



HOLY TRINITY
Lutheran Church

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January 2020 Trinity Trumpet

Worship 8:30 & 10:00 am

Nursery provided 8:15–11:15 am

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Council Update

	Actual	Budget
YTD Income	\$387,188	\$418,917
YTD Expense	\$403,927	\$418,917

2019 YTD Attendance	200
2018 YTD Attendance	213

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I love the unexpected this time of year! Christmas surprises! That is what happened on the third Sunday of Advent: John the Baptist showed up in the Christmas Pageant! Something I never would have expected, and it reminded me once again, that we need to prepare the way, not only for the little baby in the manger, but also for Christ to come again!

But I am always surprised this time of year for the many ways that Christ shows up unexpectedly for us and for the world. This year I am particularly aware of the wonderful ways that Christmas comes new to us every year as I watch it through the eyes of my grandchildren! Oliver, 4 years in January, is beginning to understand not only that Santa will come in the morning, the Christmas lights on the tree, the decorating of the house and of course the story of Jesus. Everything is new and exciting.

And I give thanks for the many ways this congregation gives of themselves this time of year! Whether it be through musical talents of the Advent Lessons and Carols or through the Hymn Sing, "The Christmas Edition", wonderful music in worship, musical gifts were shared and brought us into the Spirit and meaning of the holidays! There was lots of love and caring going on through the luncheon by our care team and Cancer Care, talking about how to make the best out of the holidays. You offered care to those in our community through the donation of food and boy's underwear. During Wednesday Advent meals, you made health kits for those experiencing homelessness, cards for the homebound and a project to benefit FANS. You have bought in-kind- gifts of animals to support World Hunger. And there was the Advent Tamale making, a gift learning from our neighbors! And of course, our Advent Women's Dinner which benefited "My Sister's Place" a shelter for abused women and men. And I always hate to list things, because inevitably you leave some out! There is so much good work that you all do not just during this season, but all year long! You are a blessing.

So as I give thanks this season for you, and for all you do, I am continually surprised and amazed by the many ways Christ enters our lives during this season, making Christ's love know within the congregation, the community, and the world. You are gift that has been given to this community. And I give thanks for you this season.

Merry Christmas!

You are Christ's Light Shining in the Darkness!

Peace,
Pastor Chris



Holy Trinity & Habitat for Humanity

Habitat donations **must be in the church office by December 31st** to be eligible for the 2019 tax credit. The amounts of the credit this year are \$800 for married filing a joint return and \$400 for single tax payers. **Make your check payable to "Habitat For Humanity – Central AZ"** and mark the memo line "Holy Trinity." It is important to enclose your check in an envelope marked "Habitat for Humanity" and place the envelope in the offering plate or provide it to the church office so it does not go into the general Holy Trinity fund.



