
THE KINGSMAN



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SCHOOL & ECC

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

April 30, 2010

PARTNERS IN PARENTING: “What Do You Do When You Get Angry?”

From Julian Petzold, Principal

I had a remarkable experience this week with one of our students. The student had made a comment to another student that was not friendly, positive, uplifting, etc. (you get the point). Privately, I asked why the comment was made to hurt another student. The response left me speechless. Here it is: “I sometimes say mean things when I feel really angry inside about my parents getting a divorce. I know it is wrong, and I shouldn’t do it. It just happened, and I’m so sorry.” Wow!

The divorce wasn’t recent, but it is still painful. That is true for any situation involving divorce, death, confusion, separation, sinful behavior, etc. The event may be old, but the hurt can linger for some time – or even the rest of their lives. My heart and mind had a change in perspective toward this student, but I also remembered that the same is true of everyone else I know. I had a chance to talk to this student about how to handle that anger in a more God-pleasing manner in the future. The world says, “Hurt someone like you hurt.” God says, “Love as I have loved you.” I pray that hearts and minds will be transformed to more like God desires as the Holy Spirit strengthens us for Godly living. “*Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.*” Romans 12:2a

Family Discussion Points

Discuss how each family member deals with anger. It’s OK to laugh at the little behaviors people do to let everyone know they are angry – most are rather funny (grunts, expressions, sounds, etc.).

Talk about why angry behaviors hurt others so much.

Discuss what you can do when you are angry to stop being angry (make prayer one of the answers).

SCHOOL NEWS

School information to help you stay up-to-date

Balances due

Remaining 2010-2011 **enrollment fee** balances are due no later than May 3. Please call Jessica Maynard in the school office if you are unsure of your balance.

Hot lunch balances should be monitored closely through Fast Direct as we come to the end of the year. We do NOT give your money back at the end of the year – we simply carry that balance into the next school year!

The final **tuition payment** for the 2009-10 school year is due by May 10. Remember, there is no tuition payment in June – enjoy that money for your summer vacation!

SCRIP cutoff for 2010-11 tuition credit

The last day to purchase SCRIP and have your 2010-11 tuition credited will be Friday, May 28. Any SCRIP purchased after May 28 will go toward your 2011-12 tuition. Many of you have saved several hundreds of dollars using this program. Keep it up, and encourage others to join in the tuition savings!

2010-11 Tuition PAID-IN-FULL DATES

Anyone who pays their entire family tuition account in full for the 2010-11 school year by the end of the day on Tuesday, June 1, will receive a reduction of \$35 for Preschool tuition and \$150 for K-8 tuition per family.

Anyone who has utilized SCRIP in the past year and has a credit to apply to their tuition will have until the end of the day on Tuesday, June 15 to make their family tuition payment in full.

Take advantage of these discounts by paying next school year’s tuition in full now!

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 are 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). The sales support schedule for May is 4th and 5th grades.

Tuition assistance applications

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

Bereavement camp

Lori's Place is having a one-day bereavement camp at Fernwood on Wednesday, July 14. It sounds like a wonderful experience for anyone who has experienced the death of a family member, friend, or someone special. It is open to anyone to attend. We have information in the church and school offices. Just call (269-983-3056) or stop in to get the information.

Barbott's plant sale fundraiser

Students received an information and sales packet on April 28 for the annual plant sale, which runs through May 17. Proceeds from this year's sales will go toward getting a new computer for every teacher, allowing them to integrate Smart Boards and other educational software into their daily instruction. If 100 percent of the students in K-8 sell at least just one plant, Mr. Petzold will spend one night up on the roof of the school in May. The top seller from the student body will be able to have their parent spend the night up there with him OR have Mrs. Petzold stay up on the roof in their place. Thank you for supporting our efforts!

Plant sale volunteers needed

We need lots of volunteers to help run the plant sale. Please contact Kirstin Meier at 269-369-0869, if you can help with publicity, ordering, filling orders, data entry, or record keeping.

Custard for a cause

On Thursday, May 13 from 5 to 8 p.m., mention Trinity Lutheran School at Culver's of Stevensville (4537 Red Arrow Hwy). 10 percent of total purchases will be given back to Trinity! During that time, we will need 4 to 5 volunteers – school-age kids or adults – to help serve the orders and wipe off tables. If you are willing to help for an hour or the whole time, please let Mrs. Maynard know in the school office. Thank you for supporting our School and Early Childhood Center!

