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the good shepherd

take and eat the lamb of god *take and drink*

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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 with us today. If we can help in any way, please see an elder or usher for assistance. God's blessings on your worship!

Worship Times
 7:30am (Sanctuary)
 Traditional Lutheran Worship
 9:00 & 10:15am (Family Life Center)
 Contemporary praise music
 11:30am (Sanctuary)
 Blended Traditional Worship
 6:00pm (Sanctuary)
 Casual Lutheran Worship
Nursery available for all services
 FLC Services Preschool Room 11
 Sanctuary Services School Nursery

Sunday School

8:45am Adult Bible Study
 (Room 301)
10:15am Adult Bible Study
 (Room 301)
PS 3/4 Yr Olds/Kindergarten
 (Preschool Room 9)
1st/2nd Grades
 (Room 303)
3rd/4th Grades
 (Room 403)
5th/6th Grades
 (Room 404)
7th/8th Grades
 (The Lounge - Youth Room)
(PS through 2nd Grades meet in the Sanctuary at 10:15 to begin with Praise Time and will be picked up in classrooms at 11:15)



WORSHIP AT TRINITY

The Lord's Supper: Our Understanding and Practice

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who are members of a different church other than The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor. For further study see Matt 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor 11:17-34.

Worship Attendance--

SUNDAY - 03/26/2017

7:30am	TRAD	123
9:00am	PRAISE	162
10:15am	PRAISE	149
11:30pm	BLENDED	53
6:00pm	TRAD	40
	TOTAL	527

The flowers on the altar in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Norma Oxley on the occasion of her 70th baptismal birthdate.

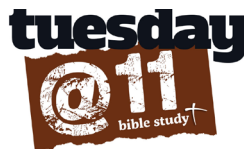


STUDY

You are invited to study God's Holy Word with us as we strive to be biblically literate and doctrinally sound disciples.

The Book Of Romans

This class, taught by Pastor Bolte, is held during the OASIS time slot on Wednesdays, 6:30pm - 7:45pm.



The Book of 2 Corinthians

This class, taught by Pastor Bolte, will be held on Tuesdays@11am.

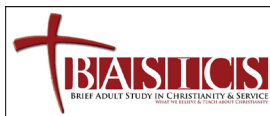
The Book of Acts

This class, taught by Pastor Bolte, is held on Tuesday mornings from 7:00 - 7:30. This is primarily a Trinity Lutheran School faculty Bible study, but if you want to join us, you are welcome!



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

BASICS is for anyone wishing to become a member at Trinity or just wanting a great 7 week Bible study reviewing the basics of the Christian faith. Child care is provided. Register online at <http://www.trinitylcs.org/about-us/new-members/> or contact Andi at amcdonald@Trinitylcs.org. The next BASICS class begins April 23.



Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

- 8:45am (Room 301) **Adult Bible Study** w/ Pr. Les Self
- **"One Christ Many Creeds."**
- There are important reasons (biblical reasons) why Lutherans are Lutheran and not Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Methodist, etc. On the surface, this Bible study is about the histories, concerns, and main teachings of various Christian church bodies. Beyond the surface, this Bible study is really about what Lutherans believe and why they believe it.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

- 10:15am (Room 301) **Adult Bible Study** w/ Suzanne Suarez
- **The Book of Proverbs**

Women's Monday Night Bible Study

A Man Named Martin - Part 1: The Man. This Bible study is the first of a 3-part series devoted to Martin Luther, a monk whose Spirit-inspired grasp of God's justification of sinners through faith in the Savior was the cornerstone of the Protestant Reformation. We meet @ 7pm on the first and third Mondays of each month at Karen Onstad's home. All women are welcome to attend. If you have any questions call her at [623-935-4589](tel:623-935-4589) or Study Leader Karen Frusti at [602-828-2268](tel:602-828-2268).



Calling All Moms!

Stop by on a Friday morning and check us out from 8:30-10:30am in Room 301! Join a friendly group of moms as we encourage each other! We fill up with the hope and help in God's Word and look at practical ways to teach/discipline right in the middle of the craziness of life! Expect lots of laughter! Open to all mothers! Currently we have moms with newborns through teens. Free Childcare in 103. Contact Ruth Fisher ([480-235-1473](tel:480-235-1473)) to sign up for childcare!



ADULTS

A.M.O.S. (A Ministry Of Seniors) meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month.

- Next meeting is **Apr 12**
- Bring a sack lunch and join us in a short Bible study, Christian fellowship and games. All seniors welcome!
- On the 2nd Wednesday of each month we celebrate the birthdays of members of the church 55 and over with a birthday!

LWML

TODAY is LWML Mike Box Sunday! Camp ALOMA is one of the recipients of the 2016-2018 Pacific Southwest District Mite Grants. Look for the LWML table with the large Mite Box for your coins!

Also on that table will be the sign-up sheet to help supply food for the Easter Sunday Continental Breakfast. We want to welcome all of our Easter guests at both the Sanctuary location and the Family Life Center! Thanks for your help!

