

# TIGER TRACKS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL  
MENASHA



## Message From Pastor GeRue

**Welcome Back!** A warm welcome back for the 2021-2022 year of the Trinity Lutheran School Tiger Tracks! Keep an eye on the Tracks for upcoming information on dates and events

**First day of school** is Monday, Aug. 30 for 3rd-8th Graders. School hours are 8:15 am - 3:30 pm.

Doors open at 8:00 am for students to enter

**First day of school** is Wednesday, Sept. 1 for PS3—2nd Graders. School hours are 8:15 am - 3:30 pm.

**Before and Aftercare: Please enter and pick up your students at door #3.** Beforecare opens at 7:00 am. Pickup for aftercare is anytime before 5:30 pm

### Student Arrival and Dismissal

**PS3—K4:** Please come to door #3 (near PS3 /K4 grade room).

**K5—2nd Grade:** Please come to door #2 (near 1st/2nd grade room).

**3rd—8th Grade:** Please come to door #5 (near 7/8th grade room).

**End of the Day:** When you arrive at the end of the day to pick up your children, please come to the same doors and please do not come into the building, wait outside for your child to return to you.

### School Safety Measures:

1. We will again this year each evening run UVC Lights in each classroom.
2. Mr. Colby will disinfect all rooms in the building each day.
3. Hand sanitizer is located and will be used throughout the building.
4. Your child must be fever, vomiting, and diarrhea free for 24 HOURS BEFORE they may return to school.
5. A doctor's note should be presented to the school office if the child has been absent more than three days due to illness.
6. All medications, prescriptions and over-the-counter, are dispensed only through the school office with appropriate documentation and permission.

FRIDAY AUGUST 20, 2021

## Important Calendar Dates

### Upcoming Events

Monday, Aug. 23	1 pm	Volleyball Practice
Tuesday, Aug. 24	1 pm	Volleyball Practice
Wednesday, Aug. 25	1 pm	Volleyball Practice
Thursday, Aug. 26	1 pm	Volleyball Practice
Monday, Aug. 30		3rd-8th Graders 1st day of School
Tuesday, Aug. 31	3:45 pm	Volleyball Practice
Wednesday, Sept. 1		PS3—2nd Graders 1st Day of School
Wednesday, Sept. 1	8:45 am	Opening Chapel
Thursday, Sept. 2		NO Volleyball Practice
Friday, Sept. 3		NO SCHOOL
Monday, Sept. 6:		NO SCHOOL Labor Day
Tuesday, Sept. 7	3:45 pm	Volleyball Practice
Wednesday, Sept. 8	8:45 am	School Chapel
Thursday, Sept. 9	4:30 pm	Volleyball Celebration @ Home
Tuesday, Sept. 14	4:45 pm	Volleyball @ Saint John, Berlin
Wednesday, Sept. 15	8:45 am	School Chapel
Thursday, Sept. 16	4:30 pm	Volleyball @ New Hope, Neenah
Tuesday, Sept. 21	4:30 pm	Volleyball Trinity, Oshkosh @ Home
Wednesday, Sept. 22	8:45 am	School Chapel
Thursday, Sept. 23	4:30 pm	Volleyball Valley Home School @ Home
Tuesday, Sept. 28	3:45 pm	Volleyball Practice
Wednesday, Sept. 29	8:45 am	School Chapel
Thursday, Sept. 30	3:45 pm	Volleyball Practice
* On Wednesday, Sept. 15 at 9:30 am we will conduct Dental and hearing screenings.		
* MAP Testing September 20 - 24		

## Next 2 Weeks Lunch Menu

WATCH FOR THE HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE  
it will be posted soon.

Please visit our website  
by scanning our QR Code



## MISSION STATEMENT

Trinity Lutheran School assists parents, in the education of their children for this life and for eternity, emphasizing academic excellence, personal Christian growth, and service to God and community.

## SCHOOL HOURS

School hours are from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Students admitted into the building before 8:00 a.m. are in Before Care. Upon dismissal at the end of the school day, students who are to attend After Care must go directly from the classroom to After Care and check in. Students are to be out of the building by 3:45 p.m., unless they are involved in an extracurricular supervised activity. Exceptions may be granted by contacting the Principal.

Faculty will have devotions at 7:40 – 8:00 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays.

## CHAPEL

Chapel meets on Wednesdays from 8:45-9:15. During Ad-vent and Lent, we will adjust our schedules so we are able to attend Trinity's 10:30am worship service. Students will sit in their Chapel Families. The theme this year is "In All Things" Colossians 1:15-20. Parents are always invited to join us for chapel.

## Lockers

Lockers are a privilege for children to use. All lockers are to be kept neat and organized. No food or drink should ever be put in the locker. Cold lunches go above the coat hooks, snacks stay in the backpack until snack time. Your child will also have a large binder with all their learning materials included. This binder should be brought to each class. We will emphasize organization this year so the children can learn to be independent and responsible learners. It is important that all needed materials be available for each class. Though the students will have lockers, they will not be permitted to leave class to retrieve forgotten items. In the morning students will bring all items needed for morning classes into the classroom. During the recess/lunch break, all morning materials will be returned to lockers and after-noon materials will then be brought into the classroom.

