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World Communion Sunday - October 7

This is a Sunday that offers our congregation a distinctive opportunity to experience Holy Communion in the context of the global community of faith. We remember that we are part of the whole body of believers and that the Lord's table unites Christians from every nation and culture. We invite those attending worship to wear clothing that is representative of their culture or travels, and to bring international breads to share during Communion (please let Lynn Moser know if you will be bringing bread). The Trinity Choir will be presenting Mozart's beautiful Communion anthem "Ave Verum Corpus" accompanied by a string quintet. Stay for a "Heritage" potluck in Fellowship Hall at 11:45 am. Bring foods that represent your culture or heritage to share.



ALL CHURCH PICNIC BRUNCH
Saturday, November 3

9:00am – Noon

REID PARK, RAMADA 7

Brunch is served at 9:00 am

The Deacons will provide pancakes, waffles, bacon, sausage and beverages. Please bring an egg casserole dish, fruit, muffins or donuts to share!

There will be playground time for the kids We have a few new games and some old favorites: Hula Hoop Pass, Hot Air Ping Pong, Bocce, Cornhole Bean Bag Toss and Guess the number of items game

Everyone is invited!!!!

Don't miss the FUN! We look forward to seeing you at the park!

Ramada 7 is reserved for Trinity until 1:30 pm



PASTORAL LETTER

The other day an old friend of mine called me and, with excitement in his voice, announced that he had just bought a new home. When I told Amy she immediately said, "We've got to send him a house warming gift." Celebrations and gift-giving go hand-in-hand, and as we are about to enter the season of celebrations, it is appropriate for us to reflect upon this relationship. We give gifts in order to acknowledge celebrations- birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, retirements, births, and individual achievements. But in the Christian church we also hold celebrations in order to acknowledge gifts that God has given us. Christmas is about the gift of Jesus Christ. Easter is about the gift of salvation through Christ's resurrection. Baptism is about the gift of life, renewed life, and the promise of eternal life. The Lord's Supper is a celebration in recognition of the gift of Christ's suffering and love for us.

In October we will have two Christian celebrations- World Communion Sunday (October 7th), and Reformation Sunday (Oct. 28). In both cases we are celebrating God's gift of the church. I hope you consider Trinity a precious gift in your life from God. The beauty of the gift of Christ's church is its constancy in the midst of an ever-changing world. This isn't to say that the church must not adapt to the times in which we live. The vernacular of the church, its language and its mission, needs to reflect a synchronicity with a community we seek to evangelize and nurture in the name of Jesus Christ. But beneath the changes that are a part of every institution, there is the spiritual fellowship- the "communion of the saints", that makes our church a true gift in our lives and a gift to the Tucson community. I know that I have said this before, and I will say it again and again, but our church has been uniquely placed on this street corner in downtown Tucson for a purpose. In my mind and heart that purpose becomes more evident every day.

There are many voices competing for spiritual primacy in this world. These voices are seductive. They make promises of individual power. They worship personal profit. They turn religion into a monolith of absolute obedience. They demand the human soul in exchange for empty promises and absolute allegiance. But because our

church exists- because it stands on this street corner, year-end and year-out; because we worship every Sunday and minister every day, we present an alternative way of living. Trinity has a powerful "ministry of presence" in a community that needs to know and hear the good news of Christ's salvation.

How do we thank our Lord for the fellowship and ministry of the church? We offer a gift. It's that simple. We come to the celebration, but we do not come empty-handed: we share our talents, our resources, and our commitment. We make this commitment because this church has a message for the souls who pass our way- "You have a home at Trinity, and in this home is the love of Jesus Christ." In October, join us for the celebration of the spiritual home God has given us, and bring your love.

Dr. Mack

Animals Around Trinity



Hosting Guide Dogs for the Blind class & from Bill's Rally Sunday presentation



I would like to express my love and appreciation to everyone who sent cards, gifts, or visits for my birthday. Your outpouring of friendship lifted my heart and was healing in and of itself. You made it a very special day for me, and I treasure your thoughts and prayers. God bless you and thank you.

Rev. Amy Sigmon

Christian Education

YOUTH CLASSES

NURSERY

9:00 to 12:00 pm Children 4 and under enjoy coloring, singing and playing in our beautiful nursery with DeDe.

FELLOWSHIP HALL ACTIVITY TABLE

9:00 am to 10:30 am Children 4 and up can meet Alix for low action activities—puzzles, and coloring, with some low sugar snacks.

10:30 am to 11:30 am Children 4 and up meet their teachers in the Sanctuary and participate in the Worship Service. After the Children's Message they leave for these age appropriate classes.



