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Are you confident that the Lord is working things out in your life?

A man approached a little league baseball game one afternoon. He asked a boy in the dugout what the score was. The boy responded, "Eighteen to nothing—we're behind." "Wow," said the spectator, "I'll bet you're discouraged." "Why should I be discouraged?" replied the little boy. "We haven't even gotten up to bat yet!"

Wouldn't you like to be more confident in life? The Bible tells us that faith or assurance rests on full-sized realities established by our Lord. We're told, "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1). The key reality spoken of here is that "in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them..." (2 Corinthians 5:19). Genuine confidence relies on the fact that God established eternal peace with us through

the forgiveness of our sins and the overcoming of death's tyranny through the resurrection of Christ from the grave.

God's love for us, as demonstrated through our Lord Jesus Christ, is undeniable. But, as a result of our weaknesses, we need to be reminded of His love frequently. The psalmist pleaded, "Make me to know Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long" (Psalm 25:4-5)

The little leaguer said confidently, "You haven't seen anything yet." We, by God's strength declare, "No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us." (Romans 8:37). That is genuine confidence.



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Shirley & Andy Schlange,
Frank
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Trudi Intemann,
Larry & Gaylene Burkett
Terri Cuesta,
Diana Kenyon
**(Ramona Haugen's
Daughter),**
Ashley Schenk
**(Ramona Haugen's
Granddaughter),**
Grete Wollock
(Wanda Lahn's friend),
Bill Marsaglia,
Ross Ryding
Jim Scheuer
Robby Smith
Suzanne Velasco
(Wirtenberger's daughter)

Cancer Treatments

Michelle Ungaro
(sister of Renee Young),
Sharon Leath,
Sequoia
**(8yr old granddaughter of Bill
and Sandy Bell),**
Kathy Bredesen
(Trudi Intemann's daughter
Andy
**(friend of Rocky & Renee
Young),**
Janice Hammer
**(sister of winter visitor
Shirley Hess),**
Loretta
(friend of Kris Chamberlain)
Israel Ruiz
(son of Pastor & Eunice Ruiz),
Terrie Medeiros **(friend of
Willard Mears)**

TLC Bible Study Schedule

Tuesdays @ 7pm Bible Study on Zoom

Thursdays @ 7pm Bible Study on Zoom

Fridays @ 10am DOA (**D**aughters **O**f the **A**lmighty)

Women's Bible Study (Oct.—April)

2nd Saturday of the month @ 8am Men's Bible Breakfast

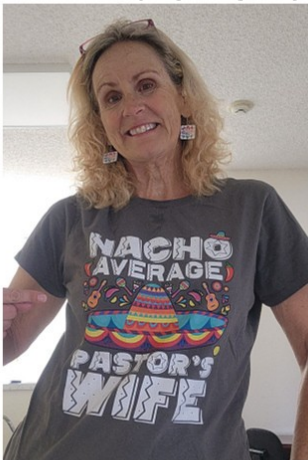
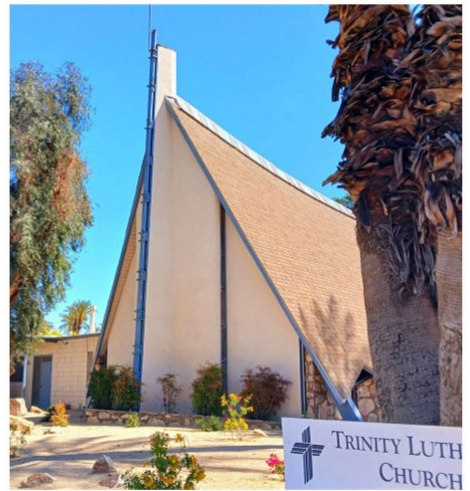
Fellowship Center (Sept.—May)

We invite you to join us each week for Bible studies that are
offered via Zoom, Tuesdays and Thursdays

A link is sent to your email with the clickable link and pass
code which enables you to enter the Zoom class

**Please contact Pastor Smith if you are interested
in joining an online Bible study.**

Pastor Smith @ 760 485-5171 or Email: Revs455@verizon.net



Jubilee Sunday



M.A.S.S. NEWS

Men Assisting Seminary Students

BEN WAGNER

Ben is now heading into the final's week. He states things are going well overall but, as they are near the end, the workload has piled up. Papers, projects, and exams are keeping him occupied, but he is thankful to be approaching the finish line. He should be officially done with classes by May 16th.

