THE TRINITY TWEET

Yesterday * Today * Forever

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and forever. -Hebrews 13:8

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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.

Hello, Parents. We are continuing our Discipleship Weekly Challenge in every issue of the Tweet. In an effort to keep our focus on following Christ, we will offer this challenge for you and your family's participation. These are easy ways we can be the hands and feet of Jesus in our daily lives.

Week #16 Challenge: Build a tower with blocks, LEGOs, boxes, etc. Talk about family and friends you need to forgive. After the last block is on, knock it down and shout, "I forgive!" Repeat as necessary! This could be done as a group or taking turns.

I look forward to hearing how your children are shining as you embrace these challenges with them. -Mr. Kennedy

IT'S NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK!

This year's theme is "Sent to Serve" based on Matthew 20:28. In the school, we will be finding ways to serve. Our students will be making notes for hospital workers, and we will also have a classroom competition to collect and sort items for the Food Pantry. The winning class will receive a prize from our Food Service Director, Mrs. Chilcutt. To receive credit, items must be turned in to <u>each classroom</u>:

- K Mac & Cheese or Canned Soup
- 1 Liquid dish soap (like Ajax)
- 2 Toothpaste
- 3 Body wash or body soap bars
- 4 Hand soap
- 5 Tissue (like Kleenex)
- 6 Toothbrushes
- 7 Deodorant
- 8 Full-size Shampoo

For "extra credit points", students can bring in toilet paper, paper towel, and feminine products. **Items must be turned in by Friday, January 29 in the morning.**

Also in celebration of LSW, students will be able to wear special dress for each day's theme:

1/24 Monday – Color Day: Dress in the color of your class

K – Teal	3 – Purple	6 – Yellow
1 – Rainbow	4 – Blue	7 – Black
2 – Red	5 – Green	8 – Gray

1/25 Tuesday – Sports Day: Dress with your favorite sports team. Professional, College, any team!

1/26 Wednesday - Dress up for Jesus: Dress code or better

1/27 Thursday – Wacky Wardrobe: Wear your craziest outfit (backwards, inside out, mis-match, etc.)

1/28 Friday – Comfy Cozy Day: Wear your most relaxing, school-appropriate clothes. Pajamas are okay.

THE TRINITY TALENT SHOW is being modified. To prevent the spread of Covid-19, we will be having each classroom host their own individual Talent Show during the school day this week. We ask that students not perform in groups, but instead share individual acts. See your child's teacher for more information.

SCHOOL AND ECC OPEN HOUSE Please invite anyone interested in providing their child with an exceptional Christian education at Trinity to our School and Early Childhood Center Open House on Sunday, February 7. We will have faculty and staff available to meet with future parents and children between 10:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m. Guests will need to wear a mask and all meetings will be sociallydistanced for everyone's safety. All visits will start in the school lobby. Families will have the opportunity to tour the classrooms, meet with teachers, experience the facilities and learn about the programs that Trinity offers. For more information, call 586-468-8511. <u>PLEASE – new families only!</u> **KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT** will be Tuesday, February 9 from 6:30 – 8 p.m. We will meet in the church for a devotion together and learn more about the school and Kindergarten program. Please invite anyone you know who might be interested in attending Kindergarten at Trinity next year. Don't hesitate to call the school office with any questions at 586-468-8511. ***Due to Covid, this event is for parents only.** All parent attendees must wear a mask and we will be practicing social distancing.

THE ANNUAL GEOGRAPHY BEE has been canceled by the sponsoring organization, National Geographic.

THE 100TH DAY OF SCHOOL will be on Wednesday, February 10 and we are going to celebrate! What do you think you will look like when you are 100 years old? Dress like it on the 100th day of school.

VALENTINES DAY is quickly approaching and the classrooms will be doing things differently this year because of Covid. Grade 5-8 will NOT be doing any sort of Valentines exchange. Grades K-4 will still do an exchange, but valentines must be sent to school a week in advance (February 5) to have time to quarantine before teachers pass them out. K-4 teachers will be contacting parents.

