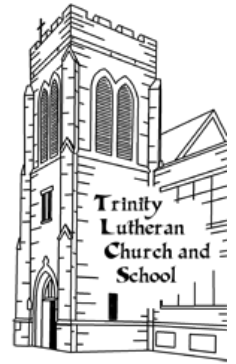


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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL
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Message From Pastor GeRue

Food Drive

Thank You to all who donated to the food drive. We collected 245.4 ft of non-perishable foods.



Angel Tree

This year instead of an Angel Tree for a school wish list, we are asking for gift cards to be donated directly to teachers and staff. There are many in stock and available through Scrip. This is a great way to help out your teacher's classroom or the school through your donation.

Our School Staff includes:

3PS: Mrs. Caitlin Vanden Bloomer

4K: Miss Nina Johnson

5K: Mrs. Heather Andreshak

1st-2nd: Miss Kirsten Johnston

3rd-4th: Mrs. Valerie GeRue

5th-6th: Miss Elizabeth Bahns

7th-8th: Mrs. Rachel Maloney

Aide: Miss Desiree Wittmann

Custodian: Mr. Lee Colby

Cook: Mrs. Anne Dahms

Admin. Assistant: Nathan Dahms

Principal: Rev. Keith GeRue



School Christmas Services

Sign up with Mr. Dahms for any of these services. They will fill up quickly because of limited seating. All of them will be live streamed on the Trinity Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-and-School-137682064805>.

Thur. Dec. 10 6:30PM 3rd and 4th Graders

Mon. Dec. 14 5:30PM K5, 1st – 2nd Graders

Tues. Dec. 15 5:30PM 3 – 4 year olds

Wed. Dec. 16 10:30AM & 6:30PM 5th– 8th Graders

Fast Direct: Is the best way to contact a teacher during the day (www.fastdir.com/tlsm). We check this often and it is generally the easiest way for us to contact the families. Grades can be checked and are updated regularly on Fast Direct. Parents are responsible to take the time to check on the progress of their student. This will be especially important as the 3rd-8th graders are responsible to more than one teacher. Students in 3-8 also have access on their own accounts to check their own grades and message teachers for educational reasons.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 8: Basketball Practice 3:45PM

Dec. 9: School Advent Chapel 10:30AM

Dec. 10: 3rd & 4th Grade Christmas Service 5:30PM

Dec. 11: Electives 2:45PM

Dec 14: K5 & 1st–2nd Grade Christmas Service 5:30PM

Dec 14: Final order deadline for SCRIP, both in person and on-line

Dec 15: 3yr. Old & 4 yr. old Christmas Service 5:30PM

Dec 15: 5th–8th grade Christmas Service 10:30AM 7 6:30PM

Dec 17: Facebook Live Caroling and Noon Dismissal

Dec 18-Jan 1: Christmas Break

Next 2 Weeks Lunch Menu

Dec 7: Cream of Chicken over Rice, Green Beans, Pears, Bread.

Dec 8: Soft Tacos, Mixed Veggies, Fruit Cup.

Dec 9: Grilled Chicken on Bun, Tater Tots, Green Beans, Pears.

Dec 10: Cheese Quesadillas, Hash Browns, Mixed Veggies, Mixed Fruit

Dec 11: Fish Stix, Hashbrowns, Corn, Fruit Cup.

Dec 14: BBQ Pork on Bun, French Fries, Corn, Mandarin Oranges.

Dec 15: Christmas Lunch Ham Dinner, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Fruit Cup, Bread and dessert.

Dec 16: Mini Corn Dogs, Hashbrowns, Mixed Fruit, Mixed Veggies.



Please visit our website by scanning our QR Code



Don't forget to reserve a spot for your child's Christmas Service

School Christmas Services Start Thursday!

This year the school Christmas service will be a bit different, however we are blessed with the opportunity for the students to be here and still share the Christmas messages. Instead of one program, we have broken the school down into 4 separate services as follows:

Thursday Dec 10th, 6:30pm—grades 3/4

Monday Dec 14th, 5:30pm—Grades K5/1st-2nd

Tuesday Dec 15th, 5:30pm—Grades PS3/K4

Wednesday Dec 16th, 10:30am and 6:30pm—Grades 5/6th and 7/8th.

Seating will be limited, for each service, so families will need to contact the school office to reserve their spot. You can contact Mr. Dahms at (920) 886-1083 directly, or through the school office (920) 725-1715 option 1. We will do our best to accommodate everyone, but please reserve your date and please let us know how many people will be attending. Students are already counted at being in attendance, so do not include them in your total number of people attending.

Preventing the Spread of Germs

As we enter the cold and flu season, it's important that we all do our part to reduce the spread of viruses and germs at our churches and schools. All it takes is a little vigilance when it comes to practicing healthy-hygiene habits such as the following:

Sneeze into the crook of your elbow, not into your hands. If you sneeze into your hand, and then don't wash, you'll (on average) transfer germs to about 10 different surfaces.

If you do cough or sneeze into your hands, wash them right away.

Wash your hands after blowing your nose.

Don't lick your fingers before handing out papers. You pass along your germs in your saliva to others who touch that paper.

Wash your hands after using the bathroom.

Wash your hands before and after lunch.

If you experience flu-like symptoms (fever with either cough or sore throat, muscle aches, etc.) stay home.

If your school or church doesn't have a "Fever-Free Policy," the CDC recommends that you stay at home until the fever is gone for at least 24-hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.

You may not be able to totally avoid catching a cold or the flu this season, but you have a much better chance of staying healthy if everyone is practicing proper habits.



School Office Reminders

Please use door #7 after 8:15 for drop off if you are late, and for school and throughout the day for school or Church business.

All tardy students must stop at the office to receive a tardy pass if they are late.

