

April 2018 Trinity Trumpet

Worship 8:00 & 9:30 am

Nursery provided 7:45-10:45 am

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HOLY WEEK









WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday Worship

8:00am and 9:30am

Maundy Thursday Worship

2:00pm & 7:00pm

Good Friday Worship

2:00pm & 7:00pm

Easter Sunday

6:00am sunrise service on the patio 8:00am and 9:30am



Easter Flowers

If you would like to remember a loved one by donating an Easter flower to be displayed during worship on Easter, please complete the following information. Drop this form in the offering plate or mail it to the office along with \$10 per plant

Your name
In honor/memory of (circle one)
Amount enclosed \$

Council Update

Actual Budget
YTD Income \$69,164 \$77,547
YTD Expense \$75,981 \$77,547

2018 YTD Attendance 279 2017 YTD Attendance 268

The Council agenda, minutes and financials are posted on the mobile bulletin board on the patio for review.

Holy Trinity 2018 Church Council

Steve Loyer—President Barbara Carl Al Loveland Cheryl Jones—Vice President Bobbie Fishburn Brian Mosqueda Mary Larsen—Secretary Wink Heath John Snyder Ken Baker Bob Leitner Tony Stephens

Endowment Fund Committee News

By the time this newsletter goes live, there will still be about a week to submit your application for consideration in the Spring distribution of Endowment funds. If you have a cause that embodies the mission outreach of Holy Trinity – our commitment to aid local, national, and global communities – the submission deadline is **April 1st**. The application can be found on our website (htlutheran.com) under the "Give" heading. There are links to print the application from your computer to fill out manually, fill out and submit the application online, and tips on the preparation of the application.

The Endowment Fund Team Committee partnered with Pastor Chris for an End-of-Life Planning Seminar which took place on March 18th. By all accounts, the seminar was well received and quite informative. With such positive feedback, we are looking into presenting another End-of-Life Planning Seminar sometime late Fall. Please consider joining us – especially our young families – next time around.

We are grateful to the generous donors who have already provided for the Endowment Fund – they are the ones who have made our biannual distributions possible. Please consider the Endowment Fund in preparation of your wills and estate plans or in the sharing of a major gift bestowed upon you. By doing so, your legacy will help continue the good works of our Lord and Savior through the hearts and hands of Holy Trinity.

Teri Smithers, Michele Heath, Steve Brabec, Dan Meyer, & Richard Anderson



Sunday, April 22nd At 10:45 am

Sign up un the Tear n' Share or call the office at 480-963-4127.

Child care available on request.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A few weeks ago, I preached as sermon on Jesus turning over the tables in the temple (Matthew 21) and talked about how Jesus was upsetting the temple traditions. Some of these traditions, or as I called them "Sacred Cows" were preventing the Jewish people from seeing God and Jesus. These traditions were getting in the way. At one time these traditions seemed to make sense and were useful, but as time went on, these traditions needed to be changed, One of my favorite books is Sacred Cows Make Gourmet Burgers, by William M. Easum and it talks about this very thing.

A sacred cow is an idea, custom, or institution held to be above criticism. Since that sermon people have joked with me, "their goes another sacred cow" All of us have sacred cows! And I was reminded of this after council in March, that I have my own sacred cows. One member jokingly suggested that we don't need to have communion every week and we could save on time, well that got me fired up, and he said. "I found your sacred cow." Yes, we all have them, and some of them are useful, and some hold us back as a people and as a congregation.

All of us are people who like tradition and like routine. I am no different! But when our "sacred cows" get in the way of our closeness to Jesus and us living out our faith, it may be time to butcher the sacred cow and find something new and life giving. I have found this congregation to be very open to trying new things and looking at the world in new ways in order to make the Gospel known to our community! I give thanks to Pastor Lee, Pastor Scott and to Val who have left that legacy.

