



Welcome Back Pastor Bredeson!

## Church Picnic

When: Sunday, September 11, 2016

What time: immediately after church

Where: East Portal Park at 51st & M St.

Potluck: A-L bring hot dish & dessert  
M-Z bring hot dish & salad

Drinks, plates, and plastic ware provided

Games, Bounce House, fishing game for kids, volleyball, games for adults

Let's welcome Pastor back home!!!

Hope to see you all there!!!

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### Thank you's

-Thank you for all the lovely cards I received while I was down with a broken foot. Thanks all!

Lynn

-Dear Members of Trinity Lutheran Church,

This thank you is very late in coming but we would like to thank you, once again, for allowing us to stay in your fellowship hall during our field trip to Sacramento. Your facilities are beautiful and our students always love their opportunity to play basketball with their parents and teachers.

We appreciate Gary's willingness to let us in and get us situated every year.

May God continue to bless your ministry and the mission of spreading the Gospel which we share.

In His Service,  
Diane C and  
Sue S  
4th Grade teachers  
Grace, Visalia

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### Rally Day

Please join us for our annual celebration of Rally Day. Rally Day is our kick-off for the new school year for our Sunday School and Adult Bible classes. We will be celebrating during our Bible class time on **Sunday, September 11th**. We will provide a continental breakfast and will recognize the students advancement to the next grade level as well as recognizing our teachers and the Praise Band. Teachers will be commissioned during the church service. Hope you can all join us as we celebrate a new year of Bible study.

### Outreach

Hi Everyone,

Thank you for participating this summer when we were collecting bottled water to give to Sacramento Loaves and Fishes. Tim Webb and his boys made two trips to deliver 40 cases of bottled water-that was 2,000 bottles of water!

Money Work\$ began April 18th, with graduation scheduled for October 10th. Trinity offers babysitting and homework help while parents attend the classes. Are you interested?

The initial pilot group of "Grief share" is underway. This Christ-based program centers around a weekly video, a daily workbook, and discussion. Our wonderful small group has been a godsend! If you have any questions or would like to be involved, please let me know.

Sincerely-Barbara

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# Coming Soon: TV Classics on DVD

by Paul Schreiber

Poignant storylines, moving dialogue, early-career actors who went on to fame in television and film—all this is what viewers will find in nine select episodes of *This is the Life Classics* scheduled for release on DVD this fall. As a way to maximize the spiritual content of each half-hour drama, a discussion guide is included, which makes, in effect, each program a stand-alone Bible study.

First appearing under the title *The Fisher Family*, the program ran under that name from 1952-1956. Thereafter, it became *This is the Life* in 1956 and aired in syndication under that title through the 1980s. The series began as a presentation of Lutheran Television Productions by The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and in 1967 began transitioning to the International Lutheran Laymen's League.

Never shirking from difficult or sensitive subject matter, *This is the Life* broached weighty issues for its day: divorce, juvenile delinquency, gambling, racism, anger, guilt, issues of faith, and the search for meaning in our lives, to name a few.

Each episode on this DVD includes comments and backstory about the series from Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Speaker of **The Lutheran Hour**, who also takes time to introduce program features like subject matter, dramatic situ-



ation, and the actors involved. At each episode's close, he offers a wrap-up on how the episode's real-life events portrayed certain Christ-centered principles or other Bible-based teachings, and how they are applicable in our own lives.

Though the program has not been widely available for some time, it still has a following among generations, young and old. "The popularity of the program has continued over the years and it is still shown on several stations around the country," said Jim Arand, associate director of **The Lutheran Hour**. "This collection of *This is the Life Classics* includes nine episodes featuring many notable actors. The original programs were shot on film. To get them ready for release on this DVD they were converted to a digital format. Lutheran Hour Ministries conceived of this as a product to help meet the demand of our current constituents and also give us a 'pilot' series that could gauge the level of

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interest and viability of rebroadcasting the program on one of the many new TV networks," he added.