On The Business End Of Things...

We are now banking with Lutheran Federal Credit Union. One of the benefits of partnering with LFCU is low banking fees. Checks are now processed in-house with a check reader so when writing checks to Trinity please be sure to use blue or black ink. The check reader doesn't easily see other colors and this may result in your check not being processed. Thank you for supporting Trinity.

Devotions! Devotions!

- **Look for Laura during Lent on YouTube (Subscribe and receive notifications when new Videos are posted)**
 - Grades K-4: www.bit.ly/2mezoQH
 - Grades 5-8: www.bit.ly/2lUdgIS
 - High School & Young Adult: www.bit.ly/2ldfxzR
 - Anyone/Everyone else: www.bit.ly/2ldmXU3

You can also find these links on the web site at <http://www.trinitylcs.org/info-center/seasonal-devotions/>

- Ruth has a basket with devotion booklets for adults and children.

It's Lutheran Witness Renewal Time

If you are interested in receiving this informative monthly publication please let Roxanne know by **Apr 17th**. We need your name and mailing address and a check for \$15.96/year payable to Trinity Lutheran Church in the offering plate. Note "Lutheran Witness" on the memo line. Contact Roxanne at [623-935-4665](tel:623-935-4665) ext 210 or RBoLTE@TrinityLCS.org with questions.

Reformation Celebration Brainstorming!

- **Monday, Apr 3 – 6:30pm**
- Join us for a fun meeting of tossing ideas around on ways to celebrate the 500th year of Luther's call back to the Gospel of Jesus Christ!
- We will explore ideas for our congregation as well as the community!
- Can't make the meeting? Email rfisher@trinitylcs.org with ideas!

KNOW THE FACTS – MAKE A PLAN

Leaving A Christian Legacy

THIS WEDNESDAY, Apr 5th is the day! Join us at one of the three workshops being held with information on Christian wills and legacies. Bagels at 8:30am, light lunch at 12:00 noon, or during the Oasis hour at 6:30pm. 8:30 and Noon presentations will be in Room #301. In the evening, during the Oasis hour our speaker, Pam Moksnes will be presenting in the sanctuary. Get all your questions answered about a Christian will and legacy. You will be given your own planning guide that you can complete at home. It's never too early to begin plans on how YOU want your accumulated assets to affect the care and future of your children and grandchildren. Join us on **Apr 5** for valuable information. If you would like to make a personal appointment with Pam during the day, please contact Jan @ jreynolds@trinity.lcs.org and she will schedule a time for you to meet with her.

Nominations for Elected Offices

We are starting the process of collecting nominations for elected offices here at Trinity. This year, we will have openings for one "At-Large" Board of Director position, and 4 Board of Elder positions. If you are interested, or would like to nominate someone (with their permission), please email Pastor Bolte (dbolte@trinitylcs.org) so we can arrange an interview. The congregational meeting that elects our new officers will be **Sunday, May 21, 2017 at 12:45pm**.

YOU'RE INVITED → 2017 Spring Splash Car Show

Questions? Need more info? Contact Charlene Nichol, [602-618-9476](tel:602-618-9476)

PLAN TO SERVE or ATTEND: **Apr 8**

EASTER JOURNEY – FAMILY FUN!

On Easter Sunday, we will have a short journey to do some SEEKING & FINDING! This journey will happen after each worship service on Easter on a short walk. Come, enjoy, build faith memories on a short walk! Bring your children, family and friends!

SEEKING MORE ACTORS, ACTRESSES & GUIDES

Looking for people excited about sharing their faith in a fun way! Need a few more actors, and actresses and guides to be a part of our Easter Journey! Hoping to rotate so we have several casts. Be a disciple, or a Mary or an angel! Contact Ruth Fisher at [480-235-1473](tel:480-235-1473) or rfisher@trinitylcs.org or sign up outside to be a part of the fun of telling the most important story on earth!!

Thank you to Sharman Hickman

who spoiled us **Sunday, Mar 26th**, at the sanctuary with an amazing spread of coffee, creamers, eggs, yogurt, berries and chocolate milk and more! Sharman said she wanted to give back to her Trinity family who have given so much to her children through the school and church! Gotta love those fresh Hickman eggs!



YOUTH/FAMILIES

Sunday School: Age 3 thru High School

- Contact Laura Nelson for info LNelson@TrinityLCS.org or call/ text [515-864-6064](tel:515-864-6064)

PRAISE TIME – Praising God in Song!

