
THE TRINITY TWEET

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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.

The Principal's message will resume on February 23.

NO CEF THIS FRIDAY There will not be Church Extension Fund this Friday, February 13. Mrs. Brothers will return to doing CEF on Friday, February 20. Thank you.

NO SCHOOL MONDAY AND TUESDAY Mid-Winter break is next week Monday and Tuesday, February 16 and 17. Classes resume on Wednesday, February 18. The next Tweet will come home on Monday, February 23!

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP On Wednesday, February 18, the school will be attending the Ash Wednesday service at 10:00 a.m. The students will receive the imposition of ashes, and Holy Communion will be offered to those students who have gone through the Communion confirmation instruction at Trinity. Parents are invited to attend, but we ask that you sit with the rest of the congregation who attends. Thank you. There is also a 7:00 p.m. service if you would like to attend.

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](#))

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! tri-mi.client.renweb.com/pwr/

SPELLING BEE WINNERS Congratulations to our Spelling Bee winners last week! Keane Gastmeier (Grade 8) took first place. Amelia Bishop (Grade 7) came in second place. Tied for third were Levi Wirth (grade 5) and Aubrey McNeil (Grade 8). Keane will represent Trinity in the Macomb County Spelling Bee on Sunday, March 1. Congratulations spellers!



MUSIC FESTIVAL MARCH 3 Volunteers will be needed again this year as Trinity hosts the 2026 Music Festival, organized by the Lutheran Schools Music Committee. Mrs. Nyboer will send an email soon if you are interested in helping.



FEBRUARY CHAPEL OFFERING Our February Hearts for Jesus mission project LeadAChild ministries. LeadAChild is an independent Lutheran Mission Agency, dedicated to sharing Jesus' love to children through Christian education in third world countries. Gifts and donations from supporters are used to provide scholarships, school registration, and supplies so children can attend Lutheran schools and educational enrichment programs. 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 with LeadAChild. 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/

SIGNING WORKSHOP Some Trinity 5th and 6th graders have had an opportunity to learn a bit of American Sign Language during electives this trimester. On March 14-15, there will be a chance to further that learning (or to start from scratch) at a workshop sponsored by Church Interpreter Training Academy (CITA). The workshops are for adults and kids alike, and will be held at Emmanuel

Lutheran in Dearborn. For more information, check out the CITA website: citahands.weebly.com

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION KIDS HEART CHALLENGE Students have the option again this year to participate in the AHA Kids Heart Challenge program. This optional program is a fundraiser for heart health. More details are [on this website](#).



TRINITY MATH CHALLENGE IS BACK! Trinity students will be challenged once again to master level-appropriate math facts and win prizes for their efforts! The skills include:

- 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

If you are interested in having your student(s) take on the challenge, [please sign up HERE](#). Anyone who completes the challenge gets a free dress down day!

SOUP AND OTHER ALA CARTE ITEMS Mrs. Chilcutt's chicken noodle soup is 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. Thank you.

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND CEF is a savings program that students may support every Friday. You can read about the non-profit work of CEF [on their website](#). Students "purchase" stamps, and the money gets put into an account for them at Church Extension Fund. 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.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS 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 [or the website](#) to check your account and enroll for Trinity (organization WL 109).

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.

SIGN UP FOR REMIND 101! Mr. Brown will be using Remind again this year to send school cancellations or other quick messages. If you haven't already, please text 81010 to get signed up. Put the below code in the message body. You only need to sign up for one group.

- K-2 - @ag9ff4
- 3-5 - @64f2ch
- 6-8 - @c6cagd

UPCOMING EVENTS AT LUTHERAN HIGH NORTH



3/3 8th Grade Scheduling Registered 8th graders and their families are invited on Tuesday, March 3rd at 6:00 PM! Families will get a first look at the course offerings available for incoming freshmen, plus a chance to connect with our athletic coaches and extracurricular club leaders, and explore activities.

3/6/26 Mustang Mix It Up 6th-8th Grade Students will have the chance to make new friends while participating in fun activities like volleyball, basketball, dodgeball, and more. Pizza will be provided, and we'll also have giveaways throughout the evening!

3/17 Middle School Art Night 5th & 6th Grade Join Mrs. Wilson, Lutheran North's art teacher, along with some of our talented LHN art students, for a fun and creative art experience! Come create something fantastic and get a glimpse into the Lutheran North art program.

4/25 Trivia Night 2026 Join Mustang Spirit for a night of trivia and fun as we raise funds to benefit our athletes on Saturday, April 25th beginning at 6:30pm (check in begins at 6pm). Only the first 24 tables to register are able to join us. Grab your friends, family, alumni and smart acquaintances. Play to win or play to have fun or both!

