



TRINITY "ALIVE"

Trinity Lutheran Church and School

November 2018

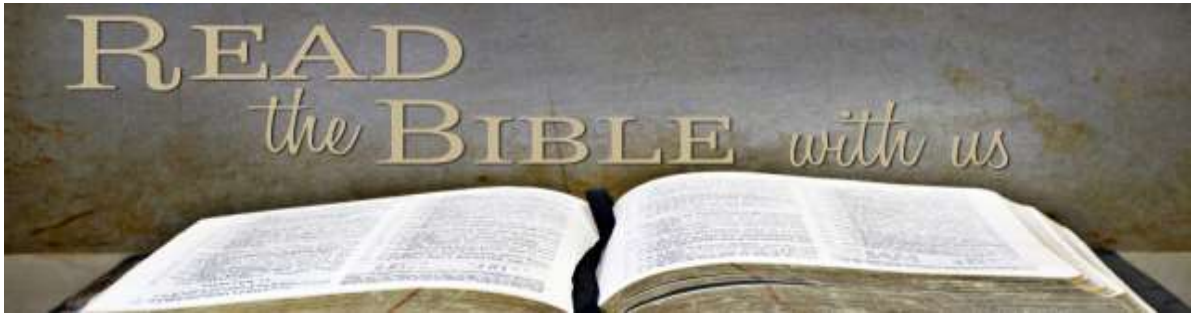


CHURCH 708-532-9395 E-MAIL church@tlcs.org
SCHOOL 708-532-3529 E-MAIL school@tlcs.org
Web-site tlcs.org Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8-4
Traditional Worship: Sat. 6:00 pm – Sun. 8:00 & 9:30 am
Contemporary Worship: Sunday 11:00 am



6850 W. 159th Street, Tinley Park, IL 60477

I will give thanks to You, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of
all Your wonderful deeds. Psalm 9:1



10 MINUTES EACH DAY IN HIS WORD

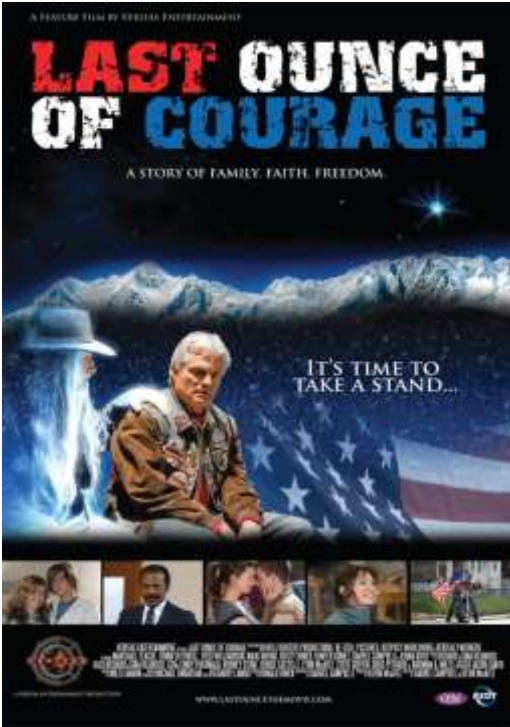
We shall go through the Bible in its entirety, reading at least one chapter a day. We alternate between the Old and New Testaments. This mixing provides a refreshing variety. God Bless your time spent in His Word.

Nov	1	Philippians	4
Nov	2	Psalms	41
Nov	3	Psalms	42
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MOVIE EVENT

“Last Ounce of Courage”
Sunday, November 18th at 3 pm



After his son's death defending America, Bob Revere loses his passion for life. But when his grandson is threatened with suspension for bringing a Bible to school, he takes a stand for freedom and reintroduces Christ into Christmas. Accused of violating the Constitution, can Bob reignite the faith of this small community---or is it too late?