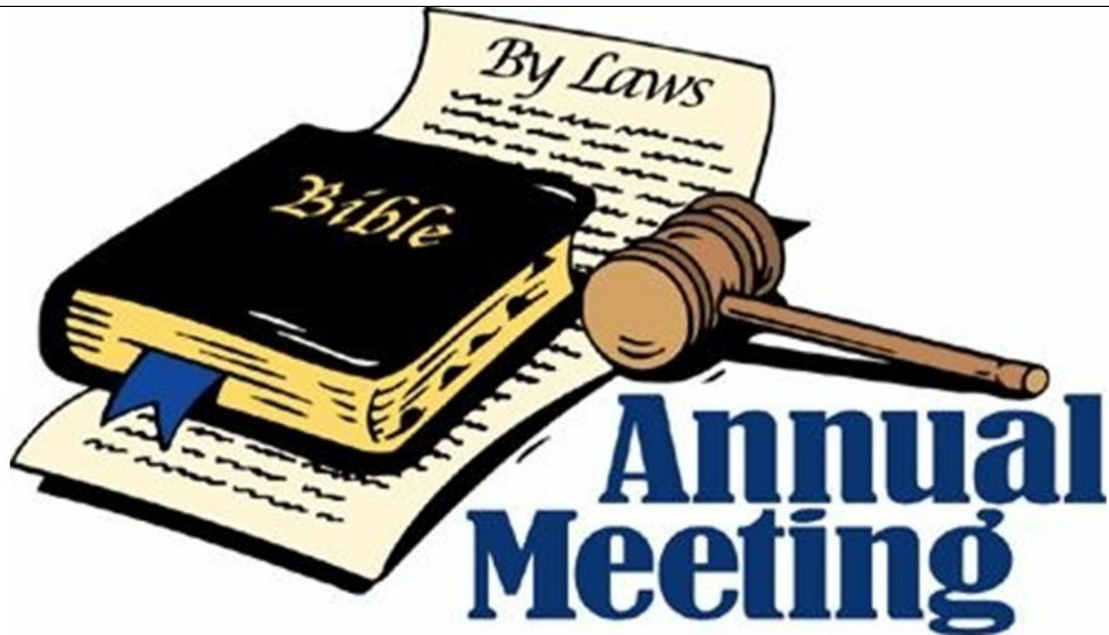
Blue Christmas Service

Sunday, December 22nd at 2:00 pm

For many people, the Christmas season is one of the hardest parts of the year. Not everyone is up and cheery for the Christmas holidays. Dealing with the death of a loved one, facing life after divorce or separation, coping with the loss of a job, living with cancer or some other disease that puts a question mark over the future, and a number of other human situations make parties and joviality painful for many people in our congregations and communities.

This service will name the darkness and the sadness, yet acknowledge that "Christ's light shines in the darkness, and the darkness does not overcome it." Even in the midst of these difficult times, Jesus, the Christ child, breaks into our world to bring us hope and healing.

Come if you are experiencing a difficult time. Bring a friend who has experienced a difficult time this year and is struggling through this holiday season. Come and support those who are hurting and in need of the love of the community.



**Sunday, January 26th
at 11:15 am**

We will be approving the 2020 budget and voting on new members for the church council.

TOWN  HALL
MEETING

January 12th after both
services.

To discuss the 2020 budget and
other topics that come up.



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STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION

ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE NEWS

The Endowment Fund Committee has hit the new year running! I'm sure many of you are in those same running shoes as you approach these first months of 2020. It's always a hope January will be the calm after all the hustle and bustle of the beautiful holiday season, but the slow-down always seems to elude. Hoping quiet, reflective moments find you as you go down the path 2020 places before you.

We will be presenting candidates for the Endowment Team to the Congregation at our January 26th annual meeting. We are thankful for the service of outgoing members and looking forward to welcoming those newly elected!

On February 9th, the Endowment Fund Committee is offering a seminar to help with the kind of life planning so often put off. Many look at end-of-life decisions as something to be done way in the future, but the importance of doing it now cannot be stressed enough. We are tweaking the seminar a bit to be of interest to young families. When you have children who depend on you for everything, you need to consider what could happen should one of you become seriously ill, incapacitated or deceased. This will be the third year we have tackled the issues involved in such decisions and hope you will consider joining us - our speakers are very informative, compassionate, and, at times, even a little humorous. Please watch for details coming soon through E-news, bulletins, screens prior to Worship, and on the patio.

“Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.” –Psalm 119:105

May our loving Lord and Savior bless you abundantly on your path in the New Year!

Michele Heath Steve Brabec Richard Anderson Michelle Nord Joan Baker

CHRIST CENTERED CANCER CARE

Monday, January 27, 2020

6:30pm, Classroom A

Guest Speaker: Cathy Payne MSN, ACNP- BC,
Hematology/ Oncology

Nurse Practitioner, Ironwood Cancer and Research Centers

Join our CCCC team and **Cathy Payne** as she discusses advancements in the treatment of cancer and the role hope plays during therapy and post cancer.

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

January 2020

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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DINNER CHURCH

everyone is welcome to the table

FOOD. FELLOWSHIP. SCRIPTURE



JANUARY 6

6:00 PM

@ Holy Trinity
in the CLC

Sign up on the
Patio beginning
in December

EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

Sunday, January 12th at 11:15.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR CHURCH

RSVP to judi@htlutheran.com or on the tear 'n share.



