
THE KINGSMAN



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SCHOOL & ECC

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

November 20, 2009

PARTNERS IN PARENTING: “2+2=5???????”

From Julian Petzold, Principal

2+2=4! That is a fact, but I convinced the entire student body at chapel this week that it could also equal 5. All it took was a little peer pressure, while having our math specialist, Mr. Ernst, agree that 2+2 can = 5. He agreed that it was possible, and soon I had the students believing it too. I’m not trying to confuse anyone about math facts. I’m trying to make the point of how we can all be influenced to believe something that isn’t true just because someone said it to be true. I wanted the children to understand the fact that Satan is a liar and the father of lies. [Jesus is speaking here] “...*When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.*” John 8:44

Society and the popular culture are continually teaching our children lies like:

- Buy these clothes to be cool
- You need this toy
- A little lie is not a big deal
- Mean people deserve me being mean to them
- I deserve good things in life
- Money can provide happiness

These all come from Satan as a way to detract our children from the Truth of Scripture! Watch carefully for the steady dose of lies your child(ren) are bombarded with each day. Notice the lies and talk about them. Talk about them in the context of their source – SATAN. This is critical if our children are to be able to be different than the world and a witness of Jesus’ love to others. Watch out for the father of lies all around you as you live in the world. Help your children see his work in the world.

Family Discussion Points

Share an instance where you witnessed a “lie” of Satan being believed by someone.

Identify lies on commercials the next time you watch TV. Use your DVR or VCR, if you have one, to see how many you can find in one commercial alone.

Discuss why Satan would lie.

Who is Truth?

What book contains absolute Truth? Read from it as a family at least once this week.

Mid-quarter reports

Monday, November 30 is the mid-point of the second quarter. Mid-quarter reports will be viewable on Fast Direct on Friday, December 4. Please remember to check your children’s reports.

NO SCHOOL

Nov. 13 K-8 closed PS & Child Care open
Nov. 25 PS-8 closed Child Care open
Nov. 26-27 PS-8 and Child Care closed

School-age care available on Wednesday, Nov. 25

School will not be in session on November 25, as part of the Thanksgiving holiday. Child Care will be open, and school-age care will be available for those who reserve a spot in advance. Forms should have come home with your student on Monday, November 16. If you have any questions or need a form, please call the ECC office at 983-0040, ext. 200.

Thanksgiving baskets – last call for food donations

We all look forward to Thanksgiving dinner and time with family. We hope to provide these wonderful memories to other families who might miss them. Each class has been given a short list from which to choose items to donate for Thanksgiving baskets. The junior high school students will assemble them on Tuesday morning, November 24. Until then, items will be collected in the hallway on the main floor of the school. October chapel funds have been set aside to purchase turkeys, bread, butter, milk, and other items. The 7th and 8th graders and their parents will deliver the baskets to families in need in our community the afternoon of November 24. Thank you for sharing what you can.

No Kingsman next week

Because of the short school week, we will not publish a Kingsman newsletter next week. The next Kingsman will come home on Friday, December 4.

Preschool Thanksgiving feasts

Join us on Monday, November 23, and Tuesday, November 24. Be on the lookout for Native Americans and Pilgrims in the Early Childhood Center!

Tuition payments

Please remember that all tuition and fees are due by the 10th of the month (Nov. 10 for current tuition). On the 21st 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).

Coffee with the Principal

If you missed the Coffee with the Principal meeting on Thursday, November 19, a copy of the agenda is included with the Kingsman. Please contact Mr. Petzold if you have any questions!

TRINITY SPIRIT

Opportunities to show your Kingsman Spirit by supporting our students

First quarter Honor Roll awards

Several 6th -8th grade students earned the right to be on the first quarter Honor Roll. These students received certificates at the November 18 chapel, and the complete Honor Roll list is available to see in the trophy case. Congratulations, students, on your great work!

Poms squad!

On Friday, November 20, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., there will be an extended practice for our poms team, which is comprised of 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls who are interested in performing. In general, practices will take place during some gym classes, but the special November 20 rehearsal is designed to give the squad concentrated time to put together the routine. If your daughter is planning on being on the team but cannot make the November 20 practice, please have her notify Mrs. Krokker or Mrs. Maynard.

Basketball season is underway

The boys' basketball season began this month, and many of our 3rd through 8th grade students are participating. This season's game schedule is included with the Kingsman. Please attend the games to cheer on our teams!

Special Thanksgiving Service

Wednesday, Nov. 25 6:30 p.m.

This service is also a food drive for the Benton Harbor soup kitchen. Please bring large cans of vegetables, fruit, meat, etc., either to the church office or to Wednesday evening's service to place on the altar.

Calendar:

Nov. 22 Senior Youth Thanksgiving dinner, 5 p.m.
Family pizza/movie night, 5 p.m.
Nov. 25 NO SCHOOL – Childcare available
Nov. 26-27 NO SCHOOL: Happy Thanksgiving!
Dec. 2 Advent service, 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 3 Band/choir concert, 7 p.m., gym
Dec. 9 Advent service, 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 11 Geography Bee, 2 p.m., gym
Dec. 16 Advent service, 6:30 p.m.

Lunch Menu for the week of November 23:

Mon: Shrimp poppers, fries, green beans, peaches, cookie, milk
Tues: Chicken drumsticks, baked potatoes, broccoli, pears, milk
Mon., Nov. 30: Pizza, corn, peaches, cookie, milk

SPORTS CORNER

Boys' basketball scores:

- 3rd/4th: Win (32-28) vs. Christ; Win (44-10) vs. St. Paul; win vs. Berrien Springs (exact score unknown)
- 5th/6th: Nov. 16 vs. Christ – L (36-24); Nov. 19 vs. Grace – L (26-24)
- 7th/8th: Nov. 16 vs. Christ – L (51-6); Nov. 19 vs. BH Charter – L (32-31)

Upcoming games:

November 23

- 4 p.m.: 3rd/4th boys' basketball vs. St. Paul (Home)
5 p.m.: 7th/8th boys' basketball vs. Countryside Charter School at Countryside
6 p.m.: 7th/8th boys' basketball vs. Countryside Charter School at Countryside
6 p.m.: 5th/6th boys' basketball vs. Trinity Sawyer (Home)

November 30

- 6 p.m.: 5th/6th boys' basketball vs. Trinity Berrien Springs (Home)
7 p.m.: 7th/8th boys' basketball vs. Christ (Home)

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