



HOLY TRINITY
Lutheran Church

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October 2020 Trinity Trumpet

Online Worship at 10:00 am
In-Person Worship—Sundays at 4:00 pm

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In-person Worship resumes—Sundays at 4:00 pm

Here is what to expect as we begin in person worship:

40 person maximum (Sign up using the e-news link or call the office.)

**Please check your temperature and make sure you are feeling well before you come.
The services will only be thirty minutes to keep the aerosols in the air to a minimum.**

Pews have been taped off and we will be socially distanced by family units.

Masks will be required, if you do not bring one, one will be provided for you.

All parts of the service will be on screens, there will be no bulletins.

There will be no singing, but there will be a prelude and postlude.

This will be a service of the Word with communion.

Communion will be taken from your pew using individual servings.

Offering will be received in the back of the sanctuary as you arrive.

Do not congregate on the patio after worship.

We hope to be able to begin worship outside on the patio on Sunday mornings in late October, if numbers continue to remain low. There is less risk when we are outside.

We want to assure those who are not ready to return to worship, that we will continue services online as we have over the last few months. This will not change.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate this together. We look forward to being back in person for worship.

Council Update

	Actual	Budget
YTD Income	\$275,452	\$301,337
YTD Expense	\$275,446	\$301,337

2020 YTD Attendance	0
2019 YTD Attendance	232

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

Dear church family:

I grew up in a family that didn't talk much about money. I saw the envelope on the table each week to be taken with us to church, and my family put it in the offering plate, but for the life of me, I cannot tell you if it included \$1 or \$1000. We never talked about it.

So, I guess my family was generous. I learned to give each week, but I didn't learn what to give. Fortunately, people have mentored that for me.

When I was in seminary, a member from my congregation would send me a few dollars "to buy text books". At the time, that was a huge amount and it taught me to think of others.

In one of my calls in South Carolina, a member of my congregation came to me after he retired. He said "my wife and I have figured out what it will take to live comfortably for the rest of our lives. When the money in our bank account goes above that, I will be coming to give you a special gift. This will be above and beyond our normal tithe of ten percent. I believe we are doing God's work here and I want to be a greater part of it."

Recently, a member of our congregation, who is homebound most of the time, wrote a \$1500 check to help with outreach ministry. Although money is tight for this person, they wanted to be a part of the ministry to our neighbors.

I'm surrounded by generous people who continue to teach me how to be generous. As I think about our giving for next year, I am going to be increasing my giving to the church. The Holy Spirit is alive and well in this place and I see God at work through God's people, reaching beyond our doors to love and serve our neighbor.

I look forward to hearing more of your stories of generosity as we begin this generosity journey together.

In Peace,
Pastor Chris



Interfaith Homeless Emergency Lodging Program (I-HELP) Returns

Holy Trinity will resume hosting the homeless through I-HELP beginning November 1st. We will continue with our normal schedule, the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays and Thursdays of every month. The program will be modified slightly to ensure social distancing to keep everyone safe.

COMMUNION

AT HOME



Worship services
are live streamed
the first Sunday of
every month at
10:00 am with
Communion!

LOVE GENEROUSLY

A monthly message from your Stewardship Ministry Team

In the church office, on a table near the storage area in the back of the office, one can find a pile of t-shirts. They are in various colors from teal, to scarlet, to navy blue, and gray and in various sizes. Even though they are different colors and in different sizes they all contain the same message. And that message is this: "Live Generously". The words are also accompanied by a logo which is a cross centered in the middle of a heart. These shirts beckon God's people to live a life of generosity. A life in which the needs of others take precedent over one's own individual needs. When one wears this shirt in public it says to the world what God asks his people to do as they go about their daily work. We are called to "live generously". Yet one wonders whether a change in one letter on these shirts would be a better sentiment about what God is asking of his people. What if we exchanged the letter "i" with the letter "o" in the word live? What if these t-shirts said, "Love Generously" rather than "Live Generously?" One wonders how that would make a difference in the life of those who wear the shirt.

During this past month we at Holy Trinity have been engaged in a challenge to "love your neighbor". From all indications the members of Holy Trinity have risen to the challenge. They have been generous in sharing their time, their talents, and their treasures so that the needs of the neighbor, whether they live in Chandler or on the Navajo Nation, can have their needs met. People have been fed, they have been clothed, they have been visited, they have been cared for because individuals like you have stepped up to the challenge.

All of us who call Holy Trinity our church home are not the same. We come in different colors and in different sizes, but we all share the same mission, a mission that says not only that we "live generously" but that we "love generously" as well. Thank you for not only living but loving generously as you continue to be the people that God has called us to be.



