



## *May 2018 Trinity Trumpet*

**Worship 8:00 & 9:30 am**

Nursery provided 7:45–10:45 am

**HOLY TRINITY**  
Lutheran Church

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# **New Worship Times**

**For the Summer  
(Starting May 27th)**

**One Service Only  
At 8:30 am**

**Then in the Fall  
(Starting September 16th)**

**8:30 and 10:00 am  
Sunday School at 8:30 am**

## Council Update

	Actual	Budget
YTD Income	\$115,114	\$123,750
YTD Expense	\$117,206	\$123,750

2018 YTD Attendance 272

2017 YTD Attendance 261

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On April 8th, six members of Holy Trinity, embarked on a mission trip to Galveston Bay, specifically Dickinson, Texas where we worked with Fuller Disaster Rebuilders. During our week stay, we helped to rehab a house that had been filled with four feet of flood water and had been gutted down to the studs. By the time we arrived, much of the work had been completed, but we worked on kitchen cabinetry and counters, painting, dry walling, bathroom tiling, along with other assorted tasks.



The most rewarding part of the trip, was the meeting of the homeowners, an elderly couple, who were rescued by boat, and have been out of their home for eight months. They have been staying in a local apartment, with minimal furniture on a second floor, which was difficult for the couple to traverse. They might have stayed with their daughter, had her house not also flooded during Hurricane Harvey. This couple came by, almost daily to deliver donuts and to thank us for the work that was being done, their eyes filled with tears as they accepted their quilts and prayer shawls made by members of Holy Trinity. There was about one more weeks worth of work before they would be able to get back in their home. To know that we made just a little difference in their lives was gratifying,

In Matthew 22:34- 40, a lawyer asked Jesus the question, "Which is the great commandment in the law?" Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, this is the great and first commandment. And the second is like it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets."

Our faith is based on love. It motivates us and calls us to action. Love is more than a warm fuzzy feeling, love is an action word. We are called to live out our faith using our hands and feet to serve one another, even if it makes us uncomfortable and vulnerable. None of us from the trip came back free of cuts and bruises and fatigue, but we all came back grateful for the opportunity to serve our neighbor and hear their stories. We saw God's light shining as neighbors were helping neighbors, churches were housing work crews, flood victims appreciating what they still had, family, friends, their own lives. You don't have to go to Texas to love and serve your neighbor, there are opportunities right here in our own community as we reach out to those in need, not just physically but emotionally, loving caring and actively listening to one another.

Upon our return we will continue to look for ways to serve and love our neighbor near and far. We choose love. We choose joy.

Pastor Chris

## **CHRIST'S VICTORY**

By Carrie Shields

**The rock rolled away  
Shared with me *victory* that day.**

**Linens lay folded still  
Jesus resurrected; God's will.**

**Guilt, sin, death are no more  
I am who Jesus died for.**

**I cannot fully understand  
Why God did this for my sinful hand.**

**HE did choose the nails for the love of me.  
Eternal life, love everlasting, I am free.**

### **SPIRITUAL JOY**

#### ***A Monthly Message from the Stewardship Ministry Team***

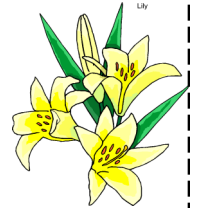
“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters.” In these words, from Genesis, the writer is telling God’s people that God’s Spirit is such a powerful force that it can create a world from nothing. Throughout the Old Testament and into the New Testament those who told the story of God remind readers of the Spirit of God that will move and enable miraculous things to occur. One such story is found in the Book of Ezekiel. In this amazing story found in chapter 37, Ezekiel the prophet of the Lord finds himself in a valley of dry bones. He has been led there by God, who wants to make it clear to him that even though Ezekiel sees his situation and that of his people as hopeless, all is not lost. In dramatic fashion, Ezekiel witnessed the power of God’s Spirit when the bones began to come alive as muscles begin to grow upon them through the breath of God. The disciples witnessed the same Spirit of God enter into them on the Day of Pentecost – a Spirit that will enable them to speak the life-giving word of God in languages that were not their own but heard by people from many nations in words they could understand.

