# A righteousness from God revealed...

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# may 28, 2017 the word alone!

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) ON SUMMER BREAK 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--

The flowers on the altar in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God.

SUNDAY - 05/28/2017

7:30am	TRAD	72
9:00am	PRAISE	137
10:15am	PRAISE	142
11:30pm	BLENDED	61
6:00pm	TRAD	39
	TOTAL	451



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

#### A Man Named Martin

This class, led by Phil Larsen, is held during the OASIS time slot on Wednesdays, tweednesday Night Bible Study 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/ <u>new-members/</u> or contact Andi at <u>amcdonald@Trinitylcs.org</u>. The next, BASICS class begins in the fall...dates to follow.

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**BIBLE STUDY** a Lutheran school for all

#### Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

- 8:45am (Room 301) Adult Bible Study w/ Pr. Les Self "Potpourri"
- No, not the smelly stuff, just a good solid mix of Scripture texts and topics to get your senses stoked and to stimulate your faith walk.
- Miss a week? No worries. Pop on in the next week for • something completely new and fresh!
- See you there!

#### Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

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

#### Women's Monday Night **Bible Study**

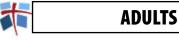
A Man Named Martin - Part 1: The Man. This Bible study is the first of a 3-part series devoted to Martin Luther, a monk whose Spirit-inspired grasp of God's justification of sinners through faith in the Savior was

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 or Study Leader Karen Frusti at 602-828-2268.

#### Friday Parenting Group - Every Friday! 8:30am -10:30am Free childcare!

We will meet all summer long in Room 301! Come where others understand the toughest job you will ever love! Come to grow as a mom! Be empowered by God's Word! Come and enjoy! NOTE: We will be off Jun 16th for VBS. Contact Ruth Fisher to let her know you are coming and reserve a spot for free

childcare. (<u>480-235-1473</u> or <u>rfisher@trinitylcs.org</u>) May/early June we are pondering how to teach character, responsibility & perseverance. BONUS: Starting Jun 23rd, we will be enjoying the video series, HOODWINKED – Ten Myths Moms Believe – Informative and Fun!



#### **Congregational Meeting**

The congregational meeting that elects our new officers and approves the upcoming budget will be **TODAY at 12:45pm**.

#### **Read All About It!**

Please note that the newsletter publication will be cutting back to its twice-monthly schedule, printing for the first and third Sundays each month. Please be aware of this when submitting your articles. Thank you!

#### A.M.O.S. (A Ministry Of Seniors)

- Meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month 11:00am - 2:00pm
- Next meeting is June 14
- Bring a sack lunch and join us in a short Bible study, Christian fellowship and games. All seniors welcome!

#### **Blood Drive**

- TODAY, Sunday, Jun 04 8:30am 12:30pm
- Little Lambs
- Walk-ins also welcome!



Men of Faith--New Men's Group!

A new men's group is started on Tuesday, May 23rd! This group will be a study and serving group that will meet for one hour on Tuesdays from 6:30pm to 7:30pm in the Adult classroom off of the sanctuary. We will be reading through Martin

Luther's Large Catechism. There is a study book that you will need for this group called "Luther's Large Catechism with Study Questions"; it is \$11.99 on Amazon. NOTE: if you cannot afford the book, please come to the class anyway, I will get you a book for free! Plan now to attend --- it's a good opportunity to study the Word, to serve, and to meet other Christian men of faith! As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. PROVERBS 27:17

#### **Children Welcome Here!**

Little Lesson coloring pages are available for children to enjoy during worship services. Pick them up at the ushers' table. They usually go along with the Bible readings and sermon theme, so they can be also used as a teaching tool for families at home.

#### **Nursery Is Provided For Children**

age 3 and younger in the Nursery (7:30am, 11:30am, 6pm) and Room 112 (9am & 10:15am). Babies and children are always welcome in worship! On the days you feel like you are wrestling and not worshipping, the nursery is available! We understand!

