAY at 10:15am** in the Founder's Hall for Sundaes on Sunday! We will wish summer goodbye and get to know each other better! Starting Sept. 18, adults will meet in the Board Room in the church office with **Janet Sienkiewicz** guiding as Elijah teaches us in God's Holy Word. *Questions: Contact Ruth Fisher 480-235-1473 or RFisher@TrinityLCS.org*

## Moms: This is for you!

**Friday Parenting Group is for you! Join us on Fridays at 8:30am – 10:30am** for a fun, enriching, and empowering time for women who are experiencing the crazy, heartrending and heart touching journey of mothering. Call Ruth Fisher to reserve free childcare during this parenting group at (480-235-1473) or RFisher@TrinityLCS.org

## AMOS = A Ministry of Seniors

AMOS meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays each month. Our next AMOS meeting will be on Sept. 14 in Founder's Hall from 10am-1pm. It is a fun time of study, games, and fellowship. *Bring a sack lunch.*

## THE WORD

"Therefore you must always have God's Word in your heart, upon your lips, and in your ears. But where the heart is idle, and the Word does not sound, the devil breaks in and has done the damage before we are aware. On the other hand, the word is so effective that whenever it is seriously contemplated, heard, and used, that it is bound never to be without fruit, but always awakens new understanding, pleasure, and devoutness, and produces a pure heart and pure thoughts. For these words are not lazy or dead, but creative, living words."

*The Book of Concord, Large Catechism 1: 100-101*

## Handbells

Trinity's Handbell Choir is looking for ringers for the Fall/Winter season. Contact Juliann at the church office with any questions. JDolge@TrinityLCS.org



## Women's Monday Night Bible Study

Women's evening Bible Class meets the first and third Monday evenings at 7 pm in Founders Hall beginning Sept. 19 in Founders Hall. We will begin our study of Psalms. All women are invited to join us! *For more information call Pat Paulson at 623-935-1485 or Karen Onstad at 623-935-4589.*

## Prayer of the Week

*Holy Spirit, you teach us the truth about Christ and His Kingdom in the Holy Scriptures. Help us to read, learn, and understand Your Word so that we may faithfully confess the truth of Christ to the world. We ask that you defend and protect us from false teachers and their lies and deceptions. Give us a boldness to expose the lies, and to call people to repentance and into the way of everlasting life. Lord we pray for those in our congregation who are being tempted with false teachings, that you will bring them back to the truth of your Holy Word. Holy Spirit, work within us so that we may contend for the faith and be built up in our most holy faith. We pray these things 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.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).

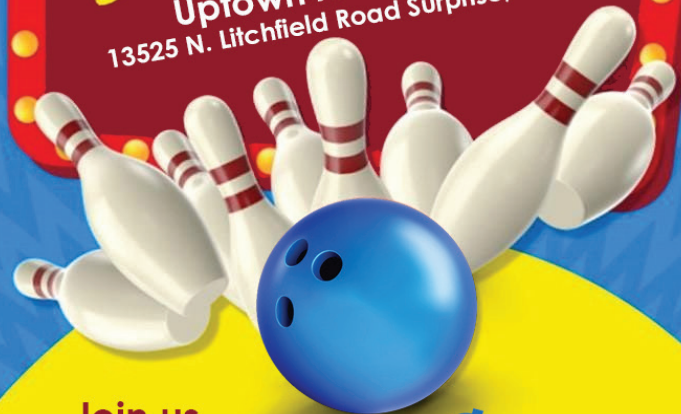
Absolution is the Lord's life-giving, sure and certain word that does for us what no surgery, medicine, therapy, counseling, or advice can do for us. The Lord's Word of Absolution doesn't cover up or hide our sin. Nor does it give us only a temporary relief that soon fades away. Our Lord's word of absolution reconciles us to God the Holy Trinity.

*What About Confession and Absolution? Dr. A. L. Barry,  
President The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

## Trinity Lutheran Confirmation Students & Friends

**Grades 5-8 + Friends!**

**STRIKE UP SOME FUN!**  
Uptown Alley Surprise  
13525 N. Litchfield Road Surprise, AZ 85375



**Join us  
Sept. 24**

**Please RSVP by September 19**

**Drop off at Trinity at 4pm  
Sign in with Ms. Laura**

**BOWLING & LAZER TAG • 4pm-7pm**

**Pick up at Uptown Alley at 7pm  
Sign out with Ms. Laura**

**\$20** per person

Includes  
• 1.5hrs of Bowling  
• Pizza + Drinks + Cookie Supper  
• \$10 Game Card  
• Lazer Tag Token