God can do amazing things. Holy Trinity has witnessed the power of God’s Spirit moving in and around our community of faith. Not too long ago, many believed that we were in the throes of despair. Members were leaving, attendance was falling, money was tight, and joy was lacking. Yet, like Ezekiel, we have witnessed a renewed spirit of joy enter into our community of faith. New members have been received, attendance is on the rise, giving is growing, and joy has returned. God’s spirit is moving among the people of Holy Trinity and is making the dry bones of hopelessness come alive with renewed energy.

Never doubt what God can do. God’s Spirit is moving in you. God’s Spirit is moving in Holy Trinity. God’s Spirit is enabling ministry to happen. We are doing God’s work with our hands. The Spirit of Joy is present. Dry bones have become living, breathing, and serving human beings and because God has sent His Spirit into us. Thanks be to God for this gift of a generous portion of His Holy Spirit.



## *Thank You To All Who Donated Flowers To Beautify Our Church For Easter*



*John & Andrea Snyder in honor of the Glory of God*

*Carolyn Searls in memory of Carol Steven Fanton*

*Murilyn Racine in memory of Jack & Kevin Racine*

*Kathy DeNoyer in memory of her husband, Wilbert DeNoyer*

*Raphael & Patricia Moreno in memory of Robert & Dorothy Brown*

*Jan Timmerman in memory of her husband, Herb Timmerman*

*Bob & Kristine Filz in memory of their parents, Mr & Mrs Merrill Filz & Mr & Mrs Ray Potter*

*Becky Berenyi in memory of her father, Marvin Bashaw*

*Becky Berenyi in memory of her mother, Sally Bashaw*

*Jenny Bernot in memory of Fred & Esther Hinz*

*Jenny Bernot in memory of Harold & Kay Keekley*

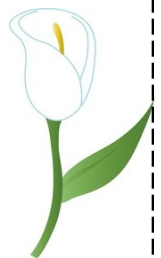
*Jenny Bernot in memory of Helen Bernot*

*Jim & Marilyn Zeller in memory of George & Elizabeth Kozak*

*Jim & Marilyn Zeller in memory of Roy & Thelma Zeller*

*Joan Milbrath in memory of her parents, Bud & Lorraine Virden*

*Allan & DeDe Buechler in memory their mothers, Mary Calvano & Edna Buechler*



### **Endowment News**

The Endowment Fund Committee is happy to announce the recipients of the Spring distribution of funds: Holy Trinity's Houston/Galveston Mission Team for ground transportation, Lutheran Campus Ministry for their annual Labor Day retreat for college students, Hidden Treasures to help fund the purchase of a new truck for pick up of donations, and the PEVF Peer Mentoring Program in Senegal to support their outreach as they have lost their funding. Congratulations to each of these organizations/teams and many thanks to them for making a difference in so many lives!

The Endowment Fund Committee is able to award funds biannually because of those who have generously given through various means. We are grateful to have had such generosity within Holy Trinity to be able to share God's good works throughout our community, nation, and world. We encourage you to consider the Endowment Fund in your giving to help continue these good works. Please contact an Endowment Fund Committee member to find out the various ways you can give to the Endowment Fund.

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

## LATINO MINISTRY OUTREACH

At the town hall meeting on, April 12, the possibility of a Latino Ministry was discussed. This ministry was discussed in the Ministry Profile Site profile that was developed as part of the call process. Over the last few months, the council has gathered the demographics from this area and found that 51% of those in this community are Latino. The council has also invited the Director of Evangelical Mission of the Grand Canyon Synod, Miguel Gomez-Acosta, to come and talk to the church council about Latino ministry opportunities. He has recommended that we hire a person, for a year, to explore the potential for a Latino ministry here at Holy Trinity and in this community. This position would be partially subsidized by the ELCA and Grand Canyon Synod.