November 3 is election day. Exercise your right to vote.

Tuesday November 3 is election day. On that day, we will have the opportunity to elect our leaders and set the direction of our federal, state and local governments for the next several years.

In order to vote, you have to register. The voter registration deadline in Arizona is October 5. For Maricopa County please use this link to register and obtain more information: <https://www.recorder.maricopa.gov/elections/registrationform.aspx>

Once you register, you have several options for casting your ballot. You may always cast a ballot in person on election day. In addition, Arizona allows early voting in person or by mail. A ballot for early voting may be requested before October 23 at <https://recorder.maricopa.gov/earlyvotingballot/>. Once you cast your early ballot, you can also check to make sure it has been received and counted at this same link. You may also add your name to the permanent mail-in voting list at this site.

Sites for early-ballot drop-off or in-person voting have not yet been designated. However, ballots may be dropped off at the recorder's office at 111 S Third Ave, Phoenix AZ 85003. There may also be a drop-off box located inside the Chandler City Hall. Please note that with a few exceptions, mainly for family members, ballots must be dropped off by the voter casting the ballot.

All ballots must be received by 7 pm on Election Day, November 3, 2020, in order to be counted. Ballots received after that time and date will not be counted, even if they are deposited in the mail before Election Day.

Here is a short calendar of important dates:

Voter Registration Deadline:	Monday October 5, 2020
Early Voting Begins	Wednesday October 7, 2020
Last Day to Request Ballot by Mail	Friday October 23, 2020
Mail back early ballots	Wednesday October 28, 2020 (recommended)
Last day to vote early in person	Friday October 30, 2020
Election Day	Tuesday November 3, 2020

Due to the coronavirus, the recorder's office is not open to the public. However, if you have any questions, you may call 602.506.3535 for information.



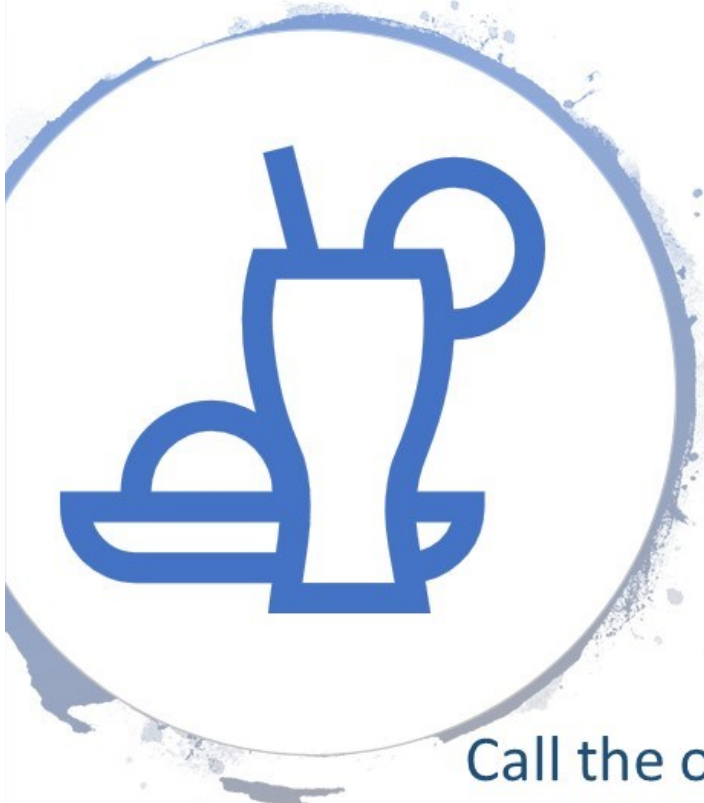
ASU campus
Ministry is looking
for people to cook
meals for the
students this fall.

Wednesdays for 15
people
Sundays for 10 people

Thrivent cards are a great
way to fund a meal!

Please let Pastor Chris
or Luis know if you can
provide a meal.

TheALEogy



Join us on Zoom.us
Mondays at 6:30 pm

Meeting Number

918-6508-4437

Password 008079

BYOB!

Call the office at 480-963-4127 if you
need help getting started on zoom.

GRIEF SHARE®

A Grief Support Group

A new GriefShare group is starting
Sunday, October 4th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

For more information or to sign up, contact Sharon Reese at 480-899-0966 or Tish Dirks at 480-234-7621.

Joleen's Kitchen is
on a temporary
hiatus until
everyone is back and
has quarantined
from their vacations.

We will keep you
posted!





