



The Trinity Truth

January 2017

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ANNIVERSARIES

2017 is a banner year here at Trinity. Our congregation will be celebrating our 25th year of ministry all year long. A special committee headed up by Todd Wittlinger has been hard at work planning for multiple events that will help in our celebrations.

2017 is also the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. That's right, half a millennium ago a simple German monk named Martin Luther began his quest to call the Christian Church back to its original Apostolic faith. Since the Great Commissioning given by Jesus, the church had lost its focus and its voice. Too many man-made philosophies and doctrines had diluted the clear

proclamation of God's love for us in Jesus Christ. Prompted by the Holy Spirit, Martin Luther called the church back to three core values that would once again set her on the course that God Himself had given.

Grace Alone: Simply knowing that God's love and salvation are given to all through Jesus; without favor or merit on their part.

Faith Alone: Our access to God's saving love is by the connection we have through the Holy Spirit to love and trust Him above all things; not any works we ourselves perform.

Scripture Alone: Our complete and final source of all knowledge and faith is from God's Holy Word; nothing else

is needed and nothing else is accepted. These three core values were at the heart of the Reformation, and they remain at the heart of our ministry here at Trinity. We thank God for inspired, brave and visionary people like Luther, and those who founded our congregation 25 years ago, who kept faith with the faith. May God continue His blessings to us as we remain faithful to Him, reaching out with the truth of His love and favor for all in Jesus our Savior.

Pastor Tom



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Sunday School News



Sunday School Classes Resume on Sunday, January 1, at 9:20 AM.

During the month of January we will continue the celebration of God's giving us the greatest gift - Jesus, our Savior!

We will also begin learning about some of the miracles Jesus did during His life here on earth.

Classes meet from 9:20-10:15 AM and are open to all children age three-grade 6. Students in middle school and high

school are welcome to be class leaders.

Please contact Director of Family Ministry, Amy, if you have questions or are interested in helping out with Children's Ministry at Trinity.



Youth Confirmation Classes

Youth Confirmation classes will resume on Monday, January 23, at 4:00 PM.

Don't forget to plan to attend our area Jr. High Camp May 25-28, 2017. Miss Amy will be giving out information about this awesome and fun event later this month!

February Newsletter Deadline

The deadline to submit news items for the February edition of The Trinity Truth is Tuesday, January 17. Please bring written items in to the

church office or email them to: newsed@tlc.phxcoxmail.com.

Thanks!



New Council Members

On Sunday, January 1, at both services, Trinity will install its council members serving during 2017.

Please join us in support and prayer for those serving in leadership in our congregation.

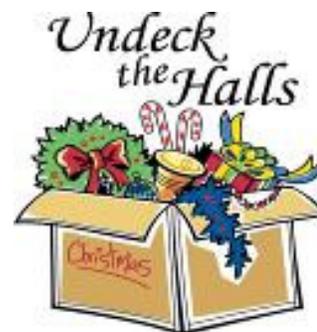


Un-Deck The Halls of Trinity- Help Needed

Help Needed:
We need help on **Monday, January 9, at 8:00 AM**, to take down and store the outdoor Nativity. This goes much more quickly than the set up and should take an hour

or less if we have many helpers. **On Saturday, January 14, at 9:00 AM**, we will take down the sanctuary Christmas trees. Both men and women are needed to take the trees

down and put back in boxes, ornaments stored, and boxes put back in the attic.



Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible study group begins its new study this month. **"Believing Jesus, a journey through the book of Acts,"** will help us see life for the early church as we have never seen it before! Any women of the

congregation (high school age and older) are welcome to join this group that meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. However, **please note that this month, we will be meeting on**

Thursday, January 12 and Tuesday, January 24.

Please contact Director of Family Ministry, Amy, with any questions.





Thank You!

A big THANK YOU to all who helped with the Nativity assembly and sanctuary decorations. Your participation was greatly appreciated! These jobs are a cinch with great volunteers like you!

Thank you also to Dianne and Grace for preparing and serving a delicious breakfast to the crew!

Thank you to all of the families who decorated wreaths to adorn our sanctuary! They were all so beautiful!

Thanks to Dianne and Pam for your organization of the assembly and decorating of the Christmas trees!

More Thanks



I would like to thank Pastor Tom for his visits and phone calls during my hospitalization and recovery. Also to the congregation for your prayers, cards and calls.

All were very much appreciated and I ask for your continued prayers as my recovery continues.

Yours in Christ,
Pam

Even More Thanks!



Thank you to all of the children and youth who presented a wonderful telling of Jesus' birth! Thanks to Saddle Bronc Grill for catering for our very delicious Celebration of Christmas lunch!

Thanks to the choirs that enriched our Christmas worship services. Thanks to our great staff who work hard to give us opportunities to learn about and worship our Savior! Thanks to those who work behind the

scenes cleaning and straightening up before and after services. Thanks to all of you who joined in our Christmas Celebrations of 2016! We wish you all a happy 2017!

Thank You!

To my Trinity family and friends: Many thanks to all of you for the thoughts, prayers, visits and cards during my most recent medical situation. That was a long time in the rehab facility-Shea Parc- particularly after finding the

hematoma and needing to stay pretty much with the leg elevated and iced for a large portion of that week, but things are back on track. I'm in therapy doing well according to the surgeon and the therapists. But I

could not have done this without each and every one of you and our gracious Father guiding all of us. Our God is so great! Thanks again to all of you. Love you all!

Joan



LWML

The women of Trinity's LWML will gather on Saturday, January 21, at 10:00 AM for regular monthly meeting. Updates will be given on various on-going projects, the group will join

together for a time of devotions and prayer, and enjoy some fellowship as well. LWML is open to any women in the congregation and all are invited to attend!



Extended Hands Food Bank

During the month of January we will be collecting paper goods (toilet paper, tissues, paper towel) in addition to our regular collection of nonperishable

foods for the Extended Hands Food Bank.

Please place all donations in the green receptacles located by both of the main entrance

doors of Trinity.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!





Link to online Calendar:

<http://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/calendar.aspx?ci=G1J4L6M7K5K5O9L6I3>



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Fountain Hills & Noon Kiwanis Community Blood Drive



Friday, Jan., 20, & Saturday, Jan., 21, 2017

9:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

Community Center - 480-816-5200



Call Dr. Liz Smith at 480-837-2600 & 480-206-4785 (Cell) & Paul Appeldorn at 480-836-8213 or visit www.BloodHero.com (Sponsor code: Kiwanis)

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Recent Happenings



Trinity was a festive place to be this December! Thanks to all who helped with the Nativity Set-Up and Tree Decorating!



The children of Trinity led the congregation through God's promises of a Messiah to the birth of Jesus during their Christmas service. The kids also made Christmas cards to send to some of our friends and members of Trinity.



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January Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00 AM Worship

Followed by Fellowship

9:20 AM Christian Education for all ages

10:30 AM Worship

Holy Communion is celebrated at all Sunday morning worship services

Bible Studies

Sunday morning at 9:20 AM with Pastor Tom

Tuesday morning at 10:00 AM with Pastor Tom

2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

Please call (480)837-0130 to confirm times and places