

# 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

Issue No. 30 trinityct.org May 5, 2025

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

"A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher." Luke 6:40 (ESV)

This week, we take time to appreciate the teachers God has placed in our lives, especially those at Trinity Lutheran School. As families, we are grateful for more than their academic instruction. We give thanks that they model lives shaped by the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

In Luke 6:40, Jesus reminds us of a simple but powerful truth: disciples become like their teachers. At Trinity, the teachers are not just shaping minds, they are shaping hearts and souls. They point our children to Jesus not only through Bible lessons, chapel services, and memory verses, but in the ways they speak, forgive, encourage, and love each student.

This kind of modeling is no small thing. Our ultimate teacher is Jesus Himself. Every day, we have *one thing* to do: **follow Him**. In John 10:27, Jesus says, "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." The Christian life is about listening to Jesus' voice and walking in His steps.

Teachers at Trinity walk alongside our children, helping them hear Jesus' voice and showing them what it looks like to live in faith. But they are not the only ones given this important task. Parents, too, are called to be the primary faith mentors in the home. Home is the first place of spiritual formation. As it says in Deuteronomy 6:6–7: "And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children..."

God designed a partnership between parents and teachers – TOGETHER - guiding children to walk with Jesus. In this relationship, teachers echo and reinforce the truths that parents teach at home. Together, we lead our children not to follow us, but to follow Christ.

So, what is our daily task as families, students, parents, and teachers? One thing: **Follow Jesus.** When we do, our children will not only be well-taught, but they will be pointed directly to Christ.

**Prayer** Dear Jesus, thank You for the faithful teachers at Trinity who love You and love our children. Bless them as they model what it means to walk with You. Help us as parents to lead our children in faith at home. Above all, teach us to follow You each day so that our children may learn to follow You too. Amen.

### **Family Discussion Questions**

- 1. What is one way your teacher at Trinity points you to Jesus?
- 2. How can we as a family remind each other to follow Jesus every day?

PASTOR BEN BURGE ACCEPTS THE CALL TO TRINITY! At the services over the weekend, it was announced that Pastor Ben has accepted the call to serve as Senior Pastor of Trinity. We are overjoyed that God has connected us with him and welcome Pastor Ben and his family. Please pray for the congregation Pastor Ben is leaving as well as his family as they wrap up and transition to Michigan.

**SPRING MUSIC CONCERT AND ART SHOW** All are invited to attend the Lower Grade Music Concert and Art Show next week Thursday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. The performance, led by Mrs. Bante, will take place in the gym, and all of the beautiful art will be hanging in the hallway (thank you, Mrs. L)! Please enter through the school doors only.

#### TIE DYE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED THIS WEEK

Mrs. Moore is looking for parent volunteers to help with upper grade tie dye. You don't have to be a 5-8 grade parent to help! Assistance is needed during class times to help fill bottles with dye, set up and clean up. No experience necessary. Let Mrs. Moore know when you can help by

emailing: <a href="mailto:kmoore@trinityct.org">kmoore@trinityct.org</a>
Tuesday, May 6 during classes:
Grade 7: 9:45AM -10:30AM
Grade 5: 11:15AM - 12:00PM
Grade 6: 1:30PM - 2:15PM
Grade 8: 2:15PM - 3:00PM

I can help Monday, May 5th with set up.

I can help some days after school refilling supplies.

**LHN SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS NOW OPEN** Registration is open for all of Lutheran High North's summer camps. Learn more here: <a href="https://lutherannorth.com/summer-camps-1"><u>lutherannorth.com/summer-camps-1</u></a>

**SOUP IS DONE FOR THE SEASON** Mrs. Chilcutt's Friday soup is all done for this school year.

SAVE THE DATE – MOTHER/SON BASEBALL Trinity moms and sons are invited again this year to a mother/son baseball outing at Jimmy John's Field on Saturday, May 31. It's a doubleheader with games being played at 5:30 and 7:30. The cost is \$15 per ticket, which is good for BOTH games! If you are interested, CASH must be turned into Kelly Davey or the school office by May 16. Questions can be directed to Kelly. Her contact information is on the attached flyer.

WALKATHON Our annual Walkathon is just over two weeks away. It is the morning of Friday, May 23, Donation envelopes and a letter have been sent home. Contributions can also be made online at <a href="mailto:trinityct.org/walkathon/">trinityct.org/walkathon/</a> It is a free dress down day, as well as a half-day with dismissal at 11:30 a.m. If you are interested in volunteering for the Walkathon, please email Mrs. Nyboer by Friday, May 16. We will need help first thing that morning with set up and cutting fruit, plus help serving water, punching lap cards, clean up, and a few other things.

### THRIVENT GRANTS FOR WALKATHON

Mrs. Nyboer is in search of a few Thrivent Action grants to use for the upcoming Walkathon to purchase food and prizes Please email <a href="mailto:rnyboer@trintiyct.org">rnyboer@trintiyct.org</a> if you can help, thanks!