- **Preschool through 2nd grade - in Sanctuary**
 - 10:10 am – Sign-in at Sanctuary bldg - church
 - 10:30am – 11:15am – Bible Lessons in classrooms
 - Parents pick up from classrooms
- **3/4th grade, 5th/6th grade, 7th/8th grade & HS**
 - 10:15am – Gather in their own classrooms for great Bible discussions with teachers and friends

3yrs-Kinder: Judy Bodnar & Jen Dalton, Preschool Room 9
1st/2nd: Karen Shanafelt & Trevor Wheeler, room 303
3rd/4th: Sandi Simon & Tonya Waite, room 403
5th/6th: Jim McDonald, room 404
7th/8th & HS: Jodi Hamill, the LIGHT Lounge

- **Lesson 13: Jesus Heals a Blind Man (John 9)**

Jr. Youth 5th - 8th Grades

Contact Laura Nelson for info lnelson@trinitylcs.org or call or text [515-864-6064](tel:515-864-6064)

- **OASIS (Confirmation)**
 - **Wednesdays 6:30-7:45 pm**
 - Larry Billar - 5th Grade - Room 502
 - Bruce Rogers - 6th Grade - Room 504
 - Ruth Fisher - Jr. Confirmation - Room 602
 - Vince Owen - Sr. Confirmation - Room 301

- **TODAY -- JR Youth Egg-straordinary Egg Decorating & Devo**
 - **When: Sunday Apr 2nd from 1-2:30**
 - Who: JR Youth (5-8th graders) + Friends!
 - What: Egg Decorating, Egg Minute to Win It games & Lent/Easter-prep Devo
 - Where: The LIGHT Lounge
 - Special Note: We purchased our eggs from Hickman's Family Store. If you've never been -- GO RIGHT NOW for egg-cellent customer service & the bestest eggs around!

Sr. Youth High School Age

Contact Laura Nelson for info lnelson@trinitylcs.org or call or text [515-864-6064](tel:515-864-6064)

- **OASIS High School Bible Study**
 - **Wednesdays 6:30-7:45 pm**
 - Connected to each other and plugged in the Word!
 - Meet us in the LIGHT Lounge
- **Car Show Prep and Pizza Night**
 - We're having our Pizza, Pop and Prep meeting here at church on **Thursday, Apr 6th from appr 6pm - 8 pm**
 - If you are in JR Youth, this event is for you!
 - If you are in SR Youth, this event is for you!
 - If you are one of our AWESOME adult volunteers, this event is for you!
- **Misc. SR Youth Shenanigans**
 - **Apr 6:** Car Show prep and Pizza Party
 - **Apr 8:** 5th Annual Spring SPLASH Car Show
 - April 9: No Sunday FUNday
 - April 15: Piestewa Peak, Mountain-A-Month Hike

If you're interested in knowing more about what the SR Youth specifically are up to at any of these events CONTACT LAURA -- it might not be what you think at all!



MISSION

Mission Moment

The time is here! The time is now! Jesus has risen and it is a matter of life and death – life now and life forever! Pass this Good News on! People are often open to invitations to church just before Easter! We have several unique opportunities!

- **You Have Been Egged! (No mess involved!)** This is a fun, easy way to involve the whole family! Simply hide plastic eggs with candy in your neighbor's or friend's front yard. Hang the sign on the front door! Ruth has all needed supplies & easy instructions outside! The sign explains why you are hiding the eggs in a cheerful poem. On the sign, you write the number of eggs that you have hidden and sign your name. The sign ALSO includes Easter worship times and an invitation to come!
- **Hand out Easter postcards** Give to a friend, co-worker, clerk at store, etc. Say: "This is Who gives me hope!" "Hope you can come!"
- **Mail a postcard to friend or family. Star the service you will attend.** Add: "Love it, if you can come!" Postcards are available outside and on the welcome center. NOTE: The postcards need regular letter stamp.
- **Text, call, email, or personally invite someone to Easter Worship.** Tell them about worship times, Easter breakfast and our family activity between services – the Easter Journey.

February 2017 Period 08 - Financial facts.

- Total Revenue for the period \$287,226 (\$31k better than projected)
- Total Expenses for the period \$224,964 (\$661k lower than projected – Only non discretionary spending)
- Net Revenue for the period was \$62k (\$32.7k better than projected☺.)
- Total revenue continues to exceed the projected revenue in Nov-Feb This was due to additional envelope offerings and increased Preschool revenue.
- YTD, we are still missing our projected revenue mark for the Church and School by \$33k but this number is getting smaller every month – Praise be to God. Please continue to prayerfully consider your tithing.
- Capital Fund contributions for the period was \$3,979.
- Capital Fund contributions YTD is \$44,208. These dollars would normally go directly to the mortgage principal, but given our current budget situation they will be applied to our current mortgage balance.
- **2016-17 Enrollment Status.**
 - Elementary is currently at 164 enrolled (93% of 2016-17 target)
 - Preschool is currently at 199 enrolled (Over 100% of 2016-17 target)
- **2017-18 Enrollment has begun.**
 - Elementary is currently at 149 enrolled (93% of 2017-18 target)
 - Preschool is currently at 128 enrolled (69% of 2017-18 target)

Bible Verse Word Search

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I am the good shepherd.

The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10:11

(One letter words are not used. If a word is used in the verse more than once, it is only in the puzzle once. Words may be down, across, backward or diagonal. Some words may overlap one another)