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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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May 7, 2010

### PARTNERS IN PARENTING: “Parents: Be a Preacher”

From Julian Petzold, Principal

I was reading in 2 Timothy the other morning, and I thought to myself: Parents need to be preachers. You might wonder how I arrived at that thought, so let me explain. Paul is telling Timothy to “Preach the Word” to those around him. He wants Timothy to share the truth of scripture to those who need to hear it. That is true for every Christian. We should be sharing the Word with others at every opportunity. We have so many opportunities to do that in our homes with family members, and I pray that each parent will embrace the chance to read Scripture and talk about its truth with his or her children. It is so important to do that with **“great patience and careful instruction.”** In other words, be patient with your children when they don’t seem to be learning what you are teaching them, and continue to diligently teach them the truth of His Word. Don’t give up on this task, and I highly recommend also going to church together as a family. Parents can “preach” of God’s love during the week, and Pastor can preach of God’s love at church. It is a good combination. *“Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke, and encourage – with great patience and careful instruction.”* 2 Timothy 4:2

#### Family Discussion Points

Talk about your child’s memory verse with them (if they have memory assignments). Make sure they understand its meaning – not just the words.

Plan for a time to read a chapter of the Bible together one night each week (or more).

Talk about Pastor’s sermon on your way home from church every week so it carries beyond the walls of the church.

Maybe go shopping for a family devotion book – there are plenty to choose from.

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### SCHOOL NEWS

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

#### Balances due

**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 – 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 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades.

#### 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.

#### 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.

### **Water shut off**

On Tuesday, May 11 at 2 p.m., the water in the school will be shut off for approximately one hour so that the water meter can be changed. We will have some extra water on hand for students so that we will always have the ability to use restrooms and provide drinking water. We just wanted our families to be aware of this short inconvenience.

### **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! Volunteers are also needed to help serve the orders and wipe off tables. Please contact Mrs. Maynard in the school office if you can help. 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.

### **Sports banquet honors Trinity athletes**

Did your student participate in Trinity sports this school year? Grades 3-8 students and their families are invited to attend the annual sports banquet on Friday, May 14, starting at 6:30 p.m. Come help us recognize our student athletes! 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade families, please bring a chilled 2-liter beverage to share. 5<sup>th</sup> grade families, please bring a healthy snack to share. 6<sup>th</sup> grade families, please bring a salty snack to share. And 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade families, please bring a sweet snack to share.

### **Spring band and choir concert**

Plan to attend our spring band and choir concert on Thursday, May 20. Starting at 7 p.m. in the gym, our bands and upper grade choirs will share their exceptional talents with us. Parents, thank you for encouraging your children to practice and share their gifts.

### **Calendar:**

May 11	Track and Field Day
May 14	Sports banquet, 6:30 p.m., gymnasium
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 10:**

Mon:	Chicken and cheese quesadillas, corn, pineapple, milk
Tues:	French toast sticks, sausage links, hash browns, mandarin oranges, orange juice, milk
Wed:	Hot dog, chips, baby carrots, grapes, cookie, milk
Thurs:	Nachos, corn, pineapple, ice cream, milk
Fri:	Chicken tenders, tater tots, green beans, pears, milk

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

### **Donate items for Trinity rummage sale**

Are you working on your spring cleaning? Do you have some extra items you'd like to get rid of? Consider putting your extra things to good use by donating them to the Trinity rummage sale! Your donations are being accepted in the gym from June 1 through June 8, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. The rummage sale begins Thursday, June 10, at 9 a.m.

### **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.

### **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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