THE TRINITY TWEET

Growing in Respect Integrity Truth

And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

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The mission of Trinity Lutheran School is to assist families to make fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ through Christ-centered education.

Mr. Brown's message will return in our next edition of the Tweet.

NO CEF TOMORROW 2/11 Mrs. Brothers will be back next week for CEF stamps.

DANCE COMBINED AGAIN THIS WEEK Ms. Suzette is watching the weather for this week and as a precaution, would like Thursday dancers to come on Wednesday for a combined class.

WINTER BREAK AND BAGEL DAY On Monday, February 17 and Tuesday, February 18, there will not be school. Enjoy the four-day weekend! Bagel day is typically the third Tuesday of the month; therefore, Bagel Day will be a week early. <u>Bagels</u> will be handed out TOMORROW, February 11.

HARDT-RATHE MATCHING CHALLENGE! The Hardt-Rathe Scholarship fund was started to assist families who desire a Christian education for their children but needed financial assistance. Each year, through the continued support of the congregation to the Hardt-Rathe Scholarship Fund, Trinity provides an average of \$30,000 to support families with tuition needs. Thanks to an anonymous donor, we have an opportunity to grow the fund! During the month of February, any donations to the scholarship fund will be matched up to \$5000. We are incredibly thankful, and would love to see this generous donation matched so we can continue to bless families for multiple generations! All contributions are tax deductible. Checks can be made payable to Trinity Lutheran Church with the memo line "Hardt-Rathe Fund" and can be brought to the school office or placed with the offering. The Hardt-Rathe Tuition Assistance Fund was established in honor of Ted Hardt, a long-time Trinity teacher, and Willard Rathe, who was a teacher and principal at Trinity from 1946 until he retired in 1982. (You can read more about Mr. Rathe here)

SPELLING BEE WINNERS Congratulations to our spelling bee winners last week! Ainsley Gastmeier (Grade 8) took first place. Sibling Keane Gastmeier (Grade 7) came in second place. Becky Field (Grade 5) was third place. Ainsley will represent Trinity in the Macomb County Spelling Bee on Sunday, March 2. Congratulations spellers!



RE-ENROLLMENT INFORMATION Re-enrollment is open to current school families until February 28. On March 1, enrollment will open to the general public and the fee increases for current families to \$400. Don't delay! <u>tri-</u><u>mi.client.renweb.com/pwr/</u>

MUSIC FESTIVAL MARCH 4 Volunteers will be needed again this year as Trinity hosts the 2024 Music Festival, organized by the Lutheran Schools Music Committee. Mrs. Nyboer will send an email soon if you are interested in helping. SAVE THE DATE – DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE Please join us for Trinity's 2025 Daddy Daughter Dance on Sunday, April 6th from 1:00 PM - 3 PM. The dance will be held at Fern Hill Golf Club located at 17600 Clinton River Rd in Clinton Twp. Ticket prices are \$30.00 per person, which includes a full buffet lunch, dancing and fun! Tickets will be available in the school's coffee oasis on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:30-8:15 a.m. starting February 18. <u>CASH ONLY</u> <u>PLEASE</u>. Please contact Jackie Walker at jqmariewalker@gmail.com or Xenia Woltmann at xenia@rochesterwealthstrategies.com with any questions. We hope to see you there!!!

Sector Sector

FEBRUARY CHAPEL OFFERING Our February Hearts for Jesus mission project MOST Ministries. <u>Mission Opportunities Short Term (MOST) is a</u> Christian non-profit that connects, trains, and sends short-term mission teams throughout the world. In 2024, MOST mission teams served in 9

countries where they have distributed over 6,300 eyeglasses, 85 water filters - and impacted the lives of over 6,600 people by sharing the Gospel. To raise money for this mission, your child will receive a tube of mini M&Ms to enjoy, and we are asking that they please fill the tube with quarters during the month of February to help children throughout the world learn about Jesus through MOST Ministries. Tubes can be returned to school any time during the month of February. Any questions? Contact Grade 3 teacher Catha Huff at chuff@trinityct.org You can read more about the mission here: michigandistrict.org/schools/services/hearts-for-jesus/

KIDS HEART CHALLENGE Thank you for helping your students participate in this educational program by raising lifesaving donations for those in need. If you have not had a chance to help – there is still time. Click the link below to wrap up your donations by the 14th! Thank you! www2.heart.org/goto/trinityct

STILL TIME TO SIGN UP FOR THE MATH FACT CHALLENGE!