GOD'S TRAILBLAZERS

God's Trailblazers 4 through 8 will meet in Rooms 7 & 8 with Kathy. "Digging into the Life of Jesus" will lead kids in walking in Jesus' footsteps from birth to resurrection to ascension. Kids don't just learn about the historical Jesus; they get to know him personally. To supplement each lesson using Bible-related object lessons from "Sciency-Fun WOWS!"

KREAMER'S CRUSADERS

Kreamer's Crusaders 8 through 12 meet in Room 6 with Matt and will discover the bible and all its stories using the curriculum "Top 50 Instant Bible Lessons for Elementary" This book is packed with object lessons, puzzles, games and crafts.



ANCHOR TRINITY



Anchor Trinity Junior High School through College meet in Room 1 with Rona & will be discussing the theme of social justice and what it really means to be a "Good Samaritan".

ADULT CLASSES

WORD OF LIFE

Word of Life meets at 9:00 am in Room 5 (Lower Level Lounge). We will continue a study "The Wisdom of God: Seeing Jesus in the Psalms and Wisdom Books". Join us for lively discussions.

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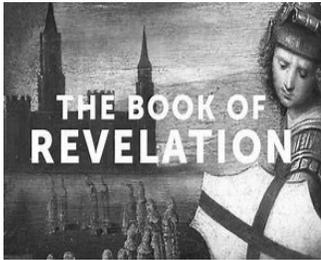
Parents of Little Ones (POLO) meets at 9:00 am on the second Sunday of the month. We meet in the nursery for family breakfast munchies and then head downstairs to Room 1 for our study.

THEOLOGY FOR TODAY

Theology for Today meets at 9:00 am in Upper Room West beginning October 30 with a series on how humanity is doing in the world. Is the world getting better or worse? . The class is based on Hans Rosling's new book, "*Factfulness*". October 7 – What affects our understanding of the world, October 14 – World population growth and how the world is changing.

Christian Education

ADULT CLASSES



BIBLE BRUNCH THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Beginning Thursday, October 4th at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall Dr. Mack will lead a study on the Book of Revelation. The name of this class will be “Bible Brunch”, and it will begin with Bible study at 10:00 am, followed by brunch at the church. This is going to be fun, considering the topic of the study – the Book of Revelation. Dr. Mack has been teaching the Book of Revelation for many years. He studied it in seminary and in continuing education classes throughout his pastoral journey. We will look at John’s amazing work verse-by-verse and sometimes word-by-word. This will be an extensive study that will go throughout the year, from October through May, and then continuing through the next Christian year. We will be videotaping every class and placing it on our website, so that no one will miss a class. I hope you will plan to join me for the study and the brunch or for the study online in October.

JERUSALEM: THE CENTER OF THE WORLD

On Sunday, October 21 at 9:00 am in Upper Room West join Rev. Bill Voigt as we continue our educational and spiritual journey to one of the oldest cities in the world - Jerusalem! Covering 4,000 years of history we will explore the founding of this Holy city and the birthplace of the world’s three major monotheistic religions - Judaism, Christianity and Islam. The rich tapestry of life and faith come together as we look in on a city that has been twice destroyed, attacked dozens of times, and is noted as “URUSALIM” on numerous ancient Egyptian tablets. Breakfast is provided.



Congregational News

TRINITY BOOK CLUB



The Trinity Book Club will meet **October 24 in Fellowship Hall at 7:00 pm.** We will be reading and discussing “The Enemy” by Sara Holbrook. Set in 1954, this historical novel tells the story of a young girl's struggles and triumphs in the aftermath of World War II. The war is over, but the threat of communism and the Cold War loom in the United States.

The Rose Society of Tucson

Rose Show

Saturday, November 3

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm in Trinity Hall



The theme is “Roses The Language of Love. The show offers a display of hundreds of roses: Hybrid Teas, Floribundas, Miniature Roses, Old Garden Roses, as well as beautiful rose arrangements and rose photography competition. The show is open to the public with free admission. Since it’s a fall show, a limited number of rose bushes will be for sale.

SESSION NOTES

At the September stated session meeting we spent some time discussing the opening chapter of Ben Campbell Johnson's book "Beyond the Ordinary – Spirituality for Church Leaders." Session members grappled with many questions concerning "an evident yearning among Presbyterians for a life of faith which is newer, fresher, more vibrant" and how we see and nurture this yearning within ourselves and amongst the congregation at Trinity. The Session will continue to study this book for the next several months.