#### Portals of Prayer

The Portals of Prayer for the next quarter is available on the Information Center at the Sanctuary, and in the entryway in the Family Life Center.

#### **Trinity Quilters**

Trinity Quilters will NOT be meeting the months of June, July and August 2017. Have a wonderful summer! And look for news about meeting on Sept 2, 2017. Thanks to everyone who helped this last year in making guilts with so much love!

# Shirley & Marie

Database Updates

- Have you moved? •
- New phone number?
- New email address?
- Please help us keep our records up to date. There is now an online database update form on our web site under the Info Center-->Forms tab
- Because of the variations in web browsers, it is best to download the form with Acrobat Reader. A link to download this is on our web site



#### **VBS Snacks**

Thank you to all who have taken a tag from our Tool Box and are bringing us food, supplies or donating shopping funds! You are so appreciated! PLEASE BRING ALL SNACKS BY TODAY!









# Let the Singing Begin!

Vacation Bible School CDs HAVE ARRIVED! If you have registered your children for VBS, hurry to the VBS table outside and get their VBS CD! Crew leaders/ helpers and Station Leaders: Grab your VBS CD, and start singing! The CDs will be outside on the VBS table. One per family. If cost is a difficulty, please contact Laura Nelson at Inelson@trinitylcs.org.

### **Crew Leader and Helper Training**

Calling all VBS Crew Leader and Helpers! If you are a Crew Leader or a Crew helper, please attend one of these meetings:

- Thursday, June 8 7pm 9pm
- OR Saturday, Jun 10 10am noon

#### **To All VBS Volunteers:**

We are powering up to share the amazing news of God's plan for our lives with over 200 children! To prepare yourself: Be in Worship! Be in the very presence of God receiving His grace through His powerful Word.

#### TO God's People:

Please pray for all of our staff and volunteers as we prepare and as we share the Good News of God's love through Jesus with children and their parents and grandchildren. Please welcome them among us especially the week after VBS.

#### Vacation Bible School Registration Information

- June 12 June 16, 2017 9:00 am 12:00 pm
- · Imagine a world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who discover they're lovingly crafted by God. Join us for Maker Fun Factory Vacation Bible School!
- Online registration IS NOW OPEN: <u>www.VBSPro.events/p/</u> events/TrinityLutheranChurch-vbs2017

Look for Laura and/or Ruth in the hospitality area for paper registration form before/after each AM service. For PM service, please check the Information Table outside the Sanctuary.

#### Join up with the VBS Maker Fun Factory Team!

God is moving and spreading His word to children right here among us!

#### Adults/Teens/Junior High

- Is God Calling You to be A Crew Leader or Helper? Looking for people who care about children and love sharing their faith with them! Two of you will guide a group of 10 children to 5 stations where others will lead you in activities.
- Do you love babies and preschoolers? We are looking for 2 childcare workers to watch volunteers' children during VBS June 12-16th.
- Do you love the Word of God?! Be a leader in our KidVid Cinema area! You teach kids Bible verses in a fun way and guide discussions using a fun plan to bring God's Word into their lives!!
- Our GAME Leader needs another Adult Helper. Are you game?!

Contact Ruth Fisher 480-235-1473 or rfisher@triniytlcs.com to volunteer!

#### Sunday School: Age 3 thru High School

Contact Laura Nelson for info LNelson@TrinityLCS.org or call/ text 515-864-6064

• No Classes -- Summer Break

# Jr. Youth 5th - 8th Grades

Contact Laura Nelson for info <u>Inelson@trinitylcs.org</u> or call or text <u>515-864-6064</u>

- OASIS (Confirmation)
  - No Classes -- Summer Break

#### 2017 Summer Vacation Bible School: Maker Fun Factory

- Plan to Participate or Volunteer!
- Get more info in the VBS Section of this Newsletter

# Keep on the LOOK OUT...

# ... for FUN JR Youth Summer events and activities!

- VBS (Vacation Bible School
- K.I.C.K.
- Wet'n'Wild
- Pool Party
- Lock-OUT

# Sr. Youth High School Age

Contact Laura Nelson for info <u>Inelson@trinitylcs.org</u> or call or text <u>515-864-6064</u>