Someone said to me after that sermon, and after I talked about the sacred cows concerning our preferred seats in worship and our worship times, that they could smell a burger grilling and a cow being butchered. Well, yes! Council, Worship and Music and Faith Formation have been, and continue to be in faithful conversation about all these things. The worship experts say that if a worship service is more than 80% full, visitors will feel uncomfortable and will probably not stay. So if that is the case, we have a problem at the 9:30 service. We are more than 80% full. As a staff we have tried to help the situation by placing the choir behind the piano so that they do not take up pews, we have added some seats in the back, but we are still a little too full for a visitor to feel comfortable? We know when the temperatures goes up, and our winter visitors return home, this will not be as big a problem. Their will be more room, but the problem will arise again next fall and winter, so we are beginning to have the conversation now about what to do about next fall.

What can you do to help in the meantime?

- Try worshipping at the 8:00 AM service! Some of you have already done this! Thank you for that! You have made some more room for our visitors. I encourage you to do that especially on Easter Morning. Come to Sunrise, come at 8:00 AM and make room for a visitor! We will be worshipping in the sanctuary this year at 8:00 and 9:30 and outside at Sunrise.
- Try moving to another seat in the sanctuary if yours is already taken. You will have the opportunity to meet some new folks! And move into the middle of the pew, so people don't have to climb over you to get to a seat. I know it is nice to be on the end, but it is uncomfortable for a visitor to have to climb over people they don't know.

Give some feedback to your council members and to the Worship and Music team. We would love to hear your suggestions on making Holy Trinity a more welcoming place for our visitors;

Our mission is to Worship, Grow and Serve. We are called to do this by making God's love known in the world and inviting others to join us in that mission.

God's Peace, Pastor Chris

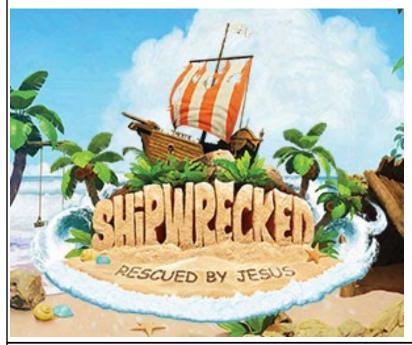


Join us for a continental breakfast Easter Breakfast between services on Easter morning! Provided by Holy Trinity's Cursillo Community.

VBS at St Matthew's Episcopal church

http://

www.saintmatthewsfamilyministry.com/ VaCation-bible-school.html



June 18-22 - 9a-12p

\$40 per Child pre-register \$120 max cost per family

\$45 per child for walk-up registrants the week of VBS

\$10 for the music CD

Hidden Treasures Thrift Store 610 N Alma School Ste 30 Chandler, AZ 480 857-8310 Like us on Facebook April 2018



Thank you for your support during our 10th anniversary celebration. We have several volunteers and shoppers who have been with us all 10 years! In addition to our anniversary, we will soon be celebrating the purchase of our new (used) truck. Thank you to all who helped with your money and attending our event at Fresh Millions.

Department Spotlight: Children's Department; The children's department has clothing from newborn to size 16. Some of the newborn clothing items are only \$.50. In addition, we have puzzles, games and a variety of toys. In this department you will often find, strollers, baby bathtubs and beds etc.

Have you heard about our new tag sales? At the beginning of each month, tags are rotated and moved to a new discount. The first discount is 25%, the next color 50% and the last 75% off. This discount applies to furniture, clothes, purses, linens - Anything in the store with the appropriate colored tag. Check the sign hanging from the ceiling above blouses or ask any volunteer.

As our winter volunteers begin to depart for the summer, we will be looking for new volunteers -perhaps just for the summer. Most volunteers work 4 hours a week. Many things to do. Donations needed: Books; children's, mystery, and westerns,

Donations needed: Crafts; sewing notions, kids crafts,



Women of all ages, coming together to connect through fellowship, support and spiritual growth.



