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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad that you are worshipping 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 109
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 111)

1st/2nd Grades
(Room 303)

3rd/4th Grades
(Room 403)

5th-8th Grades
(Room 402)

High School
The LIGHTLounge

(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 - 09/10/2017

The flowers this week are given to the glory of God!

7:30am	TRAD	92
9:00am	PRAISE	137
10:15am	PRAISE	136
11:30pm	BLENDED	81
6:00pm	TRAD	52
	TOTAL	498

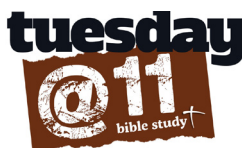


STUDY

You are invited to study God's holy Word with us as we strive to be biblically literate, doctrinally sound disciples. Pastor Bolte will be teaching 5 Bible studies this Fall:

THE BOOK OF REVELATION This class is held during the OASIS time slot on Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45pm. Using fantastic, graphic images from the Old Testament, the Lord reveals the how His People will be kept safe through the dangerous Last Days. Revelation gives us a Christian worldview and great comfort as we live each day in these End Times before Jesus' return on the Last Day.

The Book of Romans This class will be held on Tuesdays@11am. Martin Luther called Romans "the chief book in the New Testament and the purest Gospel." It is the New Testament's most thorough teaching on salvation and the Christian life. If you are free for an hour on Tuesday mornings, why not make this part of your weekly routine? Come and join us as we study God's Holy Word!



The Book of 1 Corinthians This class is held on Tuesday mornings from 7-7:30am. This is primarily a Trinity Lutheran School faculty Bible study, but if you want to join us, you are welcome! The class is abbreviated, and moves quickly. Class notes will be provided so that you can continue to study at home in more depth and with more time.



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

We will be hosting a 7 week new member class from Oct 1 – Nov 12; we will meet on Sunday afternoons at 4pm. This class is the route to membership here at Trinity. It is a concise review of the key doctrines of the Christian faith and a good chance to meet new people! Childcare is provided. Register online at <http://www.trinitylcs.org/about-us/new-members/> or contact Andi at amcdonald@Trinitylcs.org. **Begins Oct 01.**



Men of Faith--New Men's Group!

This men's group is designed to form Christian friendships, to study the Lutheran Confessions (the Book of Concord), and to serve the congregation. We are studying Luther's Large Catechism; you can join us at any time! As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another! PROV 27:17 MEN OF FAITH meet **Tuesdays at 6:30pm!**



Women's Monday Night Bible Study

A Man Named Martin Part 2: The Moment. This study examines the errant teachings and wayward traditions of the late Medieval Church that eventually sparked the Protestant Reformation. All women are invited to join us for study, growth and fellowship on the 1st and 3rd Mondays each month at 7pm at Karen Onstad's home. For more info call her at [623-935-4589](tel:623-935-4589) or Study Leader Karen Frusti at [602-828-2268](tel:602-828-2268). **Begins Sep 18!**



Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

- 8:45am (Room 301) **Adult Bible Study** w/ Pr. Les Self
- "**One Christ, Many Creeds**"
- We will be looking at Church of the Nazarene, Baptists, Mennonites, Seventh-Day Adventists, United Church of Christ, Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Pentecostalism/Assemblies of God & emerging churches.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

- 10:15am (Room 301) **Adult Bible Study** w/ Suzanne Suarez
- The Book of Revelation**
- We will be using "Journey Through God's Word."

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

In September, we will be diving into Jim Daly's book *When Parenting Isn't Perfect* from Focus on the Family. Contact Ruth Fisher to reserve a spot for free childcare. ([480-235-1473](tel:480-235-1473) or rfisher@trinitylcs.org)



BASICS

Our next class for those wanting to become a member at Trinity will begin on **Sunday, Oct 1st** and continue for 7 weeks from 4-5:15pm in the adult classroom that is directly off the sanctuary. This class is for you if...

