



The Trinity Truth

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THE MISSION CHALLENGE

How can you tell if something is important or not? What clues do we usually look for to let us know that we need to pay attention? If we are reading the printed word, we might look for something in **bold face type**, or something that is underlined. These are clues that this information is worth noting. If we are being spoken to, we might listen to the volume of the speaker's voice, or the type of gestures he is making. These too, are important clues. But what if these clues are not available to us? Are there any other ways to determine the importance of an idea?

One such way is repetition. Things of importance bear repeating. If I encounter a thought or an idea two, or even three times, I know I need to pay heed. The other clue available to us is the placement of a thought or an idea. Things of first importance are usually mentioned first. They have

priority over everything else. In a similar way, something important may be mentioned last, so that the hearer remembers it. It becomes the “last word” spoken on a subject. This is how we determine the relative weight or importance of things being shared with us.

Here is how we get in touch with God's thinking, and His priorities for us. When we turn to the Bible, we don't have the advantage of printed clues or vocal evidence. Instead, we need to look closely at the way God has organized His word. In that organization we can determine what the Lord Himself wants us to focus upon.

The Gospel of Matthew begins with the good news of the greatest sending in the world. The Father sent His Son to us as “Jesus”, (Savior), and “Immanuel”, (God with us). Could sending then be the first and most important thing God

wants us to know, to understand? Let's check further.



Matthew's Gospel ends with Jesus sending out His church into “all the world, to make disciples of all nations.” The first and last words on the subject. One would begin to think that the concept of sending, or being sent, is important. But, there is more. In chapters 9 and 10, Matthew recalls Jesus commanding the disciple to: “pray that the Lord of the Harvest would send out workers into His harvest fields.” Then He sent them out to witness and share the good news of the Kingdom of God. That's repetition. And this is important.

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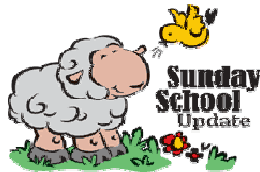
The Trustees are looking for a few good men and women to help make improvements at TLC.

**Are You Able?**

Contact Chuck Knutsen or Al Immenga if you are interested in helping out.

Sunday School News

During the month of October, students in the elementary and youth classes will be learning about Old Testament people including: Deborah, Gideon, Samson, and Ruth. Students in the Pre-K/K class will be learning about Old Testament characters of Joseph and Moses.



As always, all children age 3 (or 2 with a parent) through high school are invited to join us for classes.

Please contact Joy Axelson or Amy Heuer if you have any questions.

Confirmation News

Youth Confirmation classes will meet October 1, 8, 22, and 29. There will be no classes on October 15, due to the Fall Break school holiday.

**New Member Classes Forming**

Are you interested in becoming a member at Trinity? Would you like to brush up on the foundations of the Christian faith from a Lutheran perspective? The next adult new member classes will begin in October. Please contact Amy Heuer for more information.

**Pastor Tom's Article Continued**

Of all the things we do as Christians, the great priority God has for us is being the ones He sends into the world to proclaim the simple message of His love and forgiveness in Jesus Christ. Sending out salvation is important to God. We are the ones He sends. And as long as we keep God's priorities in mind, we'll know what we are to be doing.

Pastor Tom

"AS THE FATHER HAS SENT ME, I AM SENDING YOU."
JOHN 20:21, NIV



We accomplish this most important task in many ways. Sometimes we give our support to missionaries and mission work. Other times we become the missionaries ourselves. We speak to our neighbors and friends. We invite them to church. We offer to visit and pray for them when they need. We serve them and help them at critical times. But always we remember that we are the ones who have been sent.

Sing a New Song to the Lord...

The new season has begun for *Voices of Praise*, our adult vocal choir. If you love to sing, we hope you will consider joining our group. At our rehearsals we do work with separate sections – soprano, alto, tenor, and bass. You don't need to know how to read music, and the time commitment isn't great.

We rehearse on Wednesdays from 7:00– 8:30 PM and we sing an average of five or six Sundays over a two month period. We understand that we're a volunteer group and therefore we're quite flexible about attendance.



If you're thinking of joining the choir but you're not sure of what's required, or if you'd like singing with us, we'd love to have you give it a try.

Voices are needed in every section. There's room for everyone and anyone who'd like to "sing a new song to the Lord". Please call Dianne Immenga if you have questions or concerns.

Luther Rose National Cemetery Markers

Thanks to the initiative of Deborah Henry from Imperial, Mo., the "Luther Rose" (also known as "Martin Luther's seal") is now approved for inscription on headstones of veterans' grave markers in U.S. national cemeteries.



The rose emblem -- now among those officially approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs' National Cemetery Administration -- will appear on the headstone for her father and mother, whose graves are at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in south St. Louis County.

Burton Wolf, Henry's father, served in the Naval Reserve and on active duty on supply ships in the North Atlantic and South Pacific during World War II. He died July 11, 2012, at the age of 98. Her mother, Juanita Wolf, died June 2, 2011, at 90.