Rated PG. Approx. 99 minutes

All movies are free of charge. Everyone is invited. Bring your friends, family, and neighbors. There will be a charge for water and small snacks, which will go to support our missions and ministries.

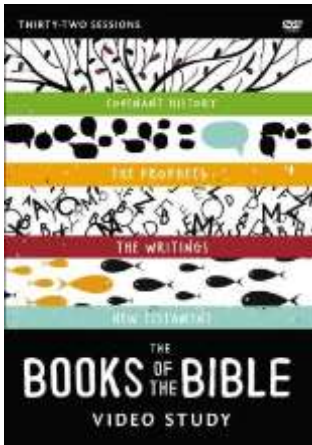
We hope you enjoy the Trinity Movie Events. This is a time for learning, fellowship and inviting others to join you as we watch faith filled films.

God Bless your time spent learning and growing in your faith.



SMALL GROUPS

Contact Nettie Schuman
aschuman@tlcs.org
708-532-9395 x229

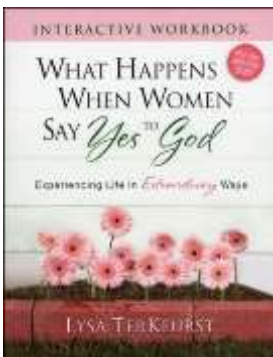


Tuesday = This group meets at 7 pm at the church. We will be starting a new series on November 13th. We will be studying the Books of The Bible. If you wish to join please contact me so I can have enough materials on hand

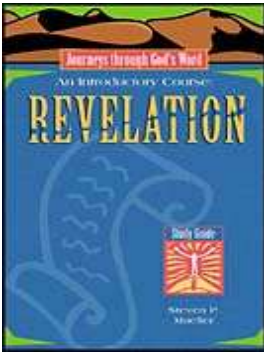
Wednesday = This groups meets at 12 noon at the church. We will be starting a new series on November 14th. We will be studying the Books of The Bible. If you wish to join please contact me so I can have enough materials on hand



Adult Bible Study = This group meets every Sunday at 9:30 am in the Old Chapel, led by Connie Strand. You can join at any time. This group digs into the Bible and the meaning of the verses. This group meets Fall through Spring.



Women's Bible Study = The group meets every Sunday at 9:30 am in the Conference Room, led by Vivette Payne. They will be studying "What Happens When Women Say Yes to God". Starting November 18th. They meet Fall through Spring. You can join at any time.



Senior Lunch/Bunch = They meet every Tuesday at 11 am in the Old Chapel. Led by Bill Birk. After a one-hour study you can stick around for lunch and fellowship. They are studying Revelations. You are free to join this group at any time. This group meets Fall through Spring.



Family Bible Study = They will meet November 8th and 15th at 7 pm. Led by Julie Gratzke. This is a great time to get together with families of children ages 3-7 and their siblings. They have a Bible lesson, craft and a snack. Please feel free to join this fun group at any time.



Men's Bible Study = There are two opportunities to meet. Wednesdays at 7pm or Saturday at 7 am Led by Marco Melone and Adrian Palomeque. The Men's Group is on a break until the Winter Sessions begin.

If you have any questions or comments about Small Groups please contact Nettie.

GOD BLESS YOUR TIME SPENT IN HIS WORD!



Surviving The Holidays When You Have Lost a Loved One

**Tuesday, November 13th
1:00 pm or 7:30 pm**

**Trinity Lutheran Church
6850 West 159th Street, Tinley Park**

The holidays can be a very difficult time when you have lost a loved one. As you approach Thanksgiving and Christmas, you may feel apprehensive about your gatherings, and worry about your family traditions that will be very different. The "Surviving The Holidays" session will help you prepare for the holidays. Please join us on either date in the Conference Room for this presentation that will help you prepare for, and experience, the holidays after you have lost a loved one.