On May 30th, he will be heading to the Dominican Republic for a short-term mission trip that also doubles as a Spanish intensive. He will be there until mid-July, working alongside Lutheran missionaries and trying to improve his Spanish skills. It is an incredible opportunity to learn, serve, and learn about their culture.

Ben was elected to serve as the Spiritual Life Chair for his student body. He talked with the current chair, and it sounds like it'll be a manageable role—just one or two hours a week. He will be focusing on planning student-led spiritual life events on campus.

He is so thankful for the prayers, encouragement, and support you folks provide. He carries this with him every day as you make the time of preparation possible. He asks to keep him your prayers as finals approach.

Russ Campbell

**Final Men's Breakfast f
or the season, May 10
8 :00 am-9:30 am @ FELLOWSHIP
CENTER**

Invite a friend and come
enjoy some hot coffee,
breakfast, Bible Study and
great fellowship!



FREE WILL OFFERING

**WINNER, WINNER
CHICKEN DINNER!!!**

We have a WINNER! All the children continue to be excited about our "Bring Your Bible to Sunday School" raffle. Each Sunday they bring their Bibles they are entered into the end of season Quilt drawing. This is a great incentive for the children to learn to carry God's Word with them and we teach them how to look up the Bible stories for themselves. Congratulations to Nathan Johnson, this year's Quilt winner!!!

They Also Serve

This is for people who wish they could do more. Never underestimate the witness of your presence. We have all heard the phrase "the more the merrier!" A few more in Bible study, even if you never speak encourages the whole class. Your presence in worship adds to the worship. Your presence at a meeting, game day, Family night, adds to time you are here. You may feel your attendance does not matter, but it does matter to others.

Strengthen your commitment through fellowship.

Do not give up the habit of meeting together, rather encourage one another.

Hebrews 10:24-25

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart. As working for the Lord and not for men.

Colossians 3:23

The Church Council.

WINGS
Ladies' Night
May 16 @ 6pm

Fellowship Center
Sign up now!



L W M L
**Lutheran Women's
Missionary League**

Hello ladies of Trinity!!

We had a very good turnout for our last luncheon which featured Lutheran Church Charities and their service dogs. We got to meet three of the beautiful dogs (they only use Golden Retrievers) and their handlers/caretakers. We learned about their training and heard some wonderful stories about how they have made a difference in lives they have touched. The stories about how they have helped out servicemen were especially inspiring.

Next month on Thursday May 8 at 10:30am we will have our last luncheon of the season. Pastor Smith will give a talk on the differences between the synods in the Lutheran Church which should be very enlightening. Everyone is welcome and we would enjoy seeing more of you!! And of course there is lunch.....don't forget your mite boxes!

We will not have meetings in June, July or August and will pick up again in September. Please consider joining us for some good programs and lots of great fellowship.

In Christ,

Kris Chamberlain, LWML VP

Bring your mite Box!



May Birthdays

4	Dani Osornio
9	Joey White
9	Renee Young
15	Amy Frese
16	Bobbi Smith
20	Larry Burkett
29	Debra Johnson
30	Alfred Zutz
	* Winter Visitor



TLC Ushers Schedule May2025

May 4

Bob Wirtenberger & Jim Ducatte

May 11

Russ Campbell & Jerry Ellerbusch

May 18

Bob Wirtenberger & Jim Ducatte

May 25

Russ Campbell & Jerry Ellerbusch



May Anniversary

4	Francisco & Eunice Ruiz
4	Bob & Irene Wirtenberger
5	Blake & Carissa Carlson
23	TJ & Janet Berger
31	*Kevin & Donna Anderson
	* Winter Visitors