Viewers may find themselves surprised by the continued *relevance* of these episodes, especially when considering the distance in time from their original airing. This, in fact, speaks volumes, for while the Gospel message they refer to is timeless, sad to say, so are the issues and problems they engage. "Every show has a spiritual message. What's most striking is the topics they tackled when originally aired and how we are still dealing with those same problems. There's a real excitement from those who have been touched by this program, and we are continually amazed by the stories that convey the impact the Gospel message in the show has had through the years," Arand said.

At the end of each episode viewers will note a curious credit: "Additional content produced by the jail ministry of Hollywood Impact Studios" (HIS), [www.hollywoodimpactstudios.com](http://www.hollywoodimpactstudios.com). In 2008 founders Gary and Cyndi Hall launched HIS as a faith-based "outreach" program, which uses TV and filmmaking as a training ground for Hollywood professionals to mentor incarcerated men in the Los Angeles County Jail system. The Halls—and many others in the industry—have been working with prisoners, teaching them film production, editing, screenwriting, and other cinematic skills. The work of Hollywood Impact Studios on the *This is the Life Classics* can be seen in the writing, directing, filming, and editing of the opening and closing footage, featuring Rev. Seltz. ■

Paul Schreiber reports on the impact of LHM's ministry work in the United States.



Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

*This is the Life Classics* DVD  
will be available this fall.



***The First Rosa* Film is now available!**

Watch the 42-minute film detailing the story of Rosa Young, known as the "Mother of Black Lutheranism in Central Alabama." She was instrumental in founding and promoting 30 Lutheran elementary schools and 35 Lutheran congregations in Alabama's "Black Belt." To see this film, visit our website : [tlc-ms.com/news/links.html](http://tlc-ms.com/news/links.html)

### How Do You Build Churches?

Most of us don't work in construction, but we can still help build churches. We do this by investing in Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF). LCEF uses your investment dollars to make low-cost loans to congregations so they can add new facilities to expand ministry and better serve their communities. Our investors benefit from a good return on their dollars plus the knowledge that their money is helping build churches. For more information, contact Steve M. or go on-line to [www.lcef.org](http://www.lcef.org).

### Beaming Light Into a Dark Place

Lutheran Laymen League in the Sacramento area is raising funds for Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) to beam the Gospel into the Middle East by satellite. LHM has been asked to return to Egypt by local pastors and other Christians to share the Gospel in this war torn region of the world. LHM needs nearly \$300,000 to begin this project. LLL is visiting the 24 local Lutheran churches that we are associated with and asking members to help with their gifts. Trinity has opened a fund for our members to make special contributions. By marking your envelopes, "Egypt" or "Sat7", your gifts will be placed in this fund and matched by Trinity's Mission funds up to \$2500.

In the middle of October, our treasurer will close this fund and send the balance to LHM. The funds from all churches will be matched by special contributions from individuals in this area up to \$45,000. LLL is hoping and praying that we can raise a total of \$50,000 or more from all churches. We could contribute \$95,000+ towards this project. Please pray about this project and if you are able, please give generously to help beam light into this dark region of the world.

Steve M

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Our Mission is to serve God  
by outreach to the community  
through the spreading  
of the Gospel of Christ  
by spirit-filled worship,  
education, fellowship and service.

## Announcements

If you have an announcement for the bulletin or the Tidings please give it to Sharon in the office. Bulletin announcements are due by **Wednesday morning**.

The Tidings deadline is the **15th of every month**.

Announcements for the screen may be sent directly to Brian or through the church office email, [tlsecsharon@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tlsecsharon@sbcglobal.net).

## Directory Changes

Please let the church office know if you have moved or have a new phone number or any other changes in your family. Thank you.

## **River City Food Bank**

Is in **GREAT** need of canned fruit, canned vegetables, and pasta. Please bring items and deposit them in the container in Friendship Hall. Always **NEEDS** plastic bags and brown paper bags!

We are also in need of volunteers. Please talk to Dottie if you are interested. Thanks!

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## Lutheran High School's



### 22nd Annual Golf Tournament

**Monday, September 26, 2016**

Morgan Creek Golf Club  
8791 Morgan Creek Lane  
Roseville, CA

Registration: 7:00 a.m.  
Shotgun Start: 8:00 a.m.

Cost:  
\$100 per player

*Entry fee includes green fee & cart,  
putting & hole contests, prizes,  
and Awards & BBQ lunch*

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