If your child is sick please call the office to let us know before 9am so we can mark them excused.

Parents need to enter through door # 7 at all times and check in at the school office, parents are not permitted in the school hallways past the office area.

Please note that while vendors and visitors are required to sign in at the Church office, parents can proceed to the school office to conduct their business as they have in the past.

Mr. Dahms is in the office Monday through Friday until 3:45pm.



Free Lunch Update

We have received notification that students will continue to receive free lunch through June 30th of 2021. That means students will continue to receive free lunches through the end of the current school year in May of 2021.

The only lunch charges that will continue to accrue are those for extra milks, or cold lunch students who are taking a milk daily.

Please take advantage of this opportunity between now and the end of the school year.

Shirt Orders

There are still some shirt orders that we are waiting for product to arrive for. Hopefully all back orders will be completed and distributed to families before Christmas break. If you are in need of shirts or sweatshirts, you can place an order at any time. Please contact Mr. Dahms if you need to place an order.

Basketball Is Underway

Practices are after school until 5:00 on the designated days. Players can be picked up at door 5 following practice. Later January into February we are planning on setting up some internal games. We will be splitting our players up and inviting parents to come watch. Trinity's Athletic Code will be enforced when it comes to grades, homework and conduct.



In addition to this will again be offering instructional basketball in January after Christmas break. This will be offered to 1-2nd grade students, and those in 3-4th grade who haven't played before and would like to learn the basic skills this year.

Believe it or not, today is the midterm of the 2nd quarter already. Midterm grades will be posted next Friday December 11th in Fast Direct. Please make sure your child has turned in all of their assignments, or has completed any missing work.

Scrip Notes

The holidays are fast approaching, so now is the time to stock up on SCRIP. Scrip cards make a great gift, and that is one less trip to the store to buy gifts this year! Currently Kwik Trip is offering a 10% rebate on their cards along with Tom's Drive Inn which has multiple locations in the valley. The last date for ordering not-in-stock Scrip is Dec. 14th. If you are ordering on line, it's recommended to get those orders in by that date to ensure they arrive in time for the holidays.

**SCRIP is sold in the Church and School Office:
Monday - Friday from 8:00am-3:30pm**



Contact Us

**We will try to keep you informed and up to date, let us know if you have any questions!
In Christ's Service and Yours**

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Chapel:

Chapel meets on Wednesdays during Advent, we will adjust our schedules so we are able to attend Trinity's 10:30am worship service. Students will sit in their class groups socially distanced from other classes. The theme this year is "Sent to Serve." Parents are always invited to join us for chapel.

"A huge "Thank You!" to our Day School families for your generous support of the November Food Drive for the Trinity Food Pantry. You have truly benefitted those in need in our Fox Cities. Our Lord's richest blessings to you in this Christmas Season! – Trinity Food Pantry Coordinators"

Teaching the Faith Bible Study- with Pastor GeRue. We meet Sundays from 10:30–11:30 AM in the meeting room. The study is open to all. It is a review of the Lutheran Christian Faith and serves as an Adult Information / Confirmation Class. Please join us!



This winter please prayerfully consider helping us remove snow from the sidewalks & entryways of the Church & School on a rotating basis. Snow blower & shovels are provided.



Please contact the school office and let us know if you are able to assist.

Thank you for helping us keep Trinity's entryways & sidewalks safe for all.

Medications and Health Notes

As we all know there is an increased risk of spreading germs these days. Please continue to use proper handwashing techniques at home and school. Children must be fever free for 24 hours before coming to school after they have been sick. If your child needs medication, you must fill out a consent form in the office for us to administer medicine to your child. We do not keep any medicine on hand, including cough drops, as we need parental consent to issue all medications and cough drops. Please pick up a cough drop consent form at the school office if you would like your child to receive them during the school day. We cannot administer them without consent.



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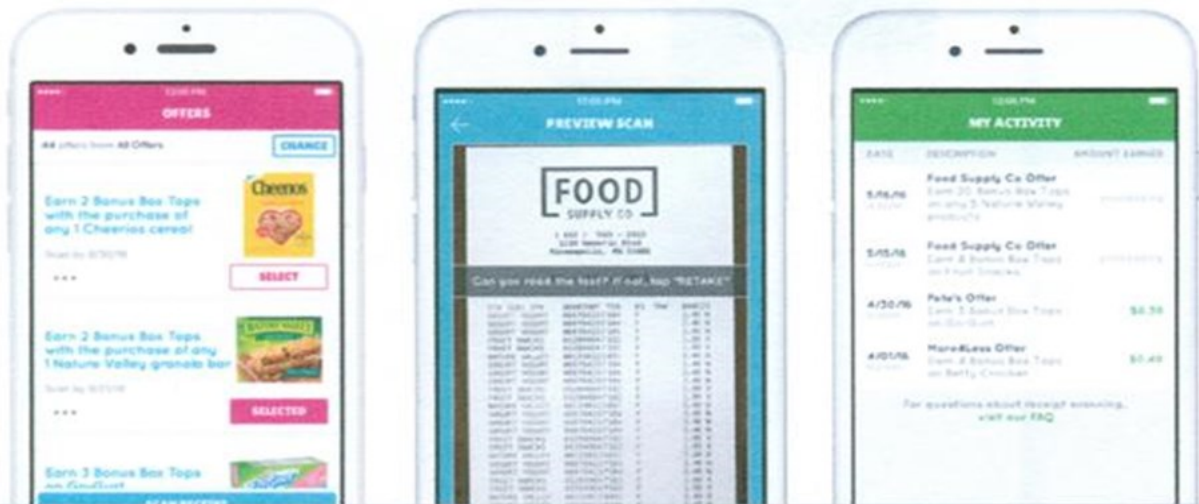
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