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He Is Risen!

Rejoice! It's Easter Sunday! Alleluia!
The Lord Jesus Christ has risen from the dead!

This is the most important celebration in the Christian faith, as the Resurrection “circles” Jesus as the One whom God the Father sent to be our Savior! Jesus’ perfect life, and His sacrificial death on the cross, is the work that God the Father accepts on your behalf. Because of Jesus, you are forgiven and God gives you eternal life!

We welcome you to our campus today; after worship you are invited to enjoy refreshments on the patio and a special Easter family event.

You are always welcome to join us in worship each week as we learn more and more about the risen Savior Jesus Christ, His kingdom, His salvation, and His return on the Last Day to take us to our heavenly home! This newsletter highlights some of the many activities that our congregation is involved in to study God’s Holy Word and to serve other people.

As a community of Lutheran Christians, we welcome you as together we rejoice and shout “Alleluia! The Lord is Risen!”

Pastor Dave Bolte
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Sunday Morning – 8:45 Bible Study

Rev. Les Self is leading a study of The Book of Acts in Founders Hall across from the Sanctuary. Coffee, donuts & Christian community abundantly offered.

NEWS from the LWML

Thank you to all who helped set up, cooked, our meals, and cleaned up for our Lenten Suppers. Thank you to all who attended the Lenten Suppers. *Thank you to everyone who donated to the Missionary Brunch and Lenten Suppers. We raised \$3,000.00.*



Our next LWML meeting will be April 27th at 1:00. It will be an Ice Cream Social and elections for President and Treasurer. If you are interested in running for one of these please contact Martha Mueller: MMueller@TrinityLCS.org

Men of Faith

WE'RE BACK!

Our men's groWal 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.

1517.org Event!

Sign-up for the Bible Seminar and 50th Anniversary Celebration event with Rev. Erick Sorensen from 1517.org is OPEN!



The theme for the weekend is "Scandalous Stories: A Weekend in the Parables." The event is Friday night, Saturday Morning on April 19-20, 2024.

There are two ways to sign up:

- 1) Go to our website www.trinitylcs.org
 - 2) Come into the Church office M-W, 8-11am.
- The cost is \$25/person; a great deal for 4 study sessions, 3 eating events, great fellowship, and participating in this special celebration of our 50th Anniversary as a congregation! If \$25 is difficult for you, we have scholarships available – talk to Pastor Bolte. **SIGN UP NOW!** We have limited space. On April 1, we will open it up to the community.

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@trintylcs.org

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

OPEN POSITION at Trinity Lutheran School

TLS has a part-time teacher opening for the 24/25 school year, teaching our pre-algebra and algebra courses.



Requirements: Must have a valid 7-12 grade math teaching certificate, a valid fingerprint card, and experience working with students. Contact Assistant Principal, Amanda Beaver by email abeaver@trinitylcs.org

Church Nursery

We love your little ones! Children are welcome in worship! If your little one needs to burn off some energy, the Nursery is available at all of our Sunday worship services, except 6pm.

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

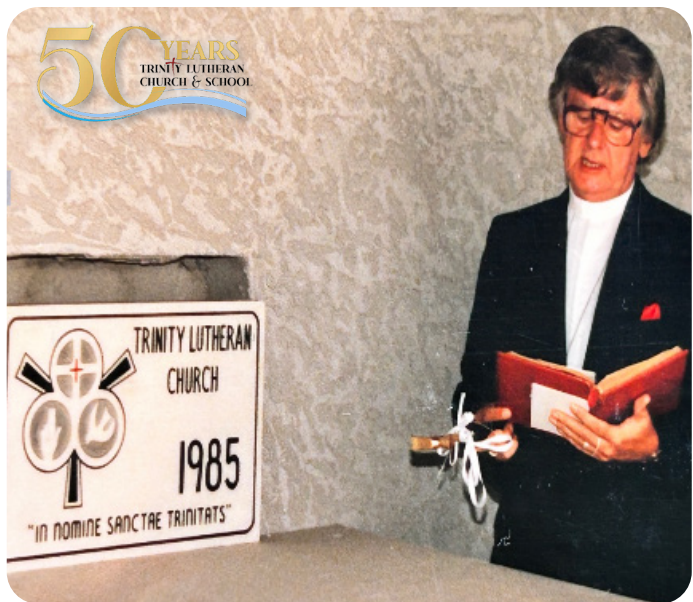
50th Anniversary Shirts!

