



Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.
Colossians 3:15

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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY:

TUE Basketball practice 5:00-7:00pm.
WED Chapel 8:20.
THU Basketball practice 5:00-7:00pm.
SAT Christmas Eve Service Practice, 10-11:30 a.m. Free lunch following

“Let’s Get Ready for the King of Peace”-

(A devotion from www.wels.net - “Family Devotions” - A great resource; check it out!)

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah:

“A voice of one calling in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.’” ~ Matthew 3:1-3

Don’t you hate it when you get caught doing something wrong? We don’t want other people to know about our sins. We’re ashamed of them, and so we try to hide our guilt so no one finds out.

But look what happened when John the Baptist arrived. John was the last great prophet that God sent to prepare people for Jesus. And as John preached, people lined up just to be able to confess their sins! They were eager to admit the things they did wrong. Imagine that!

But why?

When they heard John’s preaching, they realized that they could try to hide their sins, but that doesn’t get rid of them. It’s like pushing a splinter deeper into your finger because you’re too scared to pull it out: it’s just going to make the problem worse. And they weren’t there just to admit they did bad things. John was baptizing them. He was washing them with water and promising them that God forgave all their sins. That’s how he got people ready for Jesus: he told them to confess their sins and told them that Jesus was bringing forgiveness.

Our Mission:

Trinity Lutheran School exists to assist families in the Christ-Centered education of their children: to guide them to know Jesus as their Savior, grow in faith, and share Him with others.



As we get ready for Christmas, there are so many things to do: we wrap presents and get the house ready for visitors or help our family make a big dinner. Those are wonderful things, but that's not really what it means to be ready for Jesus. Do you want to be ready for him? Then be honest about the sins you've done; there's no point in hiding them and no reason to hold onto that guilt. Sometimes that's hard to do—almost as hard as knocking down mountains or straightening out crooked roads. But there's a reason why we want to get those things out of the way: Because Jesus is coming to share forgiveness and peace with us and to wash us clean from our sins.

Prayer: Jesus, you didn't come to bring us guilt, but to take guilt away. You didn't come to fill me with sadness, but with peace. So help me to recognize that my guilt, my fear and my sadness all come from my sins. As I confess those sins, fill me with your peace. As we remember your birth this Christmas, give me faith that this peace is really for me. Amen.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE PRACTICES -

Thank you for attending practice this past Saturday. If for some reason you did not make it and did not inform the teacher, we would ask that you send them a quick message letting them know why the practice was missed. The next practice will be Saturday, December 17 from 10:00-11:30 with lunch and Christmas for Kids afterwards. We're looking forward to sharing the great news of Jesus' birth with you all!

Call News

The voters of Trinity met yesterday to Call a teacher for grades 7 & 8 who will begin next school year. Once all contacts have been made, we will share the name of the individual - watch for the update in next week's newsletter.

Advent Services This Week - A Special Service -

Our preschool and prekindergarten students will be presenting their service titled "What Do You See?" this Wednesday evening at 7 PM in the church. A fellowship meal will be served at 5:30 in the church basement and desserts will be served after the service. All are welcome!

Before/Aftercare Reminder -

Just a reminder for families making use of this service - although there is no mandatory fee for this program, we would encourage a \$5/session donation per family. This helps offset the cost of the leader and may allow the leader to purchase materials and provide snacks from time-to-time.

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS

Food Donations: We still need a few food items for Christmas for Kids this Saturday including casserole, bananas, oranges, and strawberries. If you can help, please email Jenny Boehm at mwmtrinity@tlcjenera.org to sign up.

Health Reminder

It seems that whatever was going around before the break has quieted down. As much as we'd like to think that will be the end of illnesses this season, it is likely something will come up again over the next few months. Please remember to keep your child home if they are not feeling well. You know your child better than we do, so in many ways we trust your judgment. However, if they are running a high temperature or experiencing symptoms of vomiting or diarrhea, please keep them home until symptoms like these have not been displayed for at least 24 hrs. Thank you for keeping our Tigers healthy and safe at school!

Basketball & Cheerleading

Both basketball and cheerleading practice are on the schedule for this week. Basketball parents: please remember that there will be a parent meeting on Tuesday at 6:30 PM. (A note was sent home last Thursday. 😊)

Hymn of the Week

All classes are now working on Christmas parts. Please check the classroom newsletters for specific assignments.

TLS Lunch Menu

Hot Pockets (ham & cheese or pepperoni)	\$1	Corn Dog	\$.50
Pizza Rolls	6/\$1	PB&J Uncrustable	\$1
Cheeseburger	\$2		
Chicken sandwich	\$2.50		

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