**FINAL DANCE CLUB SESSION STARTS MAY 7** It will be a combined K-5 class on Wednesdays. See attached flyer for details.

CHAPEL OFFERING for May and June will go to Compassion Pregnancy Center. Students were given empty baby bottles to fill which can be returned at any time before the end of school. With Jesus as their foundation, Compassion Pregnancy is a life-affirming ministry sharing the Gospel and providing women and men positive choices based on the truth found in the Bible. The offer no-cost pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, equipping and education on fetal development, parenting, healthy relationships, post-abortion healing and support, Bible study, and more. Learn more at compassionpregnancy.org/

**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).

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND CEF Stamps are a savings program for 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. Feel free to ask Mrs. Brothers any questions if you are not familiar with the program.

**STEM CAMP** In February, we emailed Trinity parents about a free hands-on robotics camp this summer. Trinity will be partnering with Team 4810 of I.AM.Robot, a talented group of students from the International Academy of Macomb, Dakota High School, and Chippewa Valley High School, to offer an engaging camp experience focused on robotics and engineering. The camp will be held at Washington Elementary School in Mt. Clemens. Students will gain knowledge in engineering, with a focus on design, mechanical systems, electrical systems, and programming. Students will also develop essential teamwork and collaboration skills as they work together with other camp participants. Junior mentors, lead mentors, and professional engineers will be guiding the students, offering a unique opportunity to learn from and interact with experienced professionals in the field of robotics. **Registration is OPEN.** <u>Use this Google Form</u>. As mentioned the camp is completely free. All students must commit to all 5 days to get the full experience. If anyone has any questions or concerns, contact Laura Freytag at (586) 855-0557 or email iamroboticst4810@gmail.com The deadline to register is May 31.

#### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

May 7	8:20 Chapel			
May 11	Mother's Day			
,	Kindergarten sings at 11:00 Worship			
May 12-16	Grade 8 Class Trip to NYC			
May 14	8:20 Chapel			
May 15	6:30 K-4 Music Concert and Art Display			
May 21	8:20 Chapel			
May 23	HALF DAY – 11:30 Dismissal - Walkathon			
	Free dress down day!			
May 26	NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day			
May 27	School resumes			
May 28	8:20 Chapel			
	6:30 Spring Concert Grades 4-8			
	(Recorders, Bands, Choirs)			
June 3	6:30 Kindergarten Graduation			
June 4	Track and Field Awards Night			
June 5	1:00 Field Day			
June 6	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! 11:30 Dismissal			
	Bagels, Yearbook Signing, Closing 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:

7:00 p.m. Grade 8 Graduation

## **ALLOWED:**

Theme shirts from current or past school years Trinity spirit wear tops Uniform bottoms (free) or Jeans (\$1)

# **NOT ALLOWED:**

No Michigan State Spartans clothing

No sweatpants, joggers, leggings or other non-jeans/non-uniform bottoms.

No Thrivent shirts (we love them, just not on Fridays) Please continue to follow the guidelines so we may keep Spirit Wear Fridays!

# CHURCH INFORMATION -----

#### **WEEKEND CHURCH SERVICES**

Sundays at 9:00 and 11:00 Saturdays at 5:00

**SIMPLY GIVE IS BACK!** From now to June 28, Trinity's Food Pantry is getting a helping hand from Meijer! Shop the Clinton Township Meijer and purchase a \$10 Simply Give gift

card from the register and Trinity's food pantry receives the \$10 plus a match from Meijer that we can use on food and other eligible items. On Saturday, June 14, it is Double Match Day. For every \$10 card purchased, Meijer contributes \$20, bringing the total to \$30 for the pantry! For more information, call the Church Office at 586-463-2921.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY Between services, check out a new weekly Bible Study called 'Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday-School' based on the Scripture readings for each week. Class is led by Pastor Keith and runs each Sunday from 10:10-10:50 a.m. There is always more to the to the Lectionary readings than the sermon theme. We get behind the scenes of familiar Bible verses that sometimes make us wonder "why did Jesus say that?" "Why did God inspire the author to write that?" and "What is the story behind this verse?"

PASTOR GARY'S RETIREMENT TICKETS—On June 15, Father's Day, we have one service at 10 a.m. This is Pastor Gary's final worship service before he retires. Following the service, a celebration is from noon to 3 p.m. at the Italian American Cultural Center. Tickets are \$25/adults, \$15/ages 5-12 and children under 5 are free. Tickets will be sold after all services beginning May 3 until June 1. Trinity members Jim Chauvin, Debbie Montgomery and Kim Waller are organizing the celebration.

# ECC INFORMATION -----

IT'S TIME TO THINK ABOUT PRESCHOOL—Trinity's Early Childhood Center is enrolling for the traditional half-day three and four-year-old preschool program and in the FREE Great Start Readiness Program for this fall. This program is free to four-year-olds. Find out more on either program at Trinity's website at Trinityct.org/ECC.

**SUMMER CAMP OPEN ENROLLMENT**—Registration for Summer Camp is underway. Visit Trinityct.org/summercamp to get all the information you need on how to register, fees and planned activities.

PAID CAMP COUNSELORS NEEDED—Summer Camp
Counselors work in pairs with up to 20 children and a
volunteer counselor assistant to lead kids through their days.
This is a full-time position, Monday through Friday with no
weekends. For more information, visit
Trinityct.org/ECCemployment and complete the childcare
job application. If you have questions, contact Pastor Jeremy

at pastorjeremy@trinityct.org