Henry's efforts to have the Luther Rose appear on their headstone began shortly after her mother's death, when she and her sister -- Maureen Michael of Freeport, Texas -- agreed on the idea for it.

At that time, the LCMS logo-cross design and a "Lutheran Cross" with elements of Luther's seal were among the National Cemetery Administration's approved designs for grave markers -- but not the rose itself, which they preferred.

Exactly a year after the day her father died, Henry received a letter from the VA informing her that her family's request had been approved.

For the whole story visit the LCMS Reporter online:

<http://reporter.lcms.org/pages/rpage.asp?NavID=20356>.

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Upcoming Outings—Mark Your Calendars

Be sure to check your calendars and make plans to join us for the upcoming fellowship outings!

December 8, 2012



We have reservations for the Christmas Holiday matinee (Lunch -12:30 PM, Show -1:30 PM) at the Arizona Opry. The group rate is \$31.00 per person and includes lunch, show, tax, & gratuity. Payment is due to Joan no later than November 28. Carpooling will be available from church.

Help a Child!!

The Fountain Hills Mentoring Program is a perfect way to help a child. It only takes one hour per week at one of the local schools.

The program was developed to offer our children the opportunity to reach their maximum potential. By providing trusting relationships between young people and individuals, the Program is aimed at developing our youth's confidence, competence and character.

I've been a part of this program for 13 years. It is very satisfying to see a child improving in so many ways. For more information, go to the program's Web site, www.thefhmp.org.

If you're interested, I would be happy to chat with you about the program!

Roger Riggert



January 19, 2013



Join us for a matinee (2:00 PM) performance of "My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish and I'm Home for the Holidays," at the Herberger Theater in Phoenix.

The group rate is \$38.50 per person with a minimum of 20 people - otherwise the regular rate is \$43.50.

Please contact Joan Wolfe with any questions or concerns.

Extended Hands Food Bank



During the months of October, November, and December we will be **collecting nonperishable holiday meal items** such as:

boxed/canned potatoes, vegetables, gravy, cranberry sauce, and stuffing for the Extended Hands Food Bank. Please bring donations and place them in the boxes located near the main entrances to Trinity. As always, any donations are most appreciated.

Did you know the Extended Hands Food Bank hosts a Fish Fry Dinner each Friday evening from 4:00-8:00 PM? Cost is \$10 (all you can eat). Proceeds go towards helping people in need get food. Extended Hands is located at 16548 E. Laser Dr. #6 in Fountain Hills.





Link to online Calendar:

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

Lutheran Women's Missionary League



All women of Trinity are invited to join us at the next meeting of the LWML. **The meeting will be Saturday, October 13, at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Room.**

We will be discussing upcoming events for the rest of the year.

The Zone Fall Rally will be at St. Luke's in Mesa on Saturday, October 20, starting at 9:00 AM.

Cost is \$10 per person and includes lunch. Featured speaker will be Jana Shields, director of Friends House in Long Beach, CA. Carpooling will be available from Trinity. Please contact Joan Wolfe if you want to attend.



Prayer Partners

Please remember to continue to pray for your prayer partner that you picked at last year's women's Christmas party.

What a privilege it is for us to approach our great and gracious God on behalf of our sisters in Christ!



"I HAVE NOT STOPPED GIVING THANKS FOR YOU, REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS."
EPHESIANS 1:18, NIV

Fall Rally Collection

Donations for Friends House are still being accepted for our group to bring to the Fall Rally, even if you do not plan to attend the event, you can still make a donation for the Gifts from the

heart offering. Items being collected are: *gently used stuffed animals, wrapped candy, fast food toys, hotel sized shampoo, washcloths, kids' toothbrushes, and travel sized toothpaste.*

Please have items at Trinity by noon on Friday, October 19.



Fountain Hills Make a Difference Day



The town of Fountain Hills is hosting its 3rd annual Make a Difference Day on Saturday, October 27, from 7:30 AM-1:00 PM. Join people of all ages from Fountain Hills to help some of our most vulnerable town residents (those who often live alone without family near by, do not have transportation, have health issues, have financial issues, as well as other limitations and are restricted in what they are able to do). Some tasks that may be done are: yard work, fixing minor repairs, building wheel chair ramps, providing general house cleaning... or many other duties that will be of great assistance to our neighbors in need.

If you are interested in being a part of the group from Trinity that will help out on this day or you have questions, please contact Amy Heuer. There is also a sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside of Amy's office.



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A Family Friendly Church

October Sunday Morning Schedule

Worship at 9:00AM
Followed by Fellowship Time
Christian Education for all ages begins at 10:30 AM

Bible Studies

Sunday Morning at 10:30 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
Thursday at 7:00 PM with Pastor Tom
2nd and 4th Saturdays at 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study
Please call (480) 837-0130 to confirm times and places.