Please RSVP to Nettie Schuman:
708-532-9395 or aschuman@tlcs.org

2nd SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP NOVEMBER 11TH

(After the 11 am Service)

Contact Drew Denlinger
adenlinger@tlcs.org



November 11th following the Reveal Worship service. All are welcomed to join. We will be serving sloppy joes and beverages.

Second Sunday Fellowship is a great way to enjoy a meal and dive into great conversation with our church family. A free will offering will be accepted.

Bring a friend!

CULVER'S KICKBACK DAY

Tuesday, November 6th



Tuesday, November 6th is another Culver's Kickback Day at the Culvers in Tinley Park, 18248 Sayre Ave. (183rd & Harlem)

Eat at Culvers anytime on this day. When purchasing your food, **please ask for your receipt to be placed in the box for Trinity.** Trinity will receive 10% of all receipts for the day. Trinity has received hundreds of dollars each year through

Culvers Kickback Days. If you use the drive-up, simply tell the employee your purchase is for Trinity Lutheran School.

Warm up with their delicious chili!

2019 GOD'S CREATION CALENDARS



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SOCIAL MINISTRY

Charlene Hyre 708-687-8716
Joan Miller 708-429-0411

We have begun our Holiday Food Basket collection. Please place your non-perishable food donations on the tables in the old narthex. Gift certificates can be dropped off in the church office.

For a list of suggested foods for the basket, please pick-up the list on the bulletin board in the Trinity Room.

The deadline to drop off food is Thursday, November 15th.

Thank you in advance as you share your blessings with the less fortunate. Please contact us if you or someone you know could use a little assistance this holiday season

**COMMUNITY – LUTHERAN
SENIOR WORSHIP SERVICES**
Led by Pastor Rick Schauer



Nov. 2nd @ 1:30 pm
Heartis Senior Living
(ambulatory residents)
7420 W. 159th St.
Orland Park, IL 60462

Nov. 16th @ 2:30 pm
Bickford of Tinley Park
(ambulatory residents)
17301 80th Avenue
Tinley Park, IL 60477

Nov. 2nd @ 2:30 pm
Providence Healthcare & Rehab
(wheel care patients)
13259 S. Central Avenue
Palos Heights, IL 60463

Nov. 16th @ 3:30 pm
Tinley Court Senior Living
(ambulatory residents)
16301 Bremontowne Road
Tinley Park, IL 60477

“**THANK YOU**” to all of our **Trinity Volunteers** who *joyfully* give of their time, *happily* escort wheel chair residents to our worship service and back to their rooms, *assist* turning Hymn Book pages, and make all residents feel very **WELCOMED & SPECIAL!**

**WE NEED a FEW MORE VOLUNTEERS at PROVIDENCE
on 1st Friday of each month.**

**Can YOU join us? Have any QUESTIONS?
Please call Vern Karris (708-403-7589).**

IT'S YOUTH TIME
ALL Junior and Senior High Youth
Grades 6-12



November Calendar includes:

- Skin Care and Make-up Class
 - Bingo / Root beer Float Night
 - Tool Time
 - Practical Life Skills- Money Management
 - Cooking Class- Make Soft Pretzels
 - Yoga Class for Beginners
 - Youth Christmas Tree Decorating with Pizza and Hot Chocolate
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- We will also continue 2x a month the Sunday Night Youth Night with Bible Study on Fruit of the Spirit and a fun activity following. Dinner is included.
 - November 14th will be a Youth Service Project at All God's People Warehouse.

**PLEASE SIGN UP FOR ALL ACTIVITIES ON THE YOUTH CALENDAR INCLUDED
IN THE TRINITY ALIVE...
EXCEPT FOR SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDIES.
YOU DO NOT NEED TO SIGN UP FOR THEM.**

**YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR ACTIVITIES IN THE CHURCH NARTHEX OR BY
E-MAILING OR TEXTING GAIL LARSON AT glarson@tlcs.org or 708-261-6523.**

**HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUTH GROUP OR BIBLE STUDY? WANT TO JOIN
BUT NOT SURE HOW? Gail Larson**

BRING A FRIEND



CHRISTIAN WRITERS

Many of you many have these thoughts: I'm not a writer. I don't have any training. Then you ask yourself how can I be in the Christian Writers Group? Here is what a couple of us have to say about your thoughts and question.