- OASIS 8th Grade and High School Bible Study
  - No Classes -- Summer Break

# SR Youth Summer Servant Trip

- Remaining Participant Balance(\$175) due.
- Bible Study Topic: I Am An Echo
- Bible Study Location: Starbucks (13840 W Camelback Rd #20, LP)
- Bible Study Days/Times
  - June 14: 6:30-7:45pm
  - June 21: 6:30-7:45pm
  - June 28: 6:30-7:45pm
  - July 5: 7-8:30pm
  - July 8: TBD, before we J Leave on a jet plane J

# • Misc. SR Youth Shenanigans

- June 8: VBS Leader/Helper meeting (opt 1) 7pm
- June 10: VBS Leader/Helper meeting (opt 2) 9am
- June 11: Sunday FUNday 11:30-2pm
- June 12-16: Vacation Bible School 9am-12pm
- June 16: VBS Volunteer "Thank You" lunch
- June 25: Sunday FUNday 11:30-2pm

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!

# April 2017 Period 10 - Financial facts.

- Total Revenue for the period \$277,295 (\$1k short of projection)
- Total Expenses for the period \$238,605 (\$8.5k lower than projected Only non discretionary spending)
- Net Revenue for the period was \$38.6k (\$9.8k short of projection).
- YTD, we are missing our projected revenue mark for the Church and School by \$14k – This is a phenomenal improvement over what I was projecting 5 months ago. Praise be to God. Please continue to prayerfully consider your tithing.
- Capital Fund contributions for the period was \$4,559.
- Capital Fund contributions YTD is \$53,287. These dollars would normally go directly to the mortgage principal, but given our current budget situation and desperate need

to maintain our property and assets, LCEF has agreed to allow us to reinvest 40% of these dollars (going forward) for property and maintenance improvements. 60% will continue to be applied to the mortgage principal – You will see these details included upcoming Capital Campaign Events.

- 2016-17 Enrollment Status.
  - Elementary ended the school year at 164 enrolled (94% of 2016-17 target)
  - Preschool ended the school year at 198 enrolled (Over 100% of 2016-17 target)
  - 2017-18 Enrollment has begun.
  - Elementary is currently at 152 enrolled (92% of 2017-18 target)
  - Preschool is currently at 140 enrolled (73% of 2017-18 target)

#### Jm Mahon

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# Family and friends,

Thank you so much for your continued prayers and encouragement. Today I leave for Sierra Leone! Soon I will be going through orientation, language learning, and culture learning. I can't believe I'm actually moving! It's been difficult saying my goodbyes, but I look forward to my new adventure.

If you have some extra time, check out my new blog post here! (http://amyformella.wixsite.com/amyonthefield/ single-post/2017/05/26/Leaving-and-Going) Blessings on your weekend! In Christ,

Amy Formella

# **Mission Moment**

Are you on facebook? Let's go viral for Jesus! We are starting a new way for you to share your faith! Each week a variety of posts will be made from Trinity's facebook page: events, maybe a reflection on last week's sermon, a verse, a picture with an encouraging message, or a question to promote discussion. Your job will be to pick out the ones you want to share with your family and friends, post them to your page, and make a comment. Or see an event that might interest your neighbor? Add his name to your share. "Thought you might like this!" "Interested?" Send an encouraging faith thought to a friend who is down in the dumps. Share the verse with someone who is sick. Look for the question ones, so you can get a faith conversation going with a friend. And every week on Thursdays, there will be a sneak peek into Sunday's sermon with an invite to join us in worship. If you share this on your facebook page, you are publically stating your faith. Sending it to friends with a "want to meet me there?!" is a great way to reach out! Not on Trinity's facebook page yet: Start today!

<u>TrinityLutheranChurchLP</u> Caps are not important but LP for Litchfield Park is. There are lots of Trinity Lutheran Churches out there in the world!