Altar Guild May 2025

May 4

Renee Young & Ramona Haugen
Annie Giles & Maggie Negron

May 11

Beverly Ducatte & Alice Musashi
Irene Wirtenberger

May 18

Sharlene Kay & Cynthia Berke
Beverly Ducatte

May 25

Ali Young & Renee Young
Jeri Burgess & Sharon Leath

Greeters May 2025

May 4

Donna Ellerbusch & Ramona Haugen
Wanda Lahn

May 11

Bob & Irene Wirtenberger

May 18

Donna Ellerbusch & Ramona Haugen
Wanda Lahn

May 25

Karen Johnson



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"Ever Seeing God"

A few months ago I was sitting at a stuck signal. It was red in every direction. After a few minutes I drove through it. When I got home 20 minutes later, there was a message on my computer: **It is illegal to drive through a stuck signal. You must wait for the police.** A camera had caught me.

Several years ago, a man was killed in Los Angeles in the parking lot of UCLA. It was seen on camera so the killer was known. Three days later, he was seen crossing into Mexico from El Paso.

There are cameras everywhere: store fronts, parking lots, lamp posts street lights, doorbells. Our lives are under constant observation. We can go nowhere public that we are not under observation. Fortunately, most sightings are gone in 24 hours when the film loops.

It is the same with God. He is ever vigilant. Twenty four hours a day, every minute of our lives, God is watching us.

Every hour God looks out for you.

2 Thessalonians 3:3

Every minute, God cares for you. 1 Peter 5:7

Everyday God thinks of you Psalm 68:19

I have loved you with an everlasting love;

Jeremiah 31:3a

God is the same as the cameras that wipe away our activities. He does not remember how we have sinned.

I will remember their sins and lawless deed o more. Hebrews 10:17

What a blessed assurance it is to know we are never alone. God's love shields us from every danger!

Thank You God!

Phyllis Hafliger

Library News

By the time you read this, all the books will have been catalogued and the non-fictions shelves marked with the type of books or authors of the books. We have many inspiration books—some by authors from the past and some by news authors. **Stop by the Library and see what we have! You will probably find something that interests you.**

We have several new fiction books, among them several by Pastor Dan Schmeltzer. They are stories about Old Testament men.

All new books are on top of the shelves to you can easily find them.



Vacation Bible School



**June 21
Saturday**

8:45am - 1:00pm

More Info coming soon!



Bring Your Bible Winner

He's Risen!



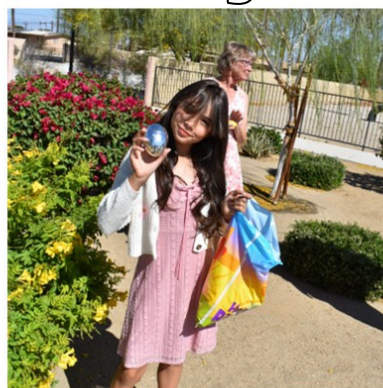
Easter Sunday



Welcome to TLC



New Sign





May 2025



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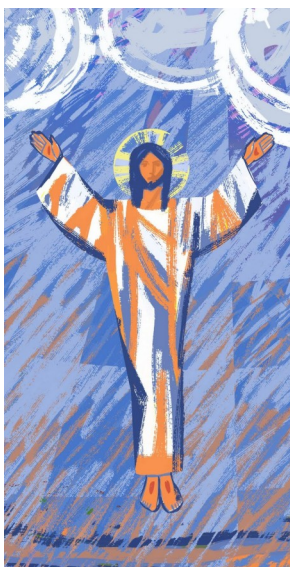


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Sunday Schedule

Adult Bible Class - 8:30am
Divine Worship - 10:00am
Sunday School - 11:30am
June-August- No Sunday School

**TLC Ascension Day Service
& Ice Cream Social**



**Thursday, May 29
6:30pm**

**Ice Cream Social
in the
Fellowship Center
will be directly
following
the worship service.**



**Church
Cleanup**



**Friday, May 23
8:30am - 10:00am**

See you there!