As a result, a task force has been put together to explore the possibility. This task force will be examining the following: immediate funding and long term funding needs, potential staffing models and how this fits in with our ministry at Holy Trinity. Before any decisions are made concerning this ministry, we will be making a presentation to the congregation of Holy Trinity and receive feedback concerning the plan, once one has been made. Please look for more town hall meetings in the near future, and don't hesitate to contact Pastor Chris or Steve Loyer with any input you may have.



## **Men on the Mountain #25 (yes 25) June 14-17, 2018 Brookbank Point Camp Site Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest**

\$10 per person (\$25 max. per family) to cover expenses

Saturday morning community breakfast served and evening "Pot Luck" dinner so bring a dish to share

Saturday night church service

Annual Weekend Horse Shoe Tournament & Long Ball Contest (*bring your bat!*)

Port-a-potty supplied <<bring plenty of water>>

**DIRECTIONS:** Take 87 North to Payson. Take 260 towards the top of the RIM (right at McDonalds). Continue on 260 past the Woods Canyon Lake and Canyon Point exits. Take the Black Canyon Lake exit on your right (300). The HLC campsite should be approximately 1 mile on you left. Look for signs just in case last minute changes are required.

# May 2018

**Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat**

<b>6</b> Chandler CARE Food Box 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 10:45 am W & M Mtg 10:45 am F Form Mtg 4:30 pm Youth Group	<b>7</b> 1:00 pm Staff Meeting 5:30 pm OA 6:30 pm Thealeogy 7:00 pm Council Meeting 7:30 pm AA	<b>8</b> 9:00 am Martha Circle 5:30 pm OA 7:00 pm CA 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir	<b>9</b> 6:30 am Bible Study 9:00 am Bible Study 4:00 pm Scouts 6:30 pm Prayer Shawls 6:30 pm Handbells	<b>10</b> 6:30 pm Community Outreach Meeting 6:00 pm Women's Planning Meeting 7:30 pm AA	<b>11</b> 6:15 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am AIAnon	<b>12</b> 7:30 am Golf Tournament 9:00 am AA 10:00 am OA
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<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Office Closed	<b>29</b> 5:30 pm OA 7:00 pm CA 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		
8:30 am Worship	5:30 pm OA 7:30 pm AA	5:30 pm OA 7:00 pm CA	6:30 pm Prayer Shawls	7:30 pm AA		





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

<u>GOLFER NAME</u>	<u>EMAIL ADDRESS</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____
2. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____
3. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____
4. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____
Hole Sponsorship: <input type="checkbox"/> \$125 <input type="checkbox"/> \$150 <input type="checkbox"/> \$200 <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			\$ _____
Sponsor/Co. Name _____			TOTAL \$ _____
Address _____			
City _____		Zip _____	
Contact Name _____		Phone _____	
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.*





# The-ale-ogy

*Food, beverages and  
discussion on theological topics*

**Mondays at 6:30p  
1455 American Grille**

**Begins May 7<sup>th</sup> – RSVP on Tear n' Share**

**FEED MY  
STARVING  
CHILDREN**



**Saturday – April 21<sup>st</sup> (4:30p-6:30p)**

1345 S. Alma School Road – Mesa

Sign up on Tear n' Share or with Darcy



Hidden Treasures Thrift  
Store

610 N Alma School Ste 30  
Chandler, AZ  
480 857-8310

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May 2018

Winter visitors: we wish you a safe trip home and hope you enjoy your summer. Thank you for your support this year. See you in the Fall.

To all our wonderful year-round residents, Thank you for your continued support even in the heat of summer. Everyone makes a difference.

Department Spotlight: KITCHEN: Take time to roam through the kitchen area. You will find complete sets of dishes, many side dishes, coffee pots, baking dishes and utensils of every kind. And many styles of water bottles, some even have carriers.