Mother/Daughter Tea

You are invited to attend a Mother/Daughter Tea on Sunday, May 16, from 1 to 3 p.m., at the Trinity Lighthouse Cafe. Please join us for a light luncheon, entertainment and the laughter and love of mothers, daughters, aunts, nieces, grandmothers, and girlfriends. All are welcome! Reservations are required. Please contact the school, church or ECC offices for more information.

TRINITY SPIRIT

Opportunities to show your Kingsman Spirit by supporting our students

Track and Field Day, May 11

Parents of 5-8 graders, don't forget about this fun day! Be certain your child attends at least two of the practice sessions. Information is in your classroom newsletter.

Yearbook pictures needed

If you have any good-quality pictures from this school year's events, please send them to Roger Meier as soon as possible for consideration for this year's yearbook. Please limit your submissions to a maximum of 5 pictures. You may e-mail submissions to Mr. Meier at roger.meier@discovertrinity.org.

Calendar:

May 2	Confirmation, 10:30 a.m. service 5-7 grade choir performs, 10:30 a.m. service
May 11	Track and Field Day
May 16	Mother/Daughter Tea, 1 to 3 p.m.
May 20	Band/choir rehearsal, 10 a.m. Band/choir concert, 7 p.m.
May 23	Beginning band performs, 10:30 a.m. service Jubilate performs, 10:30 a.m. service
May 28	ECC picnic
May 31	NO SCHOOL, PS or CC – Memorial Day
Jun. 3	Graduation, 7 p.m., sanctuary
Jun. 4	Last day of school, 11:15 a.m. dismissal

Lunch Menu for the week of May 3:

Mon:	Chicken tenders, fries, green beans, peaches, cookie, milk
Tues:	Soft tacos, corn, mandarin oranges, ice cream, milk
Wed:	Cheese pizza, baby carrots and celery w/dip, peaches and pears, cookie, milk
Thurs:	Spaghetti and meat balls, green beans, pineapple, garlic bread, milk
Fri:	Cheeseburger, chips, carrots w/dip, grapes, cookie, milk

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

PS: Pre-school; CC: Child care

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

Prayer group participation

A prayer group meets every Tuesday evening at 5 p.m. in the church to pray about to the budget process that is underway for 2010-11. Anyone interested in being fervent in prayer for Trinity Lutheran Church, School, and ECC is welcome to come.

Mom's group diaper drive

The Trinity mom's group will be participating in a statewide diaper drive sponsored by Lutherans For Life. Collection dates will be from May 9 (Mother's Day) to June 20 (Father's Day). There will be collection boxes at The Ministry Center and at the school's alley entrance. All diapers collected will be donated to Polly's Place, a home in Niles for "at risk" women with minor children.

Planet Zoom – Vacation Bible School

At Planet Zoom, children learn how little is big – just like each little bee has a job to do to help build up the hive, Planet Zoom teaches kids that because Jesus died and rose again for them, they can play a big role in God's kingdom by sharing His love. Come to Planet Zoom, the coolest place to hang out this summer.



What: Vacation Bible School!
Where: Trinity Lutheran Church
Dates: June 21 through 24
When: 9 a.m. to noon

Kids ages 3 years old through fifth grade may plan to join us for crafts, snacks, music, games, Bible stories and more! Registration forms will be available soon. Watch the Kingsman for more information.

Volunteers needed for Vacation Bible School

We are in need of many volunteers to help us with the exciting week of VBS. Please call the church office at (269) 983-5000, or Amy Roth at (269) 556-9622, to volunteer.

JOB OPENING

Open position at Trinity Lutheran Church and School

ECC teacher position available

Trinity has an opening for an Early Childhood Center (ECC) Teacher. The interviews will begin the week of May 3.

Position: Early Childhood Center Teacher

Supervisor: Principal and ECC Director

Applicants must have:

- A strong love for the Lord
- Ability to support the mission and work of Trinity Lutheran Church, School, and ECC
- Adequate credentials to be a lead teacher by the State of Michigan Child Care Licensing Rules–certified teacher with ZA endorsement preferred
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- A desire to work with people (staff, children, and parents)
- A strong understanding of child development
- A love for children
- Initiative in completing tasks
- Strong organizational skills
- Ability to lead other staff members

It is preferred that applicants have

- Experience in Early Childhood Education
- A teaching degree or Child Development Associates (CDA) degree
- Be synodically trained or work to become synodically trained by the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod
- Proficient computer skills.

Contact Julian Petzold, Principal, or Linda DeLapa, ECC Director for the full position description. This position will be filled as soon as possible, so applicants should apply quickly with a cover letter and resume at the address below.

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