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# THE KINGSMAN

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## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SCHOOL & ECC

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2009-2010 Theme: “Christ is our Cornerstone” Ephesians 2:20, 21

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January 29, 2010

### PARTNERS IN PARENTING: “Passing Inspection”

From Julian Petzold, Principal

Have you ever had to have an inspection by someone who would determine if you passed or failed, “cut the mustard” based upon criteria, or had what it takes? Well, parents are being inspected at all times – by their children. Our children know our strengths and weaknesses as well as anyone. They usually don’t mean to be picky and evaluative; they merely have an amazing awareness of their parents. When it comes to my children, I wonder if I would pass inspection if they looked for qualities of Christian witness in how I live. Paul wrote to the Corinthians telling them to evaluate themselves to determine how well they were living out their faith as witnesses to Jesus Christ. Are you passing that inspection at home? This kind of self-examination is a good process to do every day, because witnessing to your children is critical as a parent. Are they convinced that you are a Christian in how you work, talk, play, love, and serve others? Examine yourself each day knowing that you are not perfect in the task, but that you are forgiven for every time you fall short. Your children need to know you are a Christian if you say you are. That’s passing a great inspection.

*“Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you...?” II Corinthians 13:5*

#### Family Discussion Points

Share a time when you were evaluated or inspected.

Inspect each child’s room after dinner – give each a grade.

Kids – Inspect your parent’s room after dinner – give them a grade.

Share ways to witness to others that Christ Jesus is in you.

Know that you are forgiven for any time you haven’t been a good witness to your children. Then continue to do your best, trusting that God will bless your efforts.

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### SCHOOL NEWS

*School information to help you stay up-to-date*

#### Coffee with the Principal

The agenda from our January 28 Coffee is attached.

#### Kindergarten Information Night

Learn more about enrolling your child in Kindergarten for the 2010-11 school year! On Tuesday, February 9, from 7 to 8:15 p.m. in the gym, we will offer a presentation for all parents with plenty of time for questions and dialog. Please plan to come without children if at all possible. It should be a very exciting meeting as we plan for the coming year! Childcare will be available. See you there.

#### Middle School Information Night

Tuesday, February 16, is our Middle School Information Night. All families are welcome to join us at 7 p.m. on the upper level of the school to learn more about our middle school program. Current as well as prospective families would benefit from attending this informative session. Just come upstairs and we’ll be there to greet you! Parents and students are welcome to attend this

meeting so that all questions can be answered. The meeting should be completed by 8:30 p.m.

#### Report cards and parent-teacher conferences

The second quarter ended on Friday, January 22, and report cards will come home today. Parent-teacher conferences will be held in the evenings on February 3 and 4. Watch for more information from your child’s teacher.

#### Reenrollment time is almost here

Reenrollment information will be coming home soon. All families with children currently enrolled will have from March 1 until March 31 to reenroll for next year. Watch for the mailing to come home before the end of February.

#### Free dental care available

Children ages 15 and younger can receive free dental care on Friday, February 5, between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., if they are not currently receiving dental care. This is provided through Lakeland Dental Society at C.A.R.E. Dentistry on Napier Ave. Call Dianna at 269-

925-2113, if you have any questions or would like to sign up!

### **SCRIP – Your help is needed**

The SCRIP program decreases your tuition for the following year AND it provides some money to our Tuition Assistance Fund for families in need. In an attempt to increase involvement and support for the SCRIP program, we will be asking parents from certain grades to sell each Friday from 3 to 4 p.m. We will provide a “veteran” seller to teach new parents the process. Please volunteer to help sell by stopping by or calling the office (983-3056). Here is the schedule for February through May:

Feb.: 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades      April: 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades  
Mar.: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades      May: 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades

### **Winter family retreat**

March 6 and 7 will be Camp Lutherhaven’s Winter Family Retreat with the theme: *Picture This!* We have sign-up material in the office, and you can learn more about this great opportunity by calling 260-636-7101, or visiting [www.lutherhaven.org](http://www.lutherhaven.org).

### **REMINDER**

#### **Tuition payments**

Please remember that all tuition and fees are due by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month (January 10 for current tuition). On the 21<sup>st</sup> of the month, a late fee of \$20 is applied to your account. If there is a balance remaining on the last day of the month, our procedure is to have that be the last day of attendance until the balance is paid in full. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Petzold at the school office (269-983-3056 x101).