We are looking for an electrician who would be willing to donate time to diagnosis the problem on our large "Thrift Store" sign. If the problem is small we will pay to have it fixed. If you have questions call the store. 857-8310

**Volunteer Opportunities**

Does your schedule relax during the summer? Would you like to meet new people and make a difference at the same time? Hidden Treasures would love to have you join us for the summer. Most people work 4 hours a week, but we can keep you as busy as you would like. Come make a difference and have some fun.

Donations needed. Books: Children's, westerns, science fiction, fiction and mystery. Puzzles and games for all ages. Crafts: sewing notions, crafts for children



5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Service Project  
Diaper Drive - April 29<sup>th</sup>

Please bring a box of diapers/wipes to assist local children in need.

All sizes welcome but especially sizes 4, 5, 6.



Donations to be distributed by the FANS Diaper Bank

Go to  
[smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)

Type in "Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Chandler"

Bookmark that page so every time you shop on Amazon .5% of your purchase is donated to Holy Trinity.

You can now give to Holy Trinity when buying items from Amazon!

**Galveston School needs our help!**

Saturday Morning , May 19<sup>th</sup>

Packing boxes and cleaning up classrooms in preparation of new carpeting.

Sign up on the patio!



# VBS at St Matthew's Episcopal Church

<http://>

[www.saintmatthewsfamilyministry.com/  
vacation-bible-school.html](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



**Women's Ministries of**

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**

*Women of all ages, coming together to connect*

Thank you for attending  
the Spring Tea.

Your generous donations went to  
help the Domestic Violence Shelter,  
a part of The New Leaf  
Organization.

They appreciated all the items.

If you would like to be part of the Women's  
Ministry Planning Team join us on the 1st  
Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm.





# April-May

## Children, Youth & Family News



We are winding down Youth Group for the 2018 School Year. *Thank you for being a part of Youth Group.*

*We will begin back up in August.*

Date	Theme/Activity	Food	What you need to know...
Apr. 21	NOTE DATE CHANGE—FMSC	None	Email Darcy if you are interested
Apr. 29	Plan for 2018-2019 school year		Meet at church 4:30p-6:00p
May 6	Meet at Main Event—Gilbert	Bring \$\$\$ for food	4:30p-6:00p at Main Event—Gilbert
May 13	Happy Mother's Day—NO YOUTH	No Youth Group	NO YOUTH GROUP
May 20	Year End Pool Party	Bring a snack	
	Have a GOOD Summer!		Meet back on August 5 @ 4:30p



**Abigail Ladd  
Nathan Kucenski  
Easton Sutton  
Landon Fox**

**Congratulations!**



**Great job  
YOUTH for  
leading  
worship on  
Sunday,  
April 15th.**

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#### THE TRINITY TRUMPET

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### ***Among us ——Those who have been in our prayers this past month.***



***Please pray for: **Illness:***** Michelle Heath's dad, Alex Vargo; Judy Morrill; Maryann Lear; Wayne Engstrand; Shelley Regoli; Cheri Myers brother, Gary Lundeen; Dorothy Ludwig's friend, Aurora Mejia; Renee Dierks; 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; Richard Anderson's friend, Rita Bartels; ***Surgery:*** Rita Ford; The Buechler's niece, Jodi Buechler; Natalie Holmberg; LeRoy Rohrbach; The Baker's friend Bob Banuski; Dave Tjosvold; ***Grief:*** The Shields' friends, Larry Gonzales following the death of his wife and Kathleen Makowski following the death of husband; Tina Lindsay following the death of her friend, Faye Neely; Cheri Myers & family following the death of her sister-in-law, Ruth Lundeen; Carolyn Searls following the death of her niece; ***Other:*** Donna Tennison, Sue Korecky and Gayle Alvar on Cursillo Team.

Reminder: The next newsletter deadline is November 14th by 9:00 am.