SCHOOL CALENDAR

- February 11 8:20 Chapel
- February 16-17 **NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK**
- February 18 10:00 Ash Wednesday Worship (no chapel)
- February 22 Grades 7 and 8 sing at 8:30 Worship
- February 25 8:20 Chapel
- February 28 Dinner Dance Fundraiser
- March 3 Trinity hosts Music Festival
- March 5 Hearing Screening K, 2, 4
- March 6 **HALF DAY – 11:30 DISMISSAL**
End of Trimester
- March 8 Daylight Saving begins – spring ahead!

- March 10 Report Cards sent home
- March 11 8:20 Chapel
4–6pm Optional Parent Teacher Conferences
- March 12 4–6pm Optional Parent Teacher Conferences
- March 13 Casual Day for Easter Baskets
- March 15 Grades 1 and 2 sing at 8:30 Worshp

VOLUNTEER CORNER

SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR The hospitality team us looking for more help between services with snacks and hosting. If you can help, please [SIGN UP HERE](#).

K/1/2 LUNCH AND RECESS VOLUNTEERS Grades K/1/2 are looking for volunteers to help each day in the lunchroom and on the playground. Duties include walking around the lunch tables, opening packages, walking kids to the restroom and waiting in the hallway, and walking the playground to monitor students with other staff members. **A Parent Participation Form is required to volunteer.** No siblings, please, so attention can be on K/1/2 students. Use [THIS LINK](#) to sign up.

3/4 RECESS VOLUNTEERS Third and Fourth Grades are looking for Recess Volunteers for Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. **A Parent Participation Form is required to volunteer.** When you arrive, please sign in to the office and pick up a volunteer badge. [Review the available slots to sign up.](#)

CHURCH HELP Don't forget, volunteering with church activities may also count towards your volunteer hours. [Read the Announcer](#) weekly to learn all the ways you can be involved.

CHURCH INFORMATION -----

WEEKEND CHURCH SERVICES

- Sundays at 8:30 and 11:00
- Saturdays at 5:00

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP AND MEAL—Ash Wednesday worship is held at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Feb. 18. Both services included the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion. New this year—Following the 10 a.m. service, Trinity hosts “What would Jesus Eat,” a light meal featuring lentil soup and charcuterie in the Church Lounge. Starting at 6pm, a soup/salad/sandwich dinner of tomato soup and grilled cheese sandwiches will be available before worship in the Community Center.

ANNOUNCING MomCo! Are you a mother of littles, aged newborn to five? Then you, dearest mom, are invited to the rebirth of this long-standing group, formerly known as MOPS. Meet-ups are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in the Youth Lounge at 9:00 a.m. Childcare is provided, however advance notice is helpful. Please reach out to Rachel Nyboer at rnyboer@trinityct.org We can't wait to see you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR EVERYONE! The earlier service start time on Sunday morning allows for more options for Bible study between services. That means we have Sunday School for everyone! These classes are offered from 9:45-10:45 a.m.

† Adult Bible Study — Dive deeper into the weekly message at this pastor-led Bible study. Meets in the Church Lounge.

† Youth Group — Middle and high schoolers meet in the Youth Lounge.

† Sunday School — Kindergarten through 5th graders meet Debby Burge in the church commons to check in.

† Nursery— The nursery is available for infants through preschool-age children.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS FOR 5TH GRADE—The format for our First Communion class has changed. It is held with our Lutheran 101 class at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Feb.15, in the Community Center. As this falls over mid-winter break, there will be an after-school alternative at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 25, in the Church Lounge.

Students in 5th grade and above are eligible. To register, please visit trinityct.org/firstcommunion. Those registered will receive an email to RSVP for your preferred session in February. Students and their parents attend the class together to prepare for receiving the Lord's Supper.

BLOOD DRIVE—On Thursday, March 12, Trinity hosts a Red Cross blood drive from noon to 6 p.m. in the Community Center. To schedule an appointment, visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: TrinityCT. Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment. For more information, call Parish Nurse Lisa Riviera at 586-463-2921, ext. 111 or email lriviera@trinityct.org

NEW THIS YEAR—PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP—This summer, Trinity offers half-day summer camp for 3 and 4 year-olds. Camp begins June 15 and runs for 10 weeks. Camp is Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon with new, fun and educational themes each week. Register for one to 10 weeks of camp. To register, contact the Early Childhood Center at 586-463-8803 or email tlcecc@trinityct.org