I never thought writing was something I'd consider doing. Oh sure, I would write an occasional letter and send out a greeting or sympathy card. My writing consisted of instructional/technical manuals during my college and work years.

Our Lord showed me the writing group as an opportunity to spread His Word and I took Him up on it. That inspiration took place more than five years ago. Writing has been a blessing to me in many ways. It causes me to search the scriptures and in doing so, I find a new level of understanding of the Bible. The number of my small group friends has increased, a blessing in itself.

Please plan to sit in with us at one of our meetings. You never know what talents God may have given you until you put them to work in His service.

Terry Sunke



That's ok. Most of us haven't. I'm an engineer and only took one writing class in college. The only writing I ever did was reports and proposals for work. I was once asked to write an article about my department for a book the hospital was putting together for its 80th anniversary. I had fun doing that and it was well received. When Trinity started the Writing Group my wife challenged me to try it. Nine years later the Lord is still giving me topics.

We are looking for people who can share what is on their hearts, not be able to use perfect grammar and punctuation. We help each other to make our writing look more presentable. In the Writers Group, we like each other's company and want each of us to develop our writing skills to be able to glorify our God through pen and ink (or computers and word processors as case might be).

Bill Luebcke

ALTAR GUILD

Kathy Michaelsen Director 708-873-1619



Our Fall Planning Meeting was very productive. We had the opportunity to schedule the next several months for preparing Holy Communion as well as plan for the upcoming Holidays. We thoroughly enjoy decorating the Altar for Thanksgiving and Christmas. We look forward to this tradition and we are thankful for the new members that will be joining us this year!

We wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving.

“Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.”

1 Chronicles 16:34

Book Sale

Bob and Erna Schmid were members here at Trinity for over 30 years. Erna became a deaconess in 1992. She has written 2 books.



Mama's Little Shadow – A memorial to her Mama whose faith and love of God helped her overcome many obstacles. Starting from nothing 3 times in her life – after returning from Siberia in 1918 and beginning a new life in Germany; escaping from Russian troops in 1945; then when the family emigrated to the United States in 1956 under auspice of the Lutheran Refugee Service.

Not for the Faint of Heart – Erna's story of 20 years visiting the sick, lonely, the dying and the imprisoned. When Erna retired from Carl Sandburg High School, she served as deaconess in Holland, Michigan in the summer and Tucson, Arizona in the winter. She served in several settings – hospitals, nursing homes, hospice, homebound, and several prisons.

You can purchase one or both of these for \$10.00 each. With the purchase of each book, Erna will send a donation to the Clara Strehlow Fund at Concordia University Chicago. This fund gives scholarships to deaconess students. To order: pick up an order form on the table outside the church office.



LWML
Contact Linda Burns
708-444-4756



Thank you for all the generous donations and positive feedback and thank you all for another successful LWML Sunday which was celebrated on October 6th and 7th. We appreciate all the positive feedback from the congregation and our awesome Pastors! The ladies continue to “Serve the Lord with Gladness”, and pray for continued blessings for all the LWML societies nationwide.

Our morning group will meet on Thursdays from 10am to noon in the Trinity Room. Our evening group will meet on November 1st and November 15th, from 6pm to 9pm in the Conference. Please stop by and see us at either of these sessions – we’d love to have you sit with us for a while!



We are still helping the school with their Box Tops for Education Drive and Coke points as well as saving and trimming cancelled postage stamps. All these items can be placed in the marked boxes in the Trinity Room Hallway. Note: If you are trimming the stamps yourself, please leave about a ¼” border completely around the stamp. These stamps are collected district wide and then sold to a collector with the proceeds going towards funding

the mission grants. Thanks for helping us to help others!