#### **TRINITY SPIRIT**

*Opportunities to show your Kingsman Spirit by supporting our students*

#### **Second quarter Honor Roll awards**

Students in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade who earned the right to be on second quarter Honor Roll will be recognized after chapel on Wednesday, February 3. Chapel begins at 8:05 a.m. in the church. We hope to see you there!

#### **First archery tournament at Trinity**

The 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders have been learning archery as part of PE classes recently. The 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be competing in the next few weeks to qualify for the school’s first Archery Tournament Finals. The finals will be held on Thursday, February 11, at 2 p.m. in the gym. The poms squad will perform their routine at the conclusion of the tournament for the student body to enjoy. All parents, grandparents, families and friends are welcome to attend.

*Please see “Church News” for opportunities to support the church’s Senior High youth*

#### **Calendar:**

Feb. 3-4 Parent-teacher conferences  
Feb. 4-5 Pre-school parent-teacher conferences  
Feb. 9 Kindergarten Information Night, 7 p.m.  
Feb. 11 Archery tournament, 2 p.m., gym  
Feb. 14 Parents’ night out, 4 p.m.  
Feb. 15 SCHOOL CLOSED  
Feb. 16 Middle School Information Night, 7 p.m.

#### **Lunch Menu for the week of February 1:**

Mon: Pizza, corn, peaches, cookie, milk  
Tues: Chicken chop suey, rice, egg roll, green beans, mandarin oranges, milk  
Wed: Sub sandwiches, chips, baby carrots, grapes, milk  
Thurs: Soft tacos, corn, pineapple, ice cream, milk  
Fri: Shrimp poppers, fries, peas, pears, brownie, milk

*Check the lunch menu any time at the school’s Web site:  
[www.DiscoverTrinity.org/school.html](http://www.DiscoverTrinity.org/school.html)*

#### **SPORTS CORNER**

##### **Reported scores, week of January 25:**

Jan. 25: 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> girls’ basketball vs. Trinity, BS – loss (19-15)  
Jan. 27: 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> girls’ basketball vs. Trinity, Paw Paw – loss (41-16)

##### **Upcoming games:**

###### **February 1:**

4 p.m.: 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> girls’ basketball vs. Christ (Home)  
5 p.m.: 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> girls’ basketball vs. Christ (Home)  
6 p.m.: 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> girls’ basketball vs. Christ (Home)

###### **February 3:**

7:30 p.m.: 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> boys’ basketball vs. ML (Away, at Grace)

###### **February 4:**

4 p.m.: 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> girls’ basketball vs. St. Paul (Away)  
5 p.m.: 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> girls’ basketball vs. St. Paul (Away)

*Please see the attached updated sports schedule for the winter season’s upcoming games*

## **CHURCH NEWS**

*Worship information and upcoming church activities*

### **Please join us for Worship**

Sundays 8:00 a.m. Service  
9:15 a.m. Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Service

Mondays 6:30 p.m. Contemporary Service

### **Adult instruction class**

The class meets on Tuesday nights from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Roth leads attendees in the primary Biblical teachings and Lutheran doctrine. The class leads to membership at Trinity Lutheran Church, but it is also good for anyone desiring to learn more through God's Word. Call the church office at 983-5000, to sign up.

### **Parents' night out**

Celebrate Valentine's Day while you support Trinity's youth program! On Sunday, February 14, Trinity's youth program will hold a "parent's night out" from 4 to 10 p.m. in the lower level of the school. The High School youth will watch, feed, and entertain your kids while you go shopping, to a movie or spend time with your significant other. A \$20 donation is recommended to raise money for the youth to attend the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA. Please contact Josh Wold at the church office (983-5000) with questions.

### **First aid instruction offered**

Trinity's Parish Nurse, Sherri Weiss, will visit the Mom's group on Wednesday, February 3, and Wednesday, February 17, to give first aid instructions. Both sessions will be held at the Ministry Center from 9 to 10:50 a.m. Everyone who is interested is invited to attend. Pre-register at the church office, or by calling 983-5000. If you have question, please contact Ingrid Wiskow at 429-6383, or Debby Miskill at the church office, 983-5000.

### **Trinity youth concert fundraiser**

On February 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., join Trinity Senior High youth in the gym for a spaghetti lunch and concert to raise funds for the youth program. Trinity's Youth Praise Band will perform! Tickets are available in the school and church offices for \$8 for those aged 12 and older, and \$4 those who are 11 and younger. Please come and help raise money for the youth to continue to do AWESOME things! Contact Josh Wold at the church office (983-5000) with questions.