



November 2018 Trinity Trumpet

Worship 8:30 & 10:00 am

Nursery provided 8:15–11:15 am

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Lutheran Church

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Commitment Sunday, November 11, 2018 Celebration & Lunch

The Stewardship Committee invites you to gather and celebrate “with joy” your commitment to Holy Trinity at a catered lunch following the second service.

Join your friends and church family when we announce this year’s total commitments received and rejoice in a new year of “choosing joy.”

Luther Fest Is Back!

JOIN US OCTOBER 28TH



WORSHIP AT
8:30 & 10:00 AM

FOLLOWED BY
MUSIC, FOOD & GAMES
ON THE PATIO & CLC

FOOD AND DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED.
SIGN UP ON THE PATIO TO HELP OR TO
BRING YOUR FAVORITE DESSERT (GERMAN
OR OTHERWISE)!



Council Update

	Actual	Budget
YTD Income	\$337,757	\$371,250
YTD Expense	\$358,995	\$371,250

2018 YTD Attendance 214
2017 YTD Attendance 239

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God, Philippians 3.

It is hard to believe it is November and we are approaching another Thanksgiving and Christmas. Just last week someone asked me what my favorite holiday was. I had to admit that I don't think I have one. There is so much pressure around holidays that sometimes it just takes the fun out of the day.

But as I reflected more closely on it, I think it would be Thanksgiving. There is so much to be thankful for. Not that every day is easy, or there aren't things in my life which can be difficult, but I am grateful each day for family and friends. And the Thanksgiving holiday does give us some time to sit back, reflect, and give thanks for all that God has done for us.

Over the next few weeks, we will be giving thanks, as a congregation, for what God has done for us as we are invited to make a pledge towards God's work here at Holy Trinity. And here at Holy Trinity, there is much to give thanks for. I am always amazed with the ministry that is done at Holy Trinity and what continues to be done. In addition to the wonderful ministries of HAT, Habitat for Humanity, food collections, endowment gifts, etc. this campus is used seven days a week, sometimes for ministries organized and run by Holy Trinity, and sometimes we give others a space to meet. Each time we do so we are being a welcoming and loving community to our neighbors. These groups include the boy scouts, girl scouts, NA, AA, OA, etc. These groups are so thankful for the opportunity to meet here and they are serving our neighbors.

We do this, not because we want to earn our way into heaven, but to respond to what Christ has already done for us. How can you even begin to repay a God who sacrificed His son for us. Every time I share my gifts of time, talent or treasure, I receive ten-fold back what I have given.

The stewardship theme this year is "I choose joy." I pray that you find joy as you respond to what God has first given you.

Peace,
Pastor Chris



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

On All Saint's Day, celebrated this year on **November 4th**, we will take time to remember the people in our lives who let God's light shine through them. They may be children, spouses, parents, grandparents, or friends. This year, we will be chanting the names of those from Holy Trinity who have entered the church triumphant since last All Saint's Sunday. In addition, you will have the opportunity to light a candle for a

Saint in your life who has had God's light shine through them and is now resting in the arms of Jesus. Join us on November 4th for this special worship service.



October 27th

7:00 am to noon

All hands are needed!

We'll be doing a little bit of fix up
and a lot of clean up!

CHOOSING JOY THROUGH DOING !

A monthly message from your Stewardship Ministry Team

In his first and only inaugural address on January 20, 1961, John F. Kennedy spoke these words: ***“ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country.”*** These words not only echoed across the acres of ground that spanned the distance from the U.S. Capital Building to the Washington Monument on that cold January day but reverberates till this day some fifty-seven years later. On that day President Kennedy was asking the millions who heard him speak those words, to put the interests of their country ahead of their own personal wants and desires.

During the next few weeks all members of Holy Trinity will be asked to ponder these words but phrased a little differently: ***“ask not what your God can do for you, ask what you can do for your God.”*** God has blessed us beyond measure. God has given us resources and talents to make a difference in the lives of our community of faith. God has made it possible for each and every member of Holy Trinity to be a force for good in the world. By choosing to share your joy through your monetary resources, lives will be changed, and the good news of God's love will be shared.