Please place any donations for LWML in the purple box in the Trinity Room. Mite boxes or coins can be placed in the wooden box also in the Trinity Room – (Gift cards can be left in the church office. Please mark for LWML).

As always, thanks for all you do! If you need information or have any questions, please call Linda Burns.

God’s Blessings



Children's Ministries

Lisa Redmond, Director

kids@tlcs.org or 708-532-9395 x 231

Our Annual Triangles Basketball Social!!!

Sunday, November 11, 11am-1pm in the Trinity Gym. **All kids from 4th to 8th grade is welcome.** Come dressed for a workout and bring your water bottle! We are also asking for a \$2 mission offering for our Compassion International friends. This will be our final **Triangles** event for the year. For more information about Triangles and for a complete calendar of dates, email kids@tlcs.org.



Please Note!!!

****No Sunday School on Sunday, November 4th****

Also, on Sunday, November 25, the 1st–5th graders will meet in the Music Room for an hour of Christmas service preparation. (The Pre-K & Kindergarten classes will be enjoying a special movie that morning.)

Sunday School News

Children ages 3 to Grade 5 can enroll at any time. Registration is available online at tlcs.org (click on the Sunday School slide) as well as paper forms available outside the Children's Ministries office. Visiting children are always welcome!

Sunday School classes are from 9:30–10:30 each Sunday. Children in preschool and kindergarten meet in the Gym, while children in Grades 1–5 meet in the Music Room.



We Need YOU! We need **VOLUNTEERS!!!** We could use more helpers and workshop leaders. Our lessons are effortless, and we will train you!!! Our workshop leaders prepare only one lesson for the month and then teach it each week to a different group of children. **The next 4-week rotation will be Nov. 11, Nov. 18, Dec. 2, & Dec. 9th.** We will be teaching the story of Jesus' birth.

During this end-of-the-year rotation, we usually incorporate making Christmas ornaments and Christmas treats into every lesson. Come join us. You will be blessed by this experience. Teach solo, or bring along your family and friends to team teach. (In January we will be teaching '**Jesus Feeds 5,000**')



We could also use some “muscle.” We must set-up tables in the gym every Sunday morning. If you arrive at church any time before 9:00am, it would only take you a few minutes each morning to set-up the gym. And if you can stop by the gym around 10:30am, helping us break down those tables would be HUGE!

Please contact Lisa Redmond at kids@tlcs.org or 708.532.9395 x231 for more information.

Reveal Kids Bible Lessons



Volunteers from 6th grade to Adult are needed to serve as teachers and helpers for the Reveal Kids Bible Lessons each week during the 11:00 service sermon. Basically, we need a few more people to help supervise the children. It’s as simple as being there in the room with the workshop leader.

These lessons are open to children ages 4–8. Each lesson lasts about 20-25 minutes, and we will supply you with the lesson and all the supplies you’ll need.



Trunk or Treat & G.L.O.W.

Thank you to all of the families and volunteers who made our annual Trunk or Treat & G.L.O.W. (God Lights Our World) fall festival a success!

SAVE THE DATE!!!

The **Sunday School Christmas Program** will be on Saturday, December 15th at 6pm. **Questions?** Contact Lisa Redmond, Director of Children’s Ministries.



TRINITY SCHOOL

school@tlcs.org 708-532-3529

Gerald Gliege – Principal

Gretchen Lynch – School Administrative Assistant



Trinity Lutheran School exists to challenge and enable young people to grow in both Christian Spirit and academic wisdom, and to prepare them to be witnesses in God's Kingdom.



There will be no school on November 1 and 2 as they will be participating in PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES. Please keep the faculty and families in your prayers as they share time in these thoughtful and important discussions. **There will be no school for ALL grades on Monday, November 5th.**



Wreath sales will close on Tuesday, November 6th. If you would like to make a wreath or poinsettia purchase from Trinity's 8th graders, please contact the school office at 708-532-3529.