Adult SUNDAY SCHOOL

GENESIS: A Study of “Big” Questions

Sunday mornings at 9:00 am

Starting September 13th

[Click here to join the Zoom meeting.](#)



Wednesday Morning Virtual Bible Study 6:30 and 9:00 am Via Zoom

6:30 am

Meeting Number 814 3787 5508

Password 008834

9:00 am

Meeting Number 886 7185 7139

Password 528526

Submission deadline for the Fall
Distribution of available
Endowment Fund monies is
Thursday, October 8th.

Applications can be found online at htlutheran.com under the heading "Give". They need to be printed, filled out and emailed or dropped off in the church office. Please contact one of the committee members or the church office if you have any questions.

Michelle Nord, Steve Brabec, Emil Gaumont, Rita Karsten, Mike Wells

Loving Your Neighbor – A Matthew 25 Challenge

*From a member
dropping off a check,
"They are our
neighbors, and we
need to love our
neighbors."*



We have
collected \$3770
so far!!!

Holy Trinity set the goal of raising \$3000 to
sponsor a classroom at the Navajo Evangelical
Lutheran Mission and, thanks to your
generosity, we have exceeded that goal!!!

Shall we try for TWO CLASSROOMS?

To donate, make checks payable to Holy Trinity & write Navajo in the memo line



Habitat for Humanity®

Our newest Lutheran Coalition Habitat House build will begin in late October. We don't have many details yet, but we do know is this:

Volunteers will need to sign up online.
Numbers will be limited and gloves are required.
There may be weekday as well as weekend hours available.
There will be a tutorial online to help you through the process.
The build is in the same general area as last year (downtown Phoenix).
We will not be providing lunches for work crews.

We will keep you posted as more details become available!



Women's Ministries of

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

LIGHT
IN THE *Darkness*

Holy Trinity 2020
Women's Advent
Fellowship



Though I have fallen
I will rise,
Though I sit in darkness
the Lord will be my light.
Micah 7:8

- Save the Date -
**SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 5TH**

RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED

Homemade items or business gift cards are always welcome!

Deadline to drop items off at the church office is Thursday, November 19th
(Office hours are Mon-Thurs 8:30am-3pm • call before coming)

More information about the event to come.



Youth Ministry

youth group

SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 27th – Noon at Holy Trinity
Friday, October 2nd & 9th – 7:00 pm on Zoom
October 16th – Fall Break

Kids 2nd – 5th Grade
Zoom into Sunday School
classes!

Sunday mornings at 9:30

Email judi@htlutheran.com for the meeting info.



Confirmation Class

The 3rd Sunday of every month

1 to 4 pm

In the CLC or on Zoom

Contact Luis at luis@htlutheran.com for more details.



Confirmation Social Hour

*Join us every other Friday night for a
Confirmation Social on Zoom*

Fridays, 10/2, 10/16, 10/30 etc.

from 6 to 7 pm.

Meeting ID: 865 5494 0036

Password: 810681

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



Illness: Melinda Tarver's aunt, Eunice Toney; Joey Loyer; Margie Probstfield; Steve Keinath's aunt, Carol; Jo Mellage; Marlene Marxman's granddaughter, Courtney; Nancy Holt's friend, Patty Hall and daughter, Nikki Petit; Judy Jefferson; Becky Leitner's brother, Mitch White; Inez Garano's friends, Maryann Mathai, Bobby Hoops & Jerri DeLugt; Richard Anderson; Judy Jefferson's sister, Janette Ruck and brother, Ken Wendt; Tony Stephen's friend, Nick Lacey; the Buechler's friend, Marcus LeBlanc; Sandra Fischer's friends, Maddy & Beth; Doug & Nancy Auka-James; Steve Keinath's cousin, Jason; Carolan Quenneville; the Buechler's friend, Dan; **Surgery:** the Gloe's relative, Brooklyn Reid; Lindsay Krehl; Kristi Baranowski; Jeri Pfeilsticker; Deb Hosfield's granddaughter, Kira; Carolan Quenneville's friend, LuAnn Brown; Allan Buechler's cousin, Joann; Ken Torgerson; Tony Stephens' friend, Mya Kahakina Degroote; **Grief:** Sandra Fischer & the Schwartz family following the death of Meredith Schwartz; the Buechlers & the Rasic family following the death of Pete Rasic; Liz Black & family following the death of her uncle Jim; Shirley Lodmell & family following the death of her brother, Bob; the Buechler's friends, Pete Rasic & Marcus LeBlanc; Karen Vicker's & family following the death of her mother, Bonnie Behring; **Oth-**
er: Marilyn Zeller's kids evacuated due to fires; Bobbie Fishburn's grandson, Grant;

Congratulations to new grandparents Bob and Mary Miller on the birth of their grandson, Brooks!