The following lists the comings and goings of the work of the Session by its officers and committees:

- The Long Range Development Team reported that financing, appraisals and final drawings are on track to begin construction by November 1, 2018.
- Deacons are planning how to create a care team at Trinity.
- There are 189 members at Trinity PC.
- The examination of Rolls and Register and Session Minutes took place on August 25, 2018 and all were deemed commendable.
- The Congregational Nominating Committee needs everyone's help to identify those who will be great church leaders as an active deacon or elder.
- Mission Committee is gearing up for a very busy Second Sunday in December because of the 4th Avenue Street Fair.
- The Terry J. Dalke Social Services Center – Resource Center and Trinity Food Bank have made some adjustments to their services because of costs and persons taking advantage of those services.
- Property Committee is considering paint and flooring options for the Fellowship Hall upgrade.
- Stewardship & Finance are making plans for the fall stewardship campaign.
- Worship Committee's Peggy Chamberlain is directing a chancel drama planned for Reformation Sunday on October 28th.
- Administration & Personnel is conducting performance reviews for the staff and pastors.
- Christian Education lauds Kathy Moser as member-at-large and who will teach our 4 to 7 year olds.
- The Growth & Outreach Team is hosting a Bloodmobile on October 28th and making plans to paint the windows on the north side of the church among many other plans.

Session members prayed for those in the congregations in need of special care and concern.

Janet Hooper
Clerk of Session

Worship

REFORMATION SUNDAY



Reformation Sunday is October 28 and will be celebrated with the presentation of a chancel drama in worship at the 10:30 service. "You Were There : Reformation" by Michael A. Clarke is part of a series of plays in which a radio show host interviews people. In this case, they are people who knew Martin Luther including Luther's sister, who remembers their childhood; Yohann Tetzel, a Dominican friar; and Rabbi Josef, a childhood friend who responds to questions about Luther's writings on the Jews. A seminary classmate, a Roman Catholic cardinal, and a young girl who witnessed Luther's trial, complete the cast. As a participant you will not be required to memorize their parts & there will be a limited number of rehearsals. You are expected to rehearse your parts on your own so that when we do come together we are all prepared to run through the play. Please contact Peggy Chamberlain at redhead1402@comcast.net or call 520-490-7416 or 520-818-2839. Due to the large number of men in the cast, some men may be double cast or substitute women.

Make Your Voices Heard!!!



The Trinity Choir is always looking for new members and meets on **Thursdays at 7:00 pm** in the Sanctuary.

Ring A Bell!!!



The handbell choir meets at **5:30 pm Thursdays** upstairs in the Bell Room. New ringers are welcome!

Trinity Milestones

Honoring & Memorials

In Honor of Lynn Moser by Imogene Moser

In Memory of Verneta Steadman by Leone Mohney

Trinity Women

The Horizon's Bible Study will be in Fellowship Hall, **October 9, at 10:00 am.** Join us as Dr. Mack leads this study.



Ryan's Bears will meet **Tuesday, October 16, 9:30 am** in the Lower Lounge to prepare bears for Christmas giving. Help is needed to cut out bears, stuff bears and stitch them closed. Any questions call Ruth Myers 326-6888



OCTOBER SCRIPTURE READINGS

October 7 Job 1:1; 2:1-10; Ps. 26; Heb. 1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16

October 14 Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Ps. 22:1-15; Heb. 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

October 21 Job 38:1-7 (34-41); Ps. 104:1-9, 24, 35c; Heb. 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

October 28 Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Ps. 34:1-8 (19-22); Heb. 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

October Birthdays

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| 4 | Emelia Maycher | 18 | Koffi Seddo |
| 7 | Debbie Hobbs | 19 | Jennifer Lohse |
| 9 | Roberta Stevenson-McDermott | 23 | Jan LaWall |
| 9 | Barbara Wiley - 96 | 24 | Kuman Tenge |
| 11 | Derry Dean | 25 | Latre Lawson Adokpo |
| 12 | John Price | 26 | Doug Holland |
| 17 | Glenn Moyer | 27 | Margaret McConnell |
| | | 31 | Mary Wong - 94 |

November Birthdays (1—10)

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| 2 | LaRue Woslum | 10 | Christine Toering |
| 3 | Greg Keidel | 10 | Cameron Toering |
| 4 | Dave Cotton | | |
| 5 | Lily Chacon | | |
| 5 | Evelyn Chapman | | |



October Anniversaries

- 15 Bart & Heather Lind
17 Ed & Daphne Madson



Summer Activity Nights
- Heritage Night



Mission Sunday
Projects

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We are "LIVE" streaming the 10:30 am service if you cannot attend. It is on the home page of our website.

Visit our website at www.trinitytucson.org for all the information and events you are looking for.



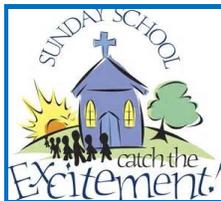
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Deadline for the November 2018 *VISION* is
Thursday, October 18
Please submit typewritten articles to the church
office or to: office@trinitytucson.org



Come As You Are!



FOOD DRIVE

Bring non perishable
items before **October
14** for Trinity's Food
Pantry to celebrate the
United Nations World
Food Day