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Veterans Day Service-This school year, Miss Piel's 6th grade class has the privilege of leading the Veterans Day service at Trinity. Parents and veterans are invited to join us on Friday, November 9 at 8:05 a.m. This service will be attended by the students, faculty, and staff at Trinity, as well as veterans and other members from our church and community.



THANKSGIVING FEAST ... Trinity's annual Thanksgiving Feast for the students, faculty, and staff of Trinity is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13th. This meal is graciously prepared and shared by Trinity's PTL with no cost to the students.



SPEAKING OF OUR PTL...Our amazing PTL Executive Board includes Sarah Martinez, Heather Kochanski, Autumn Connaughton and Alison Drabik. We will continue to update you with the many upcoming events planned by PTL including an auction at 115 Bourbon Street on April 6th.



GRANDPERSONS' DAY is scheduled for Wednesday, November 21st from 8:45 a.m. to noon. This is an exciting event at Trinity which includes a worship service led by Pastor Strand, classroom visits, a book fair, and a special assembly presented by the students of Trinity are all part of the day's agenda!



YOUR GENEROSITY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED ... Thanks to the many members who have already donated thus year to Trinity Lutheran School's numerous memorial funds. These dollars are used to better the educational program at Trinity in a variety of ways. The purchases of library books, technology, helping students attend Walcamp, or classroom furniture for the students or teaching staff are just a few ways this money is used. Often donations are matched by the donor's employer. If you are interested in donating, please feel free to do so. Should you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Mr. Jerry Gliege, school administrator.



JUNIOR HIGH DANCE... Trinity's Student Council is sponsoring a dance on Saturday, December 1, 2018 for students in grades 6, 7 and 8. The dance will begin at 7:00 P.M. and conclude at 9:00 P.M. **All members** of Trinity currently in grades 6, 7 and 8 are invited to attend, and bring a friend! Mark your calendar now! Permission forms will be available at the end of November.

The Cherub Choir (grades K and 1), led by Mrs. Mary Bliss, will be singing at the 8 a.m. service on Sunday, November 11th. Also, the Trinity Chimes (grades 6, 7 and 8), led by Miss Tiffany Gurgel, will be ringing at the 8 a.m. service on Sunday, November 18th.

THANK YOU, members of Trinity, for all your prayers and support for the families of Trinity Lutheran Church and School.



CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS. KATHY BOOR who was recently recognized at the Northern Illinois District Teachers Conference with the Mustard Seed Award for her dedication to volunteering with our church and school. Kathy has dedicated 43 years of her life to the ministry of the church. This humble servant is often one of the first in the building and one of the last to leave as she leads the extended care program that she created upon her arrival at Trinity. Kathy makes it a priority to be at almost every track meet as well as every home soccer, basketball, and volleyball game cheering

on the kids and coaches, helping in the concession stand, and cleaning up afterwards. She is the aide for grades 5-8, but has worked way beyond her part-time status the entirety of her ministry years at Trinity. Whether it is selling tickets for the fall and spring plays, helping with bake sales, Christmas wreath sales, calendar sales, creating ornaments with the 5th graders to sell at Santa's Secret Workshop, cooking for and facilitating our Tuesday Fundraiser lunches for the entire school, or helping teachers in their classrooms from the beginning of August to mid-June, we wonder how she fits in making hand-crafted gifts for the staff. Kathy Boor has taught many people about how to humbly serve. We are beyond blessed by her example and her dedication to her calling.

Trinity Lutheran School's Middle Grade Choir Proudly Presents... *The Crook & The Choir!*



A brand-new musical with a story written by Miss Laura Piel and songs selected and conducted by Mrs. Mary Bliss. Come see this uplifting show for all ages about God's unfailing love and blessings!