As members of the Stewardship Ministry Team we are confident that you will take to heart the words that ***“ask not what your CHURCH can do for you, but what you can do for your CHURCH”***, and be a willing participant in enabling the mission and ministry of Holy Trinity to be a force for good, not just in 2019, but in the decades to come.

Congregational Meeting

November 4th

11:15 am

**To vote on approving the
new Youth Leader/Outreach
position.**



When: Oct. 21st

Where: Holy Trinity Patio

Please bring homemade items to the church before the start of the 8:30 service or no later than the start of the second service. Please prepackage and make sure items with nuts are labeled. We would also welcome homemade salsa, jellies, and jams.

**KITCHEN
KEEPERS
NEEDED**

Our kitchens are used for ministry! And they need a little loving care.

Sign up for a month and help us

- clean out the clutter on the counters
- empty the fridge
- Let Judi know what supplies we need

And make sure everything is in order.

Sign up on the patio.
A list of duties is there!

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YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Remember those days as a young adult, perhaps fresh out of high school, perhaps a few years out of high school? Those are times of newfound freedoms and waters that can be hard to manage. Some go straight into college, some commit to the military and some find a different path to begin their newfound freedoms. As a church, we need to support them and remind them that God is present in everything and everyone and show them that. If you would like to help suggest, shape and mold how this committee can support our young adults, please contact Patty Loyer at 4480-861-9820 or email her at pattyloyer@cox.net.

CHRIST CENTERED CANCER CARE

Monday, November 26, 2018

6:30pm, Classroom A

Guest Speaker: Pastor Chris Stoxen, MSW

Pastor, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Chandler, AZ

“Managing the Holidays and Expectations That Accompany Them”

Join our CCCC team and **Pastor Chris** as she discusses some of the expectations around the holidays and some useful hints to help us enjoy this period!

“For those whose lives have been touched by cancer through personal experience, caregiving, or helping family or friends”



24218 S
Oakwood Blvd
Sun Lakes
(public
restaurant)

Thursday
November 8th
10:00 AM

COFFEE AND
CONVERSATION

November 2018

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 8:30 am Quilters 6:00 pm Women's Planning Meeting 6:30 pm Bible Study 7:30 pm AA	2 6:15 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am AlAnon	3 9:00 am AA 10:00 am OA
4 Chandler CARE Food Box 8:30 am Worship 8:30 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Congregational Meeting 4:30 pm Youth Group	5 10:00 am Staff Meeting 5:30 pm OA 7:00 pm Council Meeting 7:30 pm AA	6 5:30 pm OA 7:00 pm CA 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir	7 6:30 am Bible Study 9:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Scouts 6:30 pm Handbells 6:30 pm Prayer-Shawls	8 6:30 pm Bible Study 7:30 pm AA	9 6:15 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am AlAnon	10 9:00 am AA 10:00 am OA	
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HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Music in the Neighborhood

PROST!

A Tour of German & Austrian Song
Friday, October 26th 2018
7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

MUSICAL BRIDGES

Connecting Jazz & Baroque Piano Music
Friday, November 16th 2018
7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room

NAVIDAD EN ESPAÑA

Spanish & Seasonal Favorites for Guitars & Piano
Friday, December 21st 2018
7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary



Habitat
for Humanity®

**Our 21st Habitat house kicks off
this month.
Please help us build it!**

As always, we are sponsoring and building this house with our Coalition partners—Desert Cross, Mountain View and Esperanza Lutheran churches. Our mission in this ministry is to provide affordable housing for low-income working people. Families chosen for the houses must meet certain criteria such as stable employment and good credit, as well as complete home ownership and financial skills courses, invest substantial sweat equity, and make a down payment. This will be the first home they buy.

This year's home is at 3702 E Pierce, Phoenix (west of 40th and north of Van Buren). They need more people to help with the build. There is no need to sign up. Just show up 15 minutes prior to start time! They start at 6:30 am thru October and move to 7:30 in November.

We also need help providing lunches for the workers on November 10th, December 15th and January 26th. Please contact Mary Larsen at chularsen@gmail.com.

Hidden Treasures Thrift Store
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Thank you, Gracias, Merci, Grazie, Arigato, Danke sehr!!
No matter how we say it, we give thanks for all you do for our store.
For your prayers, shopping, donations and volunteer hours.
Your efforts make a difference.