2022 Harvest to Holiday

Trinity Lutheran Church  
Southwest Corner of  
Dysart & Indian School  
Litchfield Park

November 12th  
8 am to 2 pm

**CRAFT FAIR**

CRAFTERS, VENDORS, FOOD & FUN

• **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

**Sunday Morning-- 8:45 Adult Bible Study**

**8:45 AM Adult Bible Study meets in Founder's Hall across from the Sanctuary building.**

The topics for study for the next few months are

- Today: Finishing the study of the Letter to the Ephesians, led by Pat Paulson'
- Next two sessions: A Study on the Armor Of God, led by Ed Rupprecht
- Fall Sessions: The Gospel according to St. Luke, led by Rev. Les Self

*Donuts, coffee and amazing fellowship guaranteed. All are welcome!*

**Prepare your youth for life & Holy Communion!**

Confirmation classes are on Wed. at 6:30pm! **5th & 6th graders** will be in the **Adult Classroom** by church digging deeper into the New Testament! **7th graders** explore the Ten Commandments and Apostles Creed with Ms. Ruth in **Room 404**. **8th graders** meet Mondays 6:30pm -7:30pm with Pastor as they prepare to receive Holy Communion. Call Ruth Fisher 480-235-1473 or 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*

**Rally Sunday**

**Sundaes on Sunday**

TODAY  
September 12  
10:15am

GOOD TIMES

WOW!

BUILD YOUR OWN SUNDAE BAR!

**CROSS TRAINING**  
Sunday school for all ages

**September 'Let's Go' Fellowship Event**

We are going 'Down Under' for our next 'Let's Go' activity. The 'Outback Steakhouse' is an Australian inspired setting where mates gather for Aussie hospitality and good eats. **The Outback** is located at: 14225 W Grand Ave, Surprise. We will start at our usual 6:30pm on September 29, the last Thursday in September. Please reserve your spot by September 28 with Wilma Rupprecht. Phone: 630 888 4233.

**2022 Fall New Member Class is scheduled!**

*B.A.S.I.C.S* is a 7- week Bible study that includes the basic teachings of the Lutheran Church. The Fall classes will meet on Sunday evenings, October 16 - November 20 from 4-5:15pm. You can register online at [www.TrinityLCS.org](http://www.TrinityLCS.org). Look for the **Information Tab** at the top of the page. For questions or if you will need Child Care, please contact Jan Reynolds at [JReynolds@TrinityLCS.org](mailto:JReynolds@TrinityLCS.org)

**Portals of Prayer**

The Portals of Prayer for October-December are in the entryway at both places of worship.

**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.

**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](mailto:DBolte@TrinityLCS.org)**

**Calling Parents of 5th, 6th, 7th, & 8th graders!**

Contact Ruth Fisher if you missed the Parent Student Meeting for Confirmation. Ruth will be happy to explain the path for youth to go deeper into Scripture, growing in faith and wisdom for life. This program prepares students for Holy Communion by 8th grade. *Contact Ruth Fisher • Let's talk!*



# Trinity Lutheran Church

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## Two Messages from Trinity's LWML

**Mission Mite Sunday today!** All Mites will be given to 'Bring the Inner-City Children to Camp' - Lutheran Valley Retreat, Colorado. *Thank you the continued support in the missions of the LWML!*

On **Saturday September 17th**, LWML will be kicking off our year with a Welcome Back Potluck. Founders Hall from **1-3pm**. ALL Ladies are welcome! Bring something to share or just come to meet new people. *We are looking forward to a wonderful year!*

## Looking for a few helping hands!

**We would love to supply hot coffee and cold punch each Sunday morning!**



You have likely seen Ms. Ruth setting up and serving Coffee & Punch on Sunday Mornings. However, when Ms. Ruth is handling details of setup and cleanup, we are missing opportunities for meeting visitors, caring for those who are struggling, and answering questions about Trinity's many activities. If you would like to join a team to set up coffee and punch one Sunday a month or clean up once a month, please contact Ruth Fisher by phone 480-235-1573 or email [RFisher@TrinityLCS.org](mailto:RFisher@TrinityLCS.org) today!

## Questions about Trinity School?

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Early Childhood Director

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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](http://TrinityLCS.org)

School: 623.935.4690 • Church: 623.935.4665

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**CROSS TRAINING**

Sunday school for all ages

**!!\*CROSS Training starts TODAY\*!!**

**3s-Kinder:** Julie & Daniel Dodson and 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)

**NEW LESSONS...SAME WORD**  
**NEW BIBLE DISCOVERIES...SAME FAITH**

