

# **April 2019 Trinity Trumpet**

# Worship 8:30 & 10:00 am

Nursery provided 8:15-11:15 am

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April 14th—Palm Sunday 8:30 & 10:00am

April 14th—Easter Egg Hunt 4:30 to 6:00pm

April 18th—Maundy Thursday 2:00 & 7:00 pm 1st Communion received.

April 19th—Good Friday 2:00 and 7:00pm

April 21st—Easter Sunday 6:00, 8:30 & 10:00 am

Join us April 28th for a multi-generational program:

"A Word on the Resurrection" An Easter Skit based on the Gospel of John 20:1-30

at the 10:00 am Service

## **Council Update**

	Actual	Budget
YTD Income	\$67,687	\$77,547
YTD Expense	\$75,121	\$77,547

2019 YTD Attendance 227 273 2018 YTD Attendance

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

#### "To everything there is a season and a time under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3

Change is everywhere! For a long time, I tried to keep up with the new technology, new music, new cultural shifts. But everything is changing so fast, that it is hard to keep track of every change that happens. Most recently I realized the Waymo vehicles around town were being self driven! Yes, self driving car! I am not quite ready for that!

My son is all involved in the new music styles, but I went to a Billy Joel Concert last week and I realized Billy Joel turns 70 this year. Sometimes I just want to stay in the past, where I know what to expect. But I can't do that, I need to change with the times. What I have realized, is at the core of what we do is the same, it is the details that change.

This is true in the church as well. There has been a lot of changes at Holy Trinity over the last few years. New staff, new worship times, new programming opportunities. However, there are many things that will never change. This is what we talked about on Saturday as the council and ministry team leaders gathered to talk about what makes Holy Trinity, Holy Trinity. We came up with a number of core values.

#### We are saved by Grace through faith!

We are a church where you can live out and practice your faith.

We embrace diversity.

We are a community centered congregation, deeply planted & rooted in our neighborhood. We are a liturgical church.

I give thanks that Holy Trinity adapts to changes in our culture, but that we have core values that make us who we are as people of God. As we move ahead in mission in our community, the council will keep these core values at the center of who we are and will keep them as a measuring stick along with our mission statement:

#### We are called to Worship, Grow and Serve.

We will use these to guide us as we discern God's mission for us in the world, as w remain firmly grounded in our identity as God's people and in mission to the world.

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.

## Holy Trinity 2019 Church Council

Steve Loyer—President Cheryl Jones—Vice President Mary Larsen—Secretary Bob Leitner Al Loveland Brian Mosqueda John Snyder

Tony Stephens Alexandra Sundman Tom Tennison Nancy Weeks



# Adventure Break Camp-Fun, learning, singing



#### **<u>RESPOND WITH GRATITUDE FOR NEW LIFE</u>** *A Monthly Message from your Stewardship Ministry Team*

Not too long ago a billboard appeared along the 202 in the East Valley. It was placed there by one of the many fundamentalist churches located in the valley and asked the question: "Where Will You Spend Eternity?" This question asked those who see it to look at how they live their life and make sure they live the right way, so they are welcomed into heaven and not spend eternity in the place of the damned. As a Lutheran, how do you answer this question? If the answer is anything but heaven then you haven't been paying attention to the gospel that's shared every Sunday at Holy Trinity.

God has secured our place in his heavenly kingdom through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. God has made it possible for us to live in his presence, not because we made the right choices or have done the right things or have chosen to live in a certain way but simply because Christ died and rose again so that we might have new life. This is called grace. We will spend eternity in God's presence because of what God did for us in Christ and not by what we do.

Yet, there is a question that needs to be asked: "What is that gift of new life worth to me?" or to ask it another way, "What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?" The answer is to share ourselves, our time, and our possessions as our gifts of gratitude to a God who gave His life for us his people. We share because God shared. We give because God gave. We love because God loved. It's that simple. It's not complicated. We show God what our new life is worth by sharing, giving, and loving.

Think about how you respond to God's graciousness and his unconditional love. Is it enough? Only you know the answer to that question.



## **Endowment Fund Committee News**

Michele Heath Steve Brabec Richard Anderson Michelle Nord Joan Baker

> Ken Baker, Council Liaison

There are still a few more days before the **April 1st application deadline** for the Spring distribution of available Endowment Fund monies. Please don't delay, get your application in today!