Hidden Treasures has MANY items to help you celebrate Thanksgiving. Looking for new china/dishes - we can help you. The store has table linens, decorations, and special Thanksgiving Books. In addition, you will be able to find a new outfit for that special day. Remember ALL men's clothes are 50% off on Thursday.

Christmas items are in all parts of the store. For crafty people, now is the time to find items to help your creations.

Color Coded sales. Check the over head sign for our color-tag sales. In November, ALL Grey tags are 25% off, Red tags are 50% off and yellow tags are 75% off. This includes furniture, purses, luggage, clothes and linens, anything with the appropriate color tag.

Donations needed: **Books** - fiction, westerns, mysteries, children, cookbooks; magazines- especially Home Décor and cooking; Toys; Puzzles and games for all ages; Crafts-sewing notions, crafts for children. Shoes for men; greeting cards with envelopes; and pet supplies.

Can You Help?

The Welcome Booth is back
and we need people to help
man it.

Sign up at the Welcome
Booth today!



Volunteers needed
to wash sheets for our
Homeless Advocacy
Team (HAT).

The good news is they are all flat sheets!

Please contact Lee Salwitz at 480-242-3243
or the office at 480-963-4127
or judi@htlutheran.com if you can help.



The-ALE-ogy

*Food, beverages and
discussion on theological topics*

**Wednesday, November 14th
at 6:30p**

Fibber Magees

1989 W Elliot Rd # 19, Chandler, AZ 85224
(slightly East of Dobson on Elliot)

ADVENT WORSHIP

Prayer around the Cross

Wednesdays, December 5,12,19
Come hear about the Angels, Joseph
and the Innkeeper



New This Year!

Soup Suppers during Advent before Prayer Around the Cross



Soup suppers begin at 5:45 pm
December 5, 12 & 19

Endowment Fund Committee News

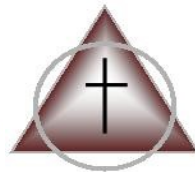
We finally made it through to the beginning of that sweet spot of weather here in the Phoenix metro area! Summer has melted away and we get to enjoy the fruit of our labor for the next several months. (Labor = making it through a Phoenician's summer!)

This time of year also brings about one of the biannual distributions from the Endowment Fund. The Endowment Fund Committee is happy to announce two of the recipients for the Fall distribution.

Matthew's Crossing Food Bank was awarded funding for their Meals to Grow program which is directed towards school-aged children in our local community. The number of children who are in need has grown significantly since the inception of this program and we are happy to help ensure Matthew's Crossing's ability to continue with this successful and important endeavor. We also approved monies for **ELCA Church-wide Ministries** to be used for hurricane relief to those who have been affected throughout the United States. As you know, many states have been hit hard in recent months and the ELCA is heavily involved in natural disaster recovery.

If you are interested in serving on the Endowment Fund Committee, please contact a committee member or our Church Council liaison. It's a great committee to be part of – we give away money and only meet four times a year! We get to make a difference in our local, national, and global communities by utilizing the gifts graciously given to the Endowment Fund through wills, estate plans, or major gifts during a lifetime.

Teri Smithers, Michele Heath, Steve Brabec, & Richard Anderson; Ken Baker, Church Council Liaison



Women's Ministries of

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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



THIS
Little Light
OF MINE

Holy Trinity 2018 Women's Advent Dinner

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

6:15 pm

in the CLC

Come Shine with Us!

Sign Up on the Patio Oct. 21, Nov. 4, 11 & 18

Raffle donations may be brought to the office.

Our monthly meetings are held the first Thursday of every month at 6:00pm in the office conference room.

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



Please pray for: Illness: Gerry & Harriet Johnson's son, David; Mike Pfeilsticker; DeDe Buechler's brother-in-law, Nick Rasic; Lois Miller's friend, Diane Tucker; Judy Baker; The Schieber's friend, Dave Cash; Rex Myers; Marilyn Zeller's friends, Danielle & Connor Pugmire; Ann Schieber ***Surgery:*** Karen Ewart; Judy Onken; Donna Anderson; Randy Allenstein; ***Grief:*** Dee Rock & family following the death of her mother, Annabelle Bossick;

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