- You are new to Trinity and would like to find out more about us and what we believe and teach.
- You have been around a long time, but have never attended the classes and been received formally.
- You have been a member of Trinity congregation forever and you just want to review your Lutheran doctrine and meet new families

It is our practice at Trinity to have all people wanting to join us in mission and ministry to attend this seven-week class; however, please be assured that there is never any pressure applied to become a member. You can register on line at www.trinitylcs.org by going to "Info Center" --> "New Members", or you can contact Andi at amcdonald@Trinitylcs.org or [623-935-4665](tel:623-935-4665) ext. 214



ADULTS

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

- Meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month 11:00am - 2:00pm
- Our next meeting on **Wednesday, Sep 27** will be in Room 301
- Bring a dish to pass
- Join us for Christian fellowship and a good time for all.

LWML Fundraiser

- We will be selling the "God's Creation" wall calendars as our fundraiser this year. Find the purple table to purchase one for yourself and a few to give as gifts! (\$10 each)

BAPTISM – God's miracle in your life!

If you are interested in information about baptism for you or your children, Ruth Fisher would love to talk to you! You can reach her at [480-235-1473](tel:480-235-1473) or rfisher@trinitylcs.org. There is no cost. This is a free gift that Jesus Himself wants you to have! Matthew 28:19-20.

NEWSFLASH!!!!

Trinity Lutheran Church is hosting a special screening of the new movie, *Martin Luther: The Idea That Changed The World*. This combination of drama and documentary focuses on Luther's search for the truth.; He found it in Scripture! We will show this movie one night only on Thursday, Oct 5th at 7:30pm at Harkins Gateway Pavilions 18 at 99th Ave and McDowell. Tickets must be purchased online for \$12 at <http://luthermovie.link/avondale>; however, if you prefer, you can reserve tickets by prepaying and Ruth will handle the online process for you. This is a crowd-sourced event which means YOU make it happen! We need 98 tickets sold by Sept 21st. So get tickets for you and your friends soon! This is a PG movie and appropriate for junior high & up.

LIFE CHAIN

Life Chain is a silent, pro-life witness that life is a gift from God, abortion kills children, and Jesus forgives all sins. In 2016, over 1600 "life chains" were held across the country. Here at Trinity, we will silently stand along Indian School (in front of the church) with a Life Chain sign each Sunday in October from 1:00pm-2:00pm. The signs have these messages: Abortion Kills Children, Jesus Forgives And Heals, Adoption: The Loving Option, and Abortion Hurts Women. Come and join us in this difficult work; bring a bottle of water, a lawn chair if you want, and "silently speak" for those who cannot speak for themselves. (Warning: you can expect to be heckled by passing motorists.) In this one hour each Sunday, we usually see over 500 cars drive by. If you have any questions, see Pastor Bolte.

Commemorate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation at St. Luke's in Mesa!

Local pastors and music groups will lead a worship service at **3pm on Oct 29th** with the theme, "A Life of Freedom." This uplifting experience will highlight Luther's emphasis on our freedom as Christians. It is for freedom that Christ has set us free! For more information, call [480-969-4414](tel:480-969-4414), or go to www.stlukemesa.com.



YOUTH/FAMILIES

First Grade Bible Presentation

Bible presentation is today @ 10:15am for Trinity School children, and Sunday, Oct 29 @ 11:30am for Sunday School children. It has been our tradition here at Trinity to give a Bible to each first grader. As they learn to read, we want them to have the most important book they will ever read: The Bible. Any first grader may participate. We will provide photos in the courtyard afterwards. Parents, if you have a second grader or older child who has not yet received a Bible or you will be out of town that day, please talk to Ruth Fisher. Thank you to all our Trinity church members for generously providing these Bibles through your faithful, weekly offerings!

