
THE KINGSMAN



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SCHOOL & ECC

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

March 19, 2010

PARTNERS IN PARENTING: “Be Back Soon”

From Julian Petzold, Principal

I remember my mom saying, “Be back soon!” as she hit the door on the way to the grocery store, handbell practice, choir rehearsal, card night, a siblings athletic event, etc. My mom always was and still is a very busy person. “Soon” became a very relevant term in my childhood. Her time away was sometimes short, sometimes long. “Soon” became a length of time that could not be judged. I’ve found that to be rather true in my life as a parent. I go to a meeting expecting to be home by a certain time, but it doesn’t happen. I hope to come home from work by supertime, but I don’t make it. It is frustrating to not be able to more definite. As a parent, I continue to work hard at being more specific. Like this, “I hope to be home by 7:30pm. That is my goal. I hope it is possible.” My intention and what is possible don’t always match, but it let’s my kids know that I am placing them as a priority to the extent that I have control. I don’t want “soon” to continually become “too late” in their lives. Time is not relative. It is finite!

Family Discussion Points

Talk about time commitments and over-commitments as a family.

Share a day and time for a family “date” and stick to it. Your date might be a walk or trip to get ice cream.

Ask each other to be more specific with times whenever possible.

SCHOOL NEWS

School information to help you stay up-to-date

Parents coming for lunch

I want parents to know that you are certainly welcome here anytime, including lunch. We love having you here. If you are coming for lunch, we need a call ahead of time so that we have enough food for all the students. Just call ahead so we can be as accurate as possible with our preparation. Thanks.

Lego Contest

We will share the winners of our Lego contest at chapel on Wednesday. I am proud of those who participated in the voluntary contest.

Roger’s receipts due March 31

Wednesday, March 31, is the last day to turn in Roger’s Foodland receipts for Roger’s Apples for the Students program. Parents, families and friends can help Trinity earn point toward items for our school by obtaining register receipts dated September 1, 2009 through March 30, 2010. The receipts may be dropped in the drop box by the Church Fellowship Hall or brought to the school office by Wednesday, March 31.

Tuition assistance applications

Tuition assistance applications will be available after April 1 through the school office. Please be prepared to share a copy of your 2009 tax statement with Mr. Petzold when applying.

Prayer Group Participation

A prayer group has been formed to meet on Tuesday evenings at 5:00pm in the church. Anyone interested in being fervent in prayer for Trinity Lutheran Church, School, and ECC is welcome to come to the first meeting on March 23rd. The focus of prayers will be pertaining to the budget process that is underway for the 2010-11 budget. Everyone is welcome.

Reenroll NOW for the 2010-2011 school year

Reenrollment information has been mailed to you. All families with children currently enrolled have until April 1 to reenroll for the 2010-2011 school year.

K-5 choir performance schedule change

Please be aware that the K-5 grade choir is NOT singing on Palm Sunday, March 28, due to a visiting high school choir.

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 March through May: Mar.: 2nd and 7th grades
April: 3rd and 6th grades May: 4th and 5th grades

Calendar:

- Apr. 1 End of third quarter grading period
 Apr. 2 NO SCHOOL – Good Friday (CC, PS-8)
 Apr. 5-9 NO SCHOOL – Spring Break (PS-8;
 CC open)
 Apr. 23 NO SCHOOL (K-8) Fine Arts Festival
 throughout K-8 classrooms
 PS and CC will remain open

Lunch Menu for the week of March 22:

- Mon: Pizza, corn, peaches, cookie, milk
 Tues: Steak and cheese sandwiches, fries, broccoli
 w/dip, pears, milk
 Wed: Cheeseburger, chips, baby carrots, grapes,
 cookie, milk
 Thurs: Nachos, corn, pineapple, ice cream, milk
 Fri: Shrimp poppers, fries, peas, mandarin oranges,
 milk

*Check the lunch menu any time at the school's Web site:
www.DiscoverTrinity.org/school.html*

PS: Pre-school; CC: Child care

Hosts needed for visiting choir members

On Saturday, March 27, Trinity Lutheran High School Northwest Choir, from Rochester Hills, Mich., will offer a concert at 7 p.m. Volunteers are needed to provide a meal prior to the concert. We also need 20 to 25 host families to house choir members on Saturday night, provide them breakfast and return to them to church prior to the early Palm Sunday service. Please call the church office (269-983-5000) if you can help in any way.

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
 Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. Mid-week Lenten Service

- Midweek Lenten, March 24th 6:30pm Worship**
Palm Sunday, March 28th 8 & 10:30am Worship
Maundy Thursday, April 1st 6:30pm Worship
Good Friday, April 2nd Noon—Crosswalk
6:30pm Worship
Easter, April 4th 6:30, 8 & 10:30am
Worship services
Easter Breakfast 7:30-10 am