The End-of-Life Planning Seminar was informative and well received. We are grateful to Pastor Bernie, Barbara Carl, Hospice of the Valley, Bueler's Mortuary, and Phelps Law Firm for volunteering their time and knowledge. Let a Committee member know if you would be interested in attending a future seminar.

Please consider the Endowment Fund when planning your wills, reviewing your estate plans, or wanting to share in a major gift bestowed upon you. You can give a one-time donation or contribute regularly in any amount. Contact a Committee member or the Church office if you have any questions. Your generosity will help keep Holy Trinity's outreach mission alive for years to come!

#### **Mission Development Summary**

The last two months have been both busy and rewarding as I have been exploring what God is doing in Chandler and more specifically in our community. I have been invited into Holy Conversations through one on one conversations with church members, community leaders, parents and students at Harford and Galveston Elementary Schools, speaking to church leaders and people that live in our neighborhood has allowed me to identify some needs such as afterschool tutoring, literacy programs and other concerns that are affecting our community. It's also giving us opportunities to continue our partnership with other local organizations who are giving back to the city of Chandler. This is rewarding because it shows the many ways that God is working in our community. In fact, I am very impressed with the amount of community organizing that happens here, so my hope is that we continue to partner with our city.

Here are some of the opportunities that I have been a part of thus far:

- Went to Vegas for a mission development training. The main focus of this training was to learn about cre ating goals, building intentional outreach ministry and we were provided with different tools to get new and existing ministries active again.
- I was the Spanish translator at Hartford Elementary for their parent-teacher conferences
- We have been working with one of the families I met during the parent-teacher conferences at Hartford Elementary. I have been helping Sandra and her two boys Leo and Allen with homework and reading. In an effort to continue this afterschool activity, I will be working with Mary Miller to recruit enable volunteers to expand tutoring and afterschool support to families in need.
- Attended a community event to end homelessness at AZCEND and was asked to do the closing prayer.
- Helped with the STEM program at Galveston Elementary which provided more opportunities to interact with more families in our community and begin to develop relationships
- I am looking forward to Adventure Break Camp where we can continue to serve and reach out to our community.

Overall my experience has been filled with learning about our community with hands-on experiences. In the next couple of months, in addition to continuing to build relationships with our neighbors, I would also like to strategize with the Mission development team a plan for ways of reaching out to some of the concerns, family needs and spiritual needs identified through community outreach received thus far. So, as we continue to dream and explore the different possibilities that might come from doing Gods work remember his great commission from the gospel of Matthew.

#### Matthew 28:19 - 20

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."



#### **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.

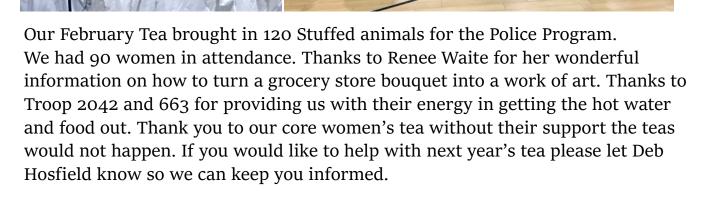
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In honor/memory of (circle one) _	 	

Amount enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_

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#### *Deuteronomy 31:6*

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."



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!

#### Hidden Treasures Thrift Store 610 S Alma School Suite 30 Chandler, AZ 85224 480 857-8310 Like us on Facebook

Easter is April 21<sup>st</sup>.



As you prepare for Easter, let Hidden Treasures support you. Our Book Nook has devotional and fun books for adults and children. We have décor items to dress-up your home. You can also find Dress-up items in our clothing department. Dresses, hats, and tops of all kinds. Finish your shopping with a visit to the shoe department.

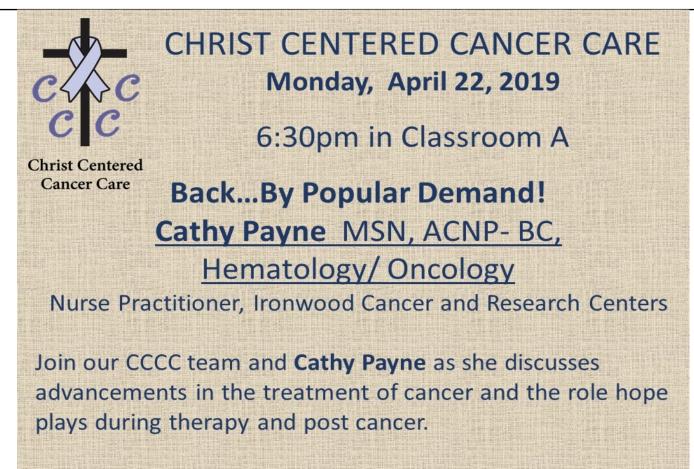
"Tidying Up" is a new Netflix program on organizing our belonging. If you are using her ideas or just doing a heavy spring cleaning – think of Hidden Treasures as a place to donate the items you no longer need!! Your items will help us serve the community.