Saturday April 14th 11a-1p

Women's Ministry Potluck Event

A-I bring MAIN DISH; J-R bring SIDE DISH; S-Z bring DESSERT

Cost is \$5 for Craft Supplies RSVP-Tear N Share or to Darcy



Join us for our monthly planning meeting the first Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm in the office conference room. We could use your talents and gifts planning our year to come!

Thank You To All Who Helped With Our Day of Service! We had over 150 Volunteers Doing God's Work with Our Hands!!



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Join us for Food, Beverages and Hymns

April 16th at 6:30 pm

1455 W Elliot Rd #101, Gilbert

RSVP required. Sign up on the tear and share.

Hymns
at
1455
American
Grille



Christ Centered
Cancer Care

"LEAVING A LEGACY"... Whether You've Had Cancer or Not!

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church hosts

Lynne Hartke

author of *Under a Desert Sky: Redefining Hope,*Beauty, and Faith in the Hardest Places and **Voice of Hope** with the American Cancer Society

SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2018 9AM – 11AM



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church • Youth Fundraiser

GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018

6:00 a.m. Check-In 7:30 a.m. Shotgun Start Sonoran Lunch Menu

San Marcos Golf Course

100 N. Dakota Street Chandler, AZ 85225



Format is a 4-person scramble.

Teams can be made up of men, women, or couples.

There will be a first and second place award in all 3 categories.

Entry fee of \$90.00 per person includes

18 holes of golf, cart, Sonoran style lunch and prizes, favors for longest drive, closest to the pin and longest putt.

Register by March 15 for early entry fee of \$80.00 per person Register a Foursome for entry fee of \$85.00 per person Any golfer under 16 or over 60 • entry fee of \$75.00 per person

GREAT RAFFLE ITEMS!

One Week in Sedona • Flat Screen TV • Golf Clubs • and MORE!

Raffle Tickets and Mulligans will be available at check-in.

REGISTRATION

GOLFER NAME	EMAIL ADDRESS	PHONE	AMOUNT
1			\$
2		-	\$
3		_	\$
4			\$
Hole Sponsorship: \$125	5	-	\$
Sponsor/Co. Name		TOTAL	\$
Address			
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Raffle Donation Item			

All groups less than a foursome will be assigned by Committee.

Send names and entry fees to: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church • 739 W. Erie St. • Chandler, AZ 85225 Attention: James "Tony" Stephens • Any questions please call 480-200-8300

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 28, 2018

Payment must accompany the entry form.



March-April

Children, Youth & Family News





A New Year—A New Thing—If you have youth in 6th-12th grade, we are going to be meeting on a regular basis (weekly) on a Sunday late afternoon from 4:30p-6:00p. *However, the second Sunday will remain Confirmation from 2:30p-6:30p and Sr. High Youth Night from 6:00p-8:00p*).

On Sundays—we will meet from 4:30p-6:00p with a light dinner/snacks at 5:30p

Date	Theme/Activity	Food	What you need to know
Mar. 25	Easter Egg Hunt with little kids	Snacks	Bring a doz. Hardboiled eggs to color
Apr. 1	No Youth Group—Happy Easter	No Youth Group	No Youth Group
Apr. 8	REGULAR Conf. Class/Youth Night	Missy Dosmann	
Apr. 15	Youth Group	Pizza	Campus Ministry Partnership
Apr. 21	NOTE DATE CHANGE—FMSC	None	Register on Tear N Share or to Darcy
Apr. 29	No Youth Group—Happy Easter	No Youth Group	No Youth Group



Congratulations to Landon Fox, Nathan Kucenski, Abigail Ladd and Easton Sutton for going through First Communion Training so that they can receive their First Communion on Thursday, March 29th at the 7:00p service.