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. The shirts are of good quality material and depending on the style you choose, the shirts are either 100% wring spun cotton, or 65/35 poly/cotton pique, all are pre-shrunk so the size you pick will stay the size you wanted after washing.

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.



<https://bit.ly/50AnniversaryShirts>



Pastor Nathan Gregrath was the first Called Pastor to Trinity. Here he is laying the cornerstone in the brand new sanctuary that we still worship in today!

Prior to 1985, Trinity was meeting in various homes and renting from area churches to have worship and meetings.

Over the past 50 years, Trinity has been served by 12 Pastors, 2 Deaconesses, 3 Directors of Christian Education, a Deacon, and 5 Vicars. In addition, in the last 25 years, we have been blessed to have lay staff serve faithfully and with great dedication to our congregation. Also, the Lord has raised up for us excellent and gifted leaders to guide and lead us in both prosperous and very difficult times. For all who serve, support, encourage, and give faithfully to this congregation, THANK YOU!

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

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
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AMOS

Calling All Seniors! Our next AMOS meeting will be March 27th, at 10:00am, in Founders hall. Come and join us for Bible Study, games and sack lunch. Bring a friend.

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."**

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God and Father, through Your only begotten Son Jesus Christ You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

SUNDAY SCHOOL



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





Trinity Lutheran Church

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At Trinity Lutheran School our children learn to be disciples of Christ through exceptional education and a firm foundation in God's word. The Gospel is shared daily as the staff works to prepare children for this life and for the next. We have introduced the teachers from pre-school through grade 5. We now move on to Middle School (grades 6-8). This is a critical time of development for these children. We are privileged to have the opportunity to not only offer a safe and nurturing environment but to provide a lifelong foundation of Scripture that will guide them through these adolescent years and the future. The teachers are key to carrying out this mission.

Meet Mr. Toth, Sixth-Grade teacher

Mr. Kris Toth is an experienced middle school science teacher, serving six years at Prince of Peace Lutheran School in Fremont, CA, and later at a charter school in Arizona. Prior to teaching, he worked as a scientist in a laboratory setting and brings that background to the classes he teaches. Mr. Toth and his family moved to Arizona in 2021 to be closer to family. His daughter attends Kindergarten at Trinity Lutheran School and his son is a junior at Valley Lutheran High School. Mr. Toth's love for teaching has truly shown him that it is impossible to teach true science without teaching about God. He is excited to be moving back to a Lutheran school where he can share this with the students in his classroom daily.



Meet Mr. Koehne, Seventh-Grade teacher



Mr. Robert Koehne is excited to be part of the Trinity Lutheran faculty as the 7th grade homeroom teacher. Mr. Koehne teaches Social Studies for grades 6th-8th as well as 8th Grade Faith Development and a SEL/Leadership elective class. Mr. Koehne is also the Girls Basketball coach at Trinity.

Before coming to Trinity, Mr. Koehne spent 23 years in Lutheran high school education. He served for 12 years at Walther Lutheran High School in IL followed by 11 years as the Principal at Valley Lutheran High School in Phoenix. Looking for a chance to get back into the classroom to work directly with students, Mr. Koehne accepted the call to Trinity Lutheran in the summer of 2021 and enjoys serving at Trinity Lutheran.

Meet Mrs. Mahon, Eighth-Grade teacher

Mrs. Mallory Mahon has been a member of Trinity since childhood! She began her career working in Trinity's Childcare Program when she was just 17 and continued until she began student teaching. After Mrs. Mahon finished her elementary education studies at ASU in 2011, she taught Trinity High School Prep math and K-8 Technology classes. Mrs. Mahon has two beautiful daughters, Rylie and Raygan, both of whom attend Trinity. Mrs. Mahon loves teaching at Trinity, a place that is near and dear to her heart.



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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