In the midst of the Great Depression, career criminal Jack Moretti finds himself out of luck (and money!) when he is released from a 5-year prison sentence onto the poverty-stricken streets of New York City. He quickly sets his sights on the Midwest when he meets Martin Jones, who is traveling to Missouri to take over as head pastor of Grace Lutheran Church. Thinking quickly, Jack steals Martin's identity and heads west in the hopes of scheming the good people of Marville, Missouri out of their money. Will Jack follow through with his devious machinations, or will he surrender to God's will and change his life for the better?

Performances: Wed., Nov. 14 in the church at 8:05am during chapel and 6:30pm

Entrance is free! There will be a free-will offering after the service.

Governance Board

govboard@tlcs.org

With blessings and peace to our fellow members, the Governance Board shares our areas of focus and achievement since last reporting in May of this year.

- ❖ Orientation of new Governance Board members
- ❖ Review of Financial and Policy Monitoring Reports from the Senior Pastor
- ❖ Review of monthly Senior Pastor's report
- ❖ Research into Gifting Procedures
- ❖ Strategic direction review
- ❖ Response to NID on Constitution clarity regarding powers of Voters' Assembly
- ❖ Selection of Governance Board Officers
- ❖ 2019 Nominating Committee for Governance Board
- ❖ Voters' Assembly attendance records
- ❖ Annual agenda
- ❖ Annual audit plan
- ❖ Policy on alcohol at church/school functions
- ❖ Discussion and planning for this Voters' Assembly meeting

The Governance Board selected its 2018-2019 officers:

- ❖ Chairman – Wayne VanderVelde
- ❖ Vice-Chairman – Dale Brauer
- ❖ Secretary – Cheryl Michalow

The Governance Board section of Trinity's web site needs much updating and the Secretary will begin this process as soon, as the new website is scheduled to be in place in the near future. Trinity's Constitution and Bylaws document as well as the Governance Board Policy Manual residing here are current.

As always, we welcome your input, concerns, and questions. Remember that we love Trinity as much as you do, and the work we do is for our God and for you! The best way to reach us is via the email address GovBoard@tlcs.org, which every member of the Board receives. Kindly pray for the Governance Board – that we would know God's will for our congregation and follow it. Many thanks to all who contribute their time, talents and treasures to fill this place with love and make it our church home.

Rev. Paul Strand (x222).....	pstrand@tlcs.org	.....	Senior Pastor
Rev. Richard Schauer (x223).....	rschauer@tlcs.org	.....	Associate Pastor
Andrew Denlinger (x287)...	adenlinger@tlcs.org	.....	Director of Contemporary Worship
Mistee Plattner.....	mplattnr@tlcs.org	.....	Business Manager
Ron Rezek	rrezek@tlcs.org	.....	Building Manager
Linda Nemes (x221)...	lnemes@tlcs.org	.....	Church Office Administrative Assistant
Vicki Bennitt (x267).....	financemgr@tlcs.org	.....	Finance Manager
Governance Board	govboard@tlcs.org	.....
Jo Rodenburg (x230)	jrodenburg@tlcs.org	.....	Director of Choir
Jason Michalec (x230)..	jmichalec@tlcs.org	.....	Organist and Director of Handbells
Lisa Redmond (x231).....	kids@tlcs.org	.....	Director of Children's Ministries
Annette Schuman (x229) ...	aschuman@tlcs.org	.....	Director of Service and Small Groups
Kathy Gilmore (x232).....	kgilmore@tlcs.org	.....	Director of Connections
Gerard Gliege (x240).....	ggliege@tlcs.org	.....	Principal
Melissa Basile (x225)...	admissions@tlcs.org	.....	School Admissions Counselor
Gretchen Lynch	school@tlcs.org	.....	School Administrative Assistant

Note from the Editor: The FMSC event was a wonderful success because of the many people that stepped up to help or donate. God be praised. If you would like something published in this newsletter please contact Annette at aschuman@tlcs.org Thank you and may God Bless!



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deadline is November 15th*