Saturday-April 21st at 4:30p-6:30p; Holy Trinity has reserved 25 spots to pack meals. Please register with Darcy or on the Tear and Share. All families are welcome to serve. Questions, please contact Darcy. YOUTH GROUP will have first chance to sign up. Parents are welcome to serve as well. The address is 1345 S. Alma School Rd, Mesa. Suggested donation of \$50, give as you can.





Preschool through 5th grade and PARENTS are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by our Jr High/Sr High Youth on Sunday, March 25th at 4:30 p.m. Bring 1 dozen hardboiled eggs to color. There will be crafts, snacks, and an egg hunt. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Darcy—darcy@htlutheran.com or 480-963-4127 ext. 114.

You won't want to miss this EGG-stravaganza! Lots of fun, food, and fellowship!

April 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 EASTER SUNDAY	2 Office Closed	3	4	5	6	7
6:00 am Worship 8:00 am Worship 9:30 am Worship	5:30 pm OA 7:00 pm Council Meeting 7:30 pm AA	5:30 pm OA 7:00 pm CA 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir	6:30 am Bible Study 9:00 am Bible Study 4:00 pm Scouts 6:30 pm Prayer Shawls 7:00 pm Handbells	8:30 am Quilters 6:00 pm Women's Plan- ning Meeting	6:15 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am AlAnon	9:00 am AA 10:00 am OA
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15 8:00 am Worship	16	17	18 Ash Wednesday	19	20	21
9:15 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 10:45 am Town Hall Meeting 4:30 pm Youth Group	1:00 pm Staff Meeting 5:30 pm OA 6:30 Hymns at 1455 American Bar and Grill 7:30 pm AA	5:30 pm OA 7:00 pm CA 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir	6:30 am Bible Study 9:00 am Bible Study 4:00 pm Scouts 6:30 pm Prayer Shawls 7:0 pm Handbells	8:30 am Quilters 7:30 pm AA	6:15 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am AlAnon	9:00 am AA 10:00 am OA 4:30 pm Feed My Starving Children
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 10:45 New Member Class 4:30 pm Youth Group	1:00 pm Staff Meeting 5:30 pm OA 6:30 pm Christ Centered Cancer Care 7:30 pm AA	5:30 pm OA 7:00 pm CA 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir	6:30 am Bible Study 9:00 am Bible Study 4:00 pm Scouts 6:30 pm Prayer Shawls 7:00 pm Handbells	7:30 pm AA	6:15 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am AlAnon	9:00 am AA 10:00 am OA
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Among us —Those who have been in our prayers this past month.



Please pray for: Illness: Geri DeJohn; Liz Black's friend, Lynne; Ned Sorg; Clair Drilling; The Jefferson's sister-in-law, Jean Wendt; Carolan Quenneville's brother, James Hosfelt; The Gloe's relative, Kari Spruyt; Patty Montgomery; Shelli Regoli's friend, Tiffany Tate; Ned Sorg; Julaine Buchholz's sister, Gloria Jensen; Evelyn Sigmundczik; Mary Larsen's mother-in-law, Elinor Larsen; Mary Larsen's friend, Carly Marquez; Chip Piehl's brother-in-law, Fred Anania; DeDe Buechler's friend, Kathy Anderson; Surgery: LeRoy Rohrbach; The Baker's friend Bob Banuski; Karen Ewart; Pat Torgerson; DeDe Buechler's brother-in-law, Nick Rasic; Harvey Knudson; Darren Wiste; Steve Keinath; Liz Black; Marlys Dierks; Sara Lotz-Godby's husband, Desmond Godby; Grief: Rebecca Mosqueda & family following the death of her uncle; Gayle Riggert-Harris & family following the death of her mother; Steve Schebler & family following the death of his father; Family & friends of Pauline Becker following her death; Family & friends of Kerry Lopin following her death; Doug Barnes and family following the death of his mother, Wilma Barnes; Carolyn Searls following the death of her niece;

Reminder: The next newsletter deadline is March 11th by 9:00 am.