Currently, we need - <u>Books</u>: Children's, fiction, mystery, westerns, non-fiction, games and puzzles for all ages, magazines. The <u>Craft</u> department would like yarn, crochet and knitting needles, sewing notions of all kinds, children's craft items. <u>Clothes</u>- maternity, scrubs, swim suits and beach towels, summer ware, <u>Kitchen</u> – dishes, glassware, 'silverware', and pots and pans. <u>Pets:</u> Leashes, food bowls, toys, aquariums and other pet needs.

Volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs. Do you like to price? Test and clean electrical items (lamps, radios etc)? Help customers on the sales floor? Sort incoming items? We have a variety of jobs and schedules. You are needed and you will meet fun and giving people.

Thank you for your support.

Your shopping, your donations and your volunteer hours.





# Men on the Mountain #25 (yes 25!) June 13-16, 2019 Brookbank Point Camp Site Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest

# \$10 per person (\$25 max. per family)

Pick up an information sheet in the Narthex.

Contact Emil Gaumont, Camp-Meister, 480-650-8280, <u>Emilgaumont@cox.net</u> to sign up.



COFFEE AND CONVERSATION 24218 S Oakwood Blvd Sun Lakes (public restaurant)

Thursday April 11th 10:00 AM



# Youth Ministry



# Lutheran Campformation 2019

Lutheran Campformation's Mission is Christian faith formation for youth entering 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades in an outdoor setting.

Where: Camp Pinerock in Prescott When: July 7th-12th For registration information on Campformation please visit: <u>www.lutherancampformation.com</u>



## Youth Activities for March:

3/24/19: Devotional (Topic "What if there's more to prayer than just God listening and answering?") 03/30/19: Golf Tournament -Youth Fundraiser (All Day Event) 03/31/19: No Youth Group



## Youth Activities for April:

04/07/19: <u>Game Night:</u> Theme: Team Building (Going to an escape room in Chandler) TBD 04/14/19: Confirmation 2:30PM to 4:30PM 04/14/19: Easter Egg Hunt 4:30 to 6PM 04/21/19: Easter Sunday (NO YOUTH GROUP) 04/28/19: <u>Devotional</u> Topic: "DISTRACTIONS (HOW TO NOT GET DISTRACTED FROM FOCUSING ON......)" 4:30 to 6PM

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To all the volunteers that helped make Adventure Break Camp such a great experience for the kids. We couldn't have done it without you!!



**The-ALE-ogy** 

Food, beverages and discussion on theological topics

Monday, April 8th at 6:30p Fibber Magees

1989 W Elliot Rd # 19, Chandler, AZ 85224 (slightly East of Dobson on Elliot) Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 739 West Erie Street Chandler, AZ 85225

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



**Please pray for: Illness:** Harriet Johnson's friend, Shirley Johnson; Tina Lindsay's sister, Phyllis Zulkowski; the Garano's grandson, Ryan; Arlen Erickson; Jim Morrill; Gracie Krehl; Julaine Buchholz; Pete Wells; Don Wicke's cousin, Vicki; The Curtis's daughter; the Bartel's son; Jan Timmerman's friend, Judy Gruber; Dorothy Ross; the Schieber's friends, Vanessa Umberger; Ann Brabec's niece, Katie & sister, Jane; Jerry Lynn Lewis; the Buechler's brother-in -law, Nick Rasic; Marilyn Zeller's friend, Linda Stergulz; **Surgery:** Leroy Rohrbach; Joan Baker; the Schieber's friend, Michaela; **Grief:** the Stephens' friends, the Baxter family, following the death of their mother/wife, Deena; Don Wicke & family following the death of his cousin, Vicki Grimes; Steve Brabec & family following the death of his mother, Ruth;

#### Share the Good News!

Please helps us spread the word. Click "Share" on Holy Trinity's Facebook posts so more people get the opportunity to see everything we have to offer!



Reminder: The next newsletter deadline is April 10th by 9:00 am.