

The Spirit of truth...

THE HOLY SPIRIT

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the holy spirit: the battle within

will testify about me.

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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 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 - 01/29/2017

7:30am	TRAD	113
9:00am	PRAISE	157
10:15am	PRAISE	171
11:30pm	BLENDED	81
6:00pm	TRAD	0
	TOTAL	522

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Dave and Karen Onstad on the occasion of their son Dan's birthday.

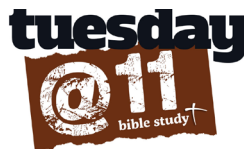


STUDY

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 1 Corinthians

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

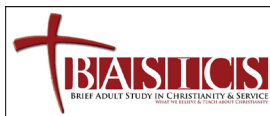
The Book of Acts

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 Jan at jreynolds@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

We will study Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, using the study guide from the God's Word for Today series at Karen Onstad's home. We meet the first and third Mondays of each month. 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



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

LWML

Saturday, Feb 18 - The congregation is invited to hear the presentation from Karen Hardekopf to learn about the LCMS Parish Nurse Program. Join us at 1 PM in the Sanctuary! Our LWML meeting will follow in Room 301.

Sunday, Feb 26 - All are welcome to join us for our "Adopt-A-Missionary" BRUNCH (8:30-11:30 AM) in the Little Lambs Room! Freewill donations will benefit Amy Formella, a Lutheran Bible Translator, heading to Sierra Leone. Sponsored by Thrivent and LWML!

2017 Car Show Meeting

- **Who:** JR & SR Youth, Parents, and other Volunteers
- **What:** Discuss the 2017 Spring Splash Car Show
- **Where:** Room 301
- **When:** TODAY at 11:30am

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

- Next meeting is Feb 22



'Let's Go!' Announces Its Next International Dinner!

Friday, Feb 17 - Our February event takes us to 'Carrabba's Italian Grill'. Pasta, breads and cheeses to your liking, to say nothing of 'vino' if necessary! 'Carrabba's' is located at 9920 W McDowell Road, Avondale. This is on the corner of McDowell and 99th Ave. in the Gateway Pavilions. We will gather at our usual 6:30PM. Please make your reservations by **Feb 16**. Call either Wilma Rupprecht: 630 888 4233 or Roxanne Bolte: 623 935 2339.

Blood Drive

- **TODAY!**
- Stop by Little Lambs and "find the hero in you!"
- Walk ins welcome!

MARRIAGE BY GOD'S DESIGN!

This helpful and fun small group will center around a video series with snippets of married couples in different stages of marriage. Expect lots of discussion and laughs! Come and meet other couples! Be encouraged! Enjoy some adult conversation while children are in free childcare! Starting **Thursday, Feb 23rd from 6:30pm – 8pm**. Led by Victor and Holly Lozano. Questions: contact rfisher@trinitylcs.org or call or text [480-235-1473](tel:480-235-1473). Please sign up with Ruth for childcare!

Offering Envelopes:

If you did not receive Offering Envelopes but would like to have a set, please contact our business office at chansen@trinitylcs.org. If you usually put a check in the offering plate without an offering envelope, please request a set to help ensure you receive donation credit. Thank you for your financial support of Trinity Lutheran Church and School.

Trinity's Praise Team...

...is looking for some more singers! If you just can't stop singing God's praises, then this is the place for you! Contact Juliann at the church office or come see her between Praise services on Sunday and let her know you are interested. She can answer your questions and let you know what the Praise Team does. Come join us!

PHX Suns Faith & Family Night

Who: ABSOLUTELY EVERYONE

When: **Thursday, March 2 at 5 PM**

Where: Talking Stick Resort Arena

What: This is an ALL AGES, MULTI-GENERATIONAL event! Our friends at several valley LC-MS churches will be bringing tons of youth and families from their churches, too! Invite your friends, classmates, neighbors!

Two ticket offers include PRE-GAME CONCERT by Satellites & Sirens (5pm), entry to Suns vs. Hornets game (7pm), a gift from the PHX Suns, and POST-GAME CONCERT by Cornerstone Band (10pm).