Trinity students are challenged to master level-appropriate math facts and win free dress down days for their effort! K— Counting skills

- 1/2—Addition/Subtraction
- 3/4—Multiplication tables 1-10
- 5/6—Multiplication tables 1-12
- 7/8—Formulas and other facts

Have your student(s) take on the challenge and <u>sign up</u> <u>HERE</u>. More information will be sent once the form is submitted. **KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS** Did you know Trinity participates with Kroger in their Community Rewards program? If you are a Kroger shopper, you can designate Trinity Clinton Township as a recipient of Community Rewards money from Kroger! Use the app <u>or the website</u> to check your account and enroll for Trinity (organization number WL 109).

SOUP AND OTHER ALA CARTE ITEMS Mrs. Chilcutt's chicken noodle soup is back on the menu every Friday! It is an ala carte item and costs \$1 which will be billed to your lunch account. Per government lunch guidelines, students must have either a lunch from home or a school meal to go with the soup or any ala carte item ordered – ala carte items cannot be the only thing a student is eating for lunch. If they do not have food from home to go with an ala carte item, they will be given a meal and it will be changed to RenWeb.

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND CEF Stamps are a savings program for our kids to begin saving for their future. The students "purchase" stamps, and the money gets put into an account for them at Church Extension Fund (CEF). Parents must be on the account with their minor children. The money earns interest, and you'll get statements regarding the balance on a regular basis. Feel free to ask Mrs. Brothers any questions if you are not familiar with the program. She will be greeting interested students at the "T" in the hallway. The students will need to see her before the bell rings.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

February 12	8:20 Chapel
February 17-18	NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK
February 19	8:20 Chapel
February 23	Grades 7 and 8 sing at 9:00 Worship
February 26	8:20 Chapel
March 4	Music Festival
March 5	Ash Wednesday, 10:00 Worship (no chapel)
March 6	Varsity Basketball Awards Night
March 7	HALF DAY – 11:30 DISMISSAL
	End of Trimester
March 9	Daylight Saving begins – spring ahead 1 hour
March 11	Report Cards sent home
March 12	8:20 Chapel
	4–6pm Optional Parent Teacher Conferences
March 13	4-8pm Optional Parent Teacher Conferences
March 14	Paid Casual Day
March 19	8:20 Chapel
March 24-28	NO SCHOOL – SPRING BREAK
March 31	School resumes
April 2	8:20 Chapel

FRIDAY DRESS CODE On most Fridays during the school year, theme shirts or Trinity spirit wear tops may be worn with uniform bottoms (free) or jeans (\$1). This is NOT a dress-down day, therefore there are intentionally less options. Please take note of the following guidelines:

ALLOWED:

Theme shirts from current or past school years Trinity spirit wear tops Uniform bottoms (free) or Jeans (\$1) <u>NOT ALLOWED:</u> No Michigan State Spartans clothing No sweatpants, joggers, leggings or other non-jeans/nonuniform bottoms. No Thrivent shirts (we love them, just not on Fridays) *Please continue to follow the guidelines so we may keep Spirit Wear Fridays*!

UPCOMING LUTHERAN NORTH EVENTS

February 11 - Elementary Art Night - 3rd Grade

INCLEMENT WEATHER DAYS will always be communicated from Mr. Brown in three ways: Remind 101, a RenWeb email, and local media outlets. Typically, Trinity will close for inclement weather if L'Anse Creuse closes for inclement weather, however, please confirm Trinity is closed by using one of the three methods listed.

CHURCH INFORMATION -----

WEEKEND CHURCH SERVICES Sundays at 9:00 and 11:00

Saturdays at 5:00 and 11

E3 CONTINUES—Our Wednesday evening gathering and activities for all ages, continues throughout the winter! Free dinner is served at 6 p.m. followed by the meet ups at 6:30 p.m. There is something for everyone in the family. For more information, call the Church Office at 586-463-2921. Current E3 Offerings:

- Adults "A Clash of Kingdoms"
- Adults—The Intersection of Church and State
- Middle and High School Youth
- Preteens (4th and 5th graders)
- Elementary School (Kindergarten and older)
- Nursery

LHSA FAMILIES—It's time to turn in your LHSA Congregational Support Form! Print out the forms at.lhsa.com/forms and turn them in to the Church Office.

SAVE THE DATE FOR TRIVIA NIGHT —Support the youth attending the National Youth Gathering this summer through a Trivia Night on March 15 at 6 p.m. More info to come, but start gathering your teams of 8 and mark it on your calendar.

SAVE THE DATE FOR FIRST COMMUNION CLASS—Our First Communion Faith Stepping Stone for 5th graders begins Thursday, March 20 (does not meet March 27) and runs three weeks. The classes are held from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Community Center. Fifth graders and their parents attend the class together to prepare the students for receiving the Lord's Supper. Students are able to participate in the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday, which is Thursday, April 17. To register, or get more information, visit www.trinityct.org/firstcommunion.