Blue Stone Ministry

Beginning on January 12th you will notice our baptismal font contains a collection of stones. If you look closely, you will see pretty blue glass stones shimmering through the water. These Blue Stones are part of a beautiful new ministry. When you pass by the baptismal font, you are invited to take one of the Blue Stones and carry it with you at all times. If you meet someone; friend or stranger, that is having a difficult struggle in their life, this Blue Stone can help. Hand that person your Blue Stone and explain the following: Please take this blue stone and carry it with you. Let this be a reminder that God loves you, and you will always have his love no matter how difficult your life may become. Let this also remind you that I care about you and will keep you in my prayers. After you have given away your stone, please replace it with another from our baptismal font.

It is amazing what God can do with even the very smallest effort on our part.

Matthew 4:19: *And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."*

Please contact me with any questions you may have: Rev. Bernie Carl
bernie@htlutheran.com

The Blue Stone Ministry was introduced to me by Pastor Susan Langhauser of Advent Lutheran Church in Olathe Kansas.

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Welcome to 2020!!

All the volunteers hope this is a rewarding year for you.
Blessings, good health and peace to you all.

VOLUNTEERING

By volunteering at Hidden Treasures you can ...

- * Make an impact on our sales, which directly increase the gifts we can give to the community.
- * Make new friends
- * Bring your skills and ideas to help improve the store

Hidden Treasures needs a variety of skills and we can arrange times to fit your schedule. Please consider making a difference by joining the Hidden Treasures team. You are needed.

Hidden Treasures values all you do for the store. Donations, prayers, and shopping. You are giving and making a difference. THANK YOU

TheALEogy Calendar



January 13th

January 20th

February 10th

February 24th

March 9th

March 23rd

April 27th

Join us at 6:30pm at
Fibber Magees

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

WANT TO LEARN

SPANish?

Spanish Classes at Holy Trinity!
Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm
in the Youth Room

No cost, but donations will be accepted.



Youth Ministry Youth Ministry

Youth Activities for January

01/05- Lunch & Games

01/12- Devotional

01/17-01/20- PhLy Winter Retreat

01/19- Confirmation Class

01/26- Western States Gathering Meeting after second service

Adventure Break Camp is BACK!

March 9-13

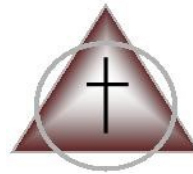
2020

presenting...



**It's
Cool
in the
Furnace
a musical**





Women's Ministries of

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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

The Women of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

invite you to



SATURDAY
February 29, 2020

2:00pm

Doors Open at 1:30

Holy Trinity CLC

739 W. Erie St. · Chandler

Cost \$5.00

Sandwiches, Scones and
Dessert will be served



For more information,
call Holy Trinity's church office
480-963-4127

Sign Up: February 9, 16 & 23



Proverbs 18:16

"A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed."

Thank you to the women and friends of Holy Trinity, We raised awareness about "My Sister's Place" and the raffle raised \$1119.00 to help victims of abuse.

Many thanks to our core team, Charles and his band and those for helped before and after to make this event special.

Please join us in the office conference room on the first Thursday of every month for our planning meetings!

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



Illness: Lauren Carson's, mother in law Darlene Carson; Tony Stephens friend Nick Lacey; Murielyn Racine's daughter-in-law, Barbara Racine; Carolan Quenneville's friend, Char Summerfield; Ordean Mattson; Jackie Straw; Richard Anderson; Pauline Texter's sister, Thelma; Mary Ann Lear; Pete & Carol Barton's son, Eric; Greg Malachowski; Kismet Weiss's friend, MJ; the Regoli's brother-in-law, Richard Vanelle; **Surgery:** Mark Weiss; Rita Karsten; Donna Anderson; Darryl Gloe; Carolyn Searls; Caly Heath; **Grief:** Friends of Harriet Johnson: Heather & Chad Meyer following the death of their mother, Jayne and Jan Pearson, Scott & Linda Casey following the death of their husband/step father, Scott; Cheryl Peterson & family following the death of her brother; **Other:** Sandra Fischer's friends, Kim, Penny & Ann; Sandra Fischer's cousins, Val and Mary;

Reminder: The next newsletter deadline is January 8th by 9:00 am.