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
 - 10:15 am – Sign-in at Sanctuary bldg - church
 - 10:30am – 11:15am – Bible Lessons in classrooms
 - Parents pick up from classrooms
- 3/4th grade, JR Youth (5th-8th grade), & High School**
 - 10:15am – Gather in their own classrooms for great Bible discussions with teachers and friends
- 3yrs-Kinder: Judy Bodnar & Jen Dalton, room 302**
- 1st/2nd: Karen Shanafelt & Trevor Wheeler, room 303**
- 3rd/4th: Sandi Simon & Tonya Waite, room 403**
- JR Youth (5th-8th grade): Jodi Hamill, room 402**
- Lesson 2: Solomon Builds the Temple (1 Kings 5-6)**
- High School: Lindsay & Travis Guiney, The LIGHT Lounge**
 - HS Class: will be unpacking what it means to build a biblical foundation for leadership in their friendships, youth group, and here at Trinity!

Jr. Youth 5th - 8th Grades

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- **OASIS (Confirmation)**
 - Larry Billar - 5th Grade - Room 502
 - Bruce Rogers - 6th Grade - Room 504
 - Ruth Fisher - JR Confirmation - Room 602
 - Vince Owen - SR Confirmation - Room 301
- **Save the Date: Pumpkins & Pizza**
 - Who: JR Youth (grades 5-8)
 - When: **Oct.29** from 12:30-2:30pm
 - What: Pumpkin Carvin' and Pizza Eatin'
 - Where: Little Lambs
 - Bring a pumpkin for carving and \$5 for pizza, drinks, and snacks

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 together and Plugged in the Word!
 - Meet us in the LIGHT Lounge
- **Donuts. An excuse to eat cake for breakfast.**
 - "We hope you enjoyed our first Coffee and Donut Cafe last week. We learned several ways we can make the process smoother and even more of a treat for you, so we're excited for our next Coffee and Donut Sunday. When will that be? We'll be back at it again on October 1. Mark your calendars!" ~Holly Murphy & Trinity's Youth Groups

Water and Punch will still be supplied by the Hospitality Committee on these Sundays.

Misc. SR Youth Events and Gatherings

- **Sep 24: Sunday FUNDay, 4-6:30pm**
- **Sep 30: Mountain-A-Month**
- **Oct 1: Coffee & Donut Cafe**

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

- **Luther Movie – Oct 5th**
 - We have a unique opportunity to take friends and relatives to the movies ... and discover together a man who was searching for peace. Martin Luther found that peace that passes all understanding in the love and forgiveness of our Savior Jesus Christ. He learned about in a book you have in your house! You can read it in your own language partly because God used Luther to translate the Bible into the language of the people. There are so many ways that Luther's struggles and life connect with ours and could lead to wonderful faith conversations.

- Parents, Luther's determination to do God's will in spite of what others said or did would make for excellent conversation with junior highers and teens on ways we can stand up for our faith in this world. Get your tickets online soon and invite friends and neighbors!
- See Ruth Fisher and this newsletter for all the details. <http://luthermovie.link/avondale>

What Lutherans Teach about the Bible

Lutherans teach that all of the Bible and each and every word of the Bible (the 39 Old Testament and 27 New Testament canonical books) was given by inspiration of God and is therefore the true and unerring Word of God (II Peter 1:21; II Tim. 3:16; I Cor. 2:13; John 10:35; 17:17). Lutherans also teach that God has faithfully preserved His Word through the centuries. (Psalm 119:89; Isaiah 40:8; I Peter 1:25; Matt. 24:14,35). Since all of the Bible is God's true and unerring Word, Lutherans teach that the Bible is to be the source and judge of all Christian Doctrine. What is not according to God's Word is not to be taught as Christian Doctrine (Isaiah 8:20; Jer. 23:28, 31-32; II Tim. 3:16-17; Acts 17:11). The Bible is to be its own interpreter; thus, passage interpretations which are not in accord with other clear passages of Holy Scripture are rejected (II Peter 1:20; Isaiah 8:20). Lutherans teach that the Bible should be diligently studied and heard; for it reveals to man the only way of salvation, which is through faith in Christ Jesus, and guides the Christian in living according to God's holy will (John 5:39; 20:31; II Tim. 3:15-17; Psalm 119:105). What Orthodox Lutherans Teach by Randall L. Moll

Bible Verse Word Search

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Jesus said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the Word of God and obey it."

Luke 11:28

(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)