## Fast Direct:

This is the best way to contact a teacher during the day ([www.fastdir.com/tlsm](http://www.fastdir.com/tlsm)). We check this often and it is generally the easiest way for us to contact the families. New families will be given login information the first week of school. 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.

Bulletin boards on Fast Direct will be updated regularly as well with upcoming news for your child's classroom. Please check Fast Direct for these updates.

## SCHOOL WORK AND ASSIGNMENTS

Students may have homework, increasing as the grade level increases. When a child consistently brings home large amounts of work, parents should arrange to discuss this with the teacher(s).

Children are expected to prepare their work neatly and accurately and to submit assignments on time.

Student planners should be checked and initialed daily.

## TELEPHONING

Teachers and students will not be called to the telephone during school hours unless there is an emergency. You may leave a message with the school administrative assistant who will promptly relay it to the proper person.

Students may use the office telephone only in the case of an emergency and with the written permission of his/her teacher. Students may not use cell phones on school property.

### A few 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.

If you need to take your child to an appointment please come to the office and we will bring them there to meet you.

There is still time to order uniform shirts, so if you need any, just stop by the office to pick up the order form.

### CHECK YOUR FAST DIRECT

I hope everyone has had a chance to log into their Fast Direct account by now. If you are experiencing any issues, please see Mr. Dahms so we can get them resolved. Finance information will be up to date soon, so please log in to review your account and complete the necessary payments.

## GRADING SCALE

A+ 98 -100	C+ 77 - 79	E - Excellent
A 93 - 97	C 73 - 76	G - Good
A- 90 - 92	C- 70 - 72	S - Satisfactory/ Showing Growth
B+ 87 - 89	D+ 67 - 69	P - Progressing
B 83 - 86	D 63 - 66	N - Needs Improvement/ Needs More Time
B- 80 - 82	D- 60 - 62	
F 0 - 59		

**HONOR ROLL:** Students in grades 5-8 are recognized for earning excellent grades. Those that qualify may be selected for either the High Honor Roll, maintaining a GPA of 3.8 or higher, or Honorable Role, maintaining a 3.5 GPA or higher, in all graded subjects. To be eligible for the High Honor Roll or Honorable Roll an E or S is required in Conduct and in any subject not given a letter grade. Recognition for the qualifying students will take place at the end of each semester.



**SCRIP is sold in the  
Church and School  
Office  
Monday—Friday  
from 8:00AM-3:00PM.**

# faculty

## **Our 2020-2021 staff is:**

3PS: Mrs. Caitlin Vanden Bloomer

4K: Pastor / Mrs. A. / Miss Caitlin

5K: Mrs. Heather Andreshak

1st-2nd: Miss Kirsten Johnston

3rd-4th: Mrs. Valerie GeRue

5th-6th: Miss Elizabeth Bahrns

7th-8th: Mrs. Rachel Maloney

Aides: Miss Desiree Wittmann

Mrs. Margaret Corrente

Mrs. Anne Dahms

Art: Juliet Colby

Custodian: Mr. Lee Colby

Cook: Mrs. Anne Dahms

IT: Mr. Martin Schrampfer Admin.

Assistant: Nathan Dahms

Principal: Rev. Keith GeRue

Senior Pastor: Rev. Steven Billings

**We will try to keep you informed and up to date.**

**In Christ's Service and Yours,  
Rev. Keith E. GeRue**

**If you have any questions or need anything please call me at 920-886-1077**

## **SAVE ON YOUR TUITION**

There are several ways you can save on your tuition.

First, please take advantage of our Scrip program, this is the greatest tool for tuition reduction. Scrip is available all day through the Church and School office, and we are making it available by the School library before school each day as well. For your purchases you can earn 75% of the scrip profit back to reduce your tuition. If you have a testimonial on how it's benefited you, please email Mr. Dahms, as we want to share as many positive stories as we can.

You can also earn tuition credit by referring families to Trinity. Please pass the word to friends, neighbors and anyone else you may know. You can earn a free month of tuition for each family that enrolls.



## **TRINITY VOLUNTEER SERVICE**

As an independent Lutheran School, TLS needs the active participation of parents, families, and friends to share in our responsibility of providing the highest quality of Christian and academic education to our students. Parent involvement is an integral part of the functioning of TLS.

Without it, the school would lose its sense of community and tuition would increase drastically. To be the best TLS can be, **WE NEED YOU!** Families receiving financial assistance for tuition must complete 20 hours of service per semester in some area of Trinity Lutheran Church or School Ministry to keep their financial assistance for the school year for their child(ren). A minimum of 40 hours must be completed by the family during the school year.

Volunteering is an excellent way to get to know the school, other parents, and your child's teacher. Opportunities for volunteering are numerous and varied. Among the ways you can help are participating in regularly scheduled schoolwork days, helping teachers in the classrooms, clerical help, concession stand worker, scoreboard worker, and any of the other tasks mentioned in the Tiger Tracks, or communicated through phone calls from room parents. This is a partial list of volunteer positions: PTLs officer, room parent, Church Nursery, Sunday School teacher, library worker, worker for major fundraising activity, book fair worker, SCRIP sales, coach, and field trip drivers.

For the safety of our students, all those who volunteer to work with a child will be subject to a background check.