- TICKET OFFER #1 --> Upper Level: \$9
- TICKET OFFER #2 --> Lower Level: \$46
- Optional Food Voucher for \$7.50. It includes a hotdog, nachos, soda & popcorn. If you've been to a Suns game before, you know that a bottle of water alone is \$5.
- Email Laura Nelson (LNelson@TrinityLCS.org) the number of tickets you want, and pay her by Feb 15! We'll talk about carpooling, rides, etc. at the end of Feb.

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 Lounge

- **Lesson 6: Jesus Calls Disciples (Matthew 4:12-25)**

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
- **JR Youth at JumpStreet!**
 - Who: Grades 5-8 + friends!
 - **When: Feb. 19 from 1:00- 4:30pm**
 - Where are we meeting: in The LIGHT Lounge
 - Where are we jumping: JumpStreet Glendale
 - Cost: TOTALLY FREE (Bring extra money if you want snacks)
 - MUST turn in Permission Slip/Health Form
 - **MUST fill out a JumpStreet Waiver Online** ⇨ www.gotjump.com/azeventwaiver
 - **Important notes for the waiver: Feb 19, 2017, Trinity Lutheran Church, 2:00pm**
- **NEW JR Youth Leader**
 - Welcome Steve Bosma! Steve and his wife Cece are the parents of two of our JR Youthers, Hudson (8th) and Nicky (5th).
 - Steve is going to be a great addition to our current leader team ⇨ Heather Slater, Marlaina Mitchell, Marvin Waite, Zack Nelson and many background checked drivers/behind-the-scenes volunteers!

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

- Special Guest Leader Amy Formella, a missionary with Lutheran Bible Translators will be with us thru Feb. 15th! More info about Amy can be found here ⇒ <http://us.lbt.org/project/amy-formella/> Next week, Zack Nelson begins a new Bible Study series...you'll have to pop by to learn the topic on the 22nd!
- **Spring SPLASH Youth Marketing**
 - **Feb 19th from 1-2pm**
 - The HEMI Show
 - Glendale Community College -- 6000 W. Olive Ave., Glendale
 - Just a thought...If you want to meet for lunch first, text or talk to Zack Nelson ([515-864-6062](tel:515-864-6062))!
- **Misc. SR Youth Shenanigans**
 - **Feb. 12: Next Car Show Meeting**
 - **Feb. 12: Sunday FUNday**
 - **Feb. 18: Mountain-A-Month hike at Skyline Regional Park**
 - **Feb. 19: Spring SPLASH Youth Marketing at local car show**
 - **Mar. 2: Faith & Family Night**
 - **April 8: 5th Annual Spring SPLASH Car Show**
 - 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!

And God does not stop there. Jesus, in His great love for us, calls us to

“Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.” Luke 6:36

God sets us free to see people as He sees them - flawed and sinful just like us. The Holy Spirit is within us - filling us with God's love and power – the same love and power that led Jesus to the cross and broke open the grave forever for Him and us! Think this through. Talk to God about it. How will you show God's mercy this week?

(NOTE: If there is abuse, certainly we need to protect others and ourselves. Abuse hurts both the abused and the abuser. To allow it to continue helps no one. Jesus still calls us to forgive. It is possible to hold someone accountable for a crime and still forgive, setting us free from their power.)



MISSION

Reformation Celebration!

Would you like to be on a brainstorming team to explore possible Reformation events? We want to tell the community all around that “It's still all about Jesus!” Questions? Got an idea? Contact Ruth Fisher at rfisher@trinitylcs.org or call or text [480-235-1473](tel:480-235-1473). Let's have some fun with this!

A Huge Thank You from New Life Center (a refuge from domestic violence).

Many of the New Life families show up with just the clothes on their backs. When asked for a Wish List, 90% of the women request socks and underwear for their children and for themselves. Through the Angel Tree Ministry, Trinity is filling a huge need. New Life Center has asked Trinity to "keep doing what you are doing because it is greatly appreciated". Thank You!

Mission Moment

Difficult People – Life Changing Witness

We all have had difficult people in our lives. Sometimes it is a minor irritant. Sometimes it is downright frustrating or deep heart pain. How do you handle these people?!

We can go on the attack – causing even more damage, usually. We can hold grudges - poisoning our hearts and depleting our energy as we feed the pain within us.

Jesus has a life-changing, healing way of handling difficult people. He sets you free! You are not defined by anyone but God. You are a treasured, loved, forgiven child of God!

Bible Verse Word Search

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For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

Galatians 5:17

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