BASKETBALL is on hold per the latest extension from the MDHHS until February 21. Please stay tuned for information from the Athletic Directors regarding the JV Saturdays and upcoming Varsity season.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

January 25-29	LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK
January 27	8:30 Chapel Livestreamed
February 3	8:30 Chapel Livestreamed
February 5	Dress Down Day (\$\$ Hearts for Jesus)
	K-4 Valentines due at school
February 7	10:30 – 1:30 SCHOOL/ECC Open House
February 9	6:30 – 8:00 Kindergarten Information Night
February 10	8:30 Chapel Livestreamed
	100 th Day of School
February 12	Spelling Bee
Feb. 15/16	NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK
February 17	School Resumes
	Ash Wednesday
February 24	8:30 Chapel Livestreamed

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 will be coming home from Mr. Flaherty, PE Teacher. **FREE LUNCH** is <u>still</u> available to all students in the school! The program runs until the end of this school year.

CHAPEL OFFERING for the month of January will be going to Lutheran Special Education Ministries. LSEM reaches, serves and supports children with various learning needs in Lutheran schools around the world. Please remember to bring your chapel offering!

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. Ask Mrs. Brothers any questions if you are not familiar with the program.

K/1/2 PICKUP Please do not park at Polski's and walk across Oxford. You are creating a danger for yourself and drivers as you cross several lanes of traffic! PLEASE park on Harper Avenue if you wish to walk up to the school instead of utilizing the drive line. Please also share this with any caregivers or grandparents who may be picking up your student.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE SIGNED UP FOR REMIND

from Mr. Kennedy. Time sensitive information is often sent via remind, <u>including information about snow days</u>! Text 81010 to get signed up. You only need to join one:

> Grades K, 1, 2 - @trinityk12 Grades 3, 4, 5 - @trinity543 Grades 6, 7, 8 - @trinity678

SNOW DAYS will always be communicated from Mr. Kennedy 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, that might be different this year for their district. Please confirm Trinity is closed by using one of the three methods listed.

LHN APPLICATION NOW OPEN—If you already know Lutheran High North is the high school for your student, the online application is officially open for next year—apply on the Lutheran High North website. If you need a little bit more information to decide, LHN is currently offering afterschool tours (limited availability). For more information, contact Admission Director Renee Finkle at finkle@lhsa.com or 586-781-9151 extension 157.

CHURCH INFORMATION -----

COMMUNION Trinity plans to reintroduce Holy Communion into our worship services beginning Jan. 31. We will continue to offer midweek communion for those who are uncomfortable returning to church or the practice during church services. Our February midweek communion will be held on Feb. 9 and on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17, which will also include the distribution of ashes. To sign up for our midweek communion, go to Trinityct.org/communion. If you have any questions, call the church office at 586-463-2921.

THE PINT SIZE HERO BLOOD DRIVE will be March 18, 2021. Our blood drives have been successful during the pandemic and they fill up quickly. Please sign up early. To sign up, go to RedCrossBlood.org and use the code TrinityCT. Any questions contact Parish Nurse, Lisa Riviera at Iriviera@trinityct.org

FIRST BIBLE—First grade parents, our First Bible Stepping Stone will be Feb. 4 and Feb. 11 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. In this 2-week stepping stone, parents and their children learn the how-tos of getting around a Bible, and, more importantly, how the Bible is used to help grow faith. This stepping stone is designed for first graders and their parents (or 2nd or 3rd graders who've not done it). To help us with materials, please RSVP to Robin Shuell at rshuell@trinityct.org or sign up at Trinityct.org/firstbible. For questions, contact Emily Wright at ewright@trinityct.org

YOUTH MEETINGS—The midweek youth meet-ups are inperson again! The youth meet in a socially-distanced environment on Wednesday from 6:30-8 p.m. at the church. The youth meet ups are open to all students in grades 6-12. If you have not participated yet and are interested, email Mr. Wright at <u>bwright@trinityct.org</u>.

ECC INFORMATION ------

GSRP OPENINGS If you know anyone looking for preschool for the winter, Trinity's Great Start Readiness Program Preschool is enrolling students. The income requirements have been lifted, making preschool free for most people. The program is open to students 4 years old by Dec. 1. For more information, visit Trinityct.org/GSRP, or call the ECC at 586-463-8803.