



You are a chosen people... that you may declare His praise. - 1 Peter 2:9

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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

MON Mornings with Mommy 9:30 & 11:00; Basketball Practice 3:30-5
TUE Mornings with Mommy 9:30; Cheerleading 3:30-4:30
WED Chapel 8:20; Basketball 3:30-5
THU Cheerleading 3:30-4:30
SAT HCA Preseason Basketball Tournament 12:00

"My Forever Friend"

A Devotion based on the hymn being introduced this week:

"How Lovely Shines the Morning Star" (CW 370)

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

More than one couple have expressed the thought that on their wedding day they were marrying their best friend. Many couples have experienced a deep friendship in the union of husband and wife that has helped them provide for children and foster the stability of society. It is good for a husband and wife to be best friends. May it be true of many couples for many years!

Whether you are married or single, I hope your heart has been captured by the married love that Jesus has for you, his best friend. Yes, he has more than one best friend. He is the God-man, and so he is best friends with every person who believes in him. Let this hymn stand as a testimony to this truth and an inspiration for it.

Cherish the metaphors used to describe our friend. Jesus is the Morning Star with the lovely light that shines for all nations to see. Jesus is my Bridegroom, my King, my prince, the one who fills all places with the blessings of heaven. Yes, the star of my life is Jesus!

He loves you as a true best friend. Even before the first light of creation, he chose each of us to be his best friend. Think of the promises he made that are referenced in this hymn: •

- I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit. (John 15:5)
- I am always with you. (Matthew 28:20)
- Because I live, you also will live. (John 14:19)
- No one can snatch you out of my hand. (John 10:28)
- Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. (Revelation 1:17)

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.

He is a faithful friend and will keep those promises to you, along with every promise that he has ever made. Even when we are not faithful, he remains faithful to his promises because he cannot deny himself (2 Timothy 2:13).

This is all more than lovely; it is true! Jesus is your best friend forever.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, help me be the kind of friend that you are to me. Amen.

Welcome Back! Besides a New Year, What Else is New at Trinity?

We welcome you all back from Christmas break and pray that God blesses us all in the new year that has now begun.

You may notice a few new faces as we begin the new year. We welcome three new students into our 3 & 4 classroom: Welcome Austin, Cole, and Elsa! We are excited to have you join us as part of the TLS family!

Also, We pray that God blesses Mrs. Jessica Krueger as she awaits the arrival of her new baby boy. (We will keep you updated ;) Mrs. Stacey Heldman will be stitching from her aide position in preschool and pre-kindergarten to a lead teacher role. Mrs. Kay Boehm and Mrs. Julia Lisanti will be serving us as aides.

Speech Services: We are excited to announce that Mrs. Luann Wilford has agreed to come back and provide some speech services to our students. The teachers will be working with Mrs. Willford to determine which students will benefit from this extra help. Parents: Watch for information about possible screenings and permissions to come home soon. Not all students will need these speech services - if you have questions, contact Principal Falck or your Child's teacher.

NO SCHOOL DAYS IN JANUARY -

Please be aware of several days there will not be school this month:

- Monday, January 20 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Tuesday, January 21 - Teacher Professional Development at St. Paul's Columbus
- Friday, January 31 - MLS Basketball Tournament ,Saginaw, MI

As always, we will watch the weather and make any delay or cancellation announcements in keeping with the safety of our students and staff. Watch WFIN for delay information AND keep up with the information by using the Remind app!

Cold Weather!

Parents: Please make sure your child is properly outfitted for the colder and possibly snowier days ahead. All students should have winter coats, hats, and gloves at school every day over the next couple months. If (and when) there is snow, students should have boots to change into. If they want to play in the snow, they should have snow pants, too. Thanks for your help in making sure the children are prepared for whatever weather is thrown at us this season!

Bus Updates -

1. We are happy to have both buses running again. Please remember to communicate ride changes (pick-up or drop-off) with the driver as soon as you are able. Texting works well - the driver contact information is on the bus schedule: [January 2025 TLS Bus Schedule](#)
2. If the bus route has started, the driver CAN NOT receive texts or phone calls. Contact the school office with any information you want to share with the driver and we can communicate with them.
3. If for some reason only one bus will be running on a day (illness, maintenance issues, etc.) we will communicate as soon as possible the issue and look to create an alternate route plan. Thanks in advance for your flexibility and understanding!

Tiger Sports -

Basketball practices resume this week on Monday & Wednesday from 3:30-5:00 PM.

Cheerleading practices are being held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30-4:30.

The HCA Tip-Off tournament will be held THIS Saturday, January 11 with the tipoff time of game one set for 12:00 PM and the second game at 2:00 PM. The coaches will communicate arrival times with the players this week. Next Saturday, January 18, the B & C -teams play at St. John's Westland with game one scheduled to begin at 10:00 AM.

Hymn of the Week

The new hymn being introduced this week is: "How Lovely Shines the Morning Star" CW 370. Remember to check your classroom notes for the verses your class may be responsible for.

1. How lovely shines the Morning Star! The nations see and hail afar the light in Judah shining.
O David's son of Jacob's race, my Bridegroom and my King of grace, for you my heart is pining.
Lowly, holy, great and glorious, O victorious Prince of graces, filling all the heav'nly places.
2. O highest joy by mortals won, true Son of God and Mary's son, the highborn King of ages!
In your blest body let me be, e'en as the branch is in the tree, your life my life supplying.
Sighing, crying for the savor of your favor, resting never till I rest in you forever.
4. Oh, joy to know that you, my friend, are Lord, beginning without end, the first and last, eternal!
And you at length—O glorious grace—will take me to that holy place, the home of joys supernal.
Amen, amen! Come and meet me, quickly greet me! With deep yearning, Lord, I look for your returning.

Piano Lessons

Piano lessons resume this week - There may have been a few tweaks to the schedule. Click this link for the new schedule: [Semester 2 Piano Lessons - 2024-2025](#)

We want to also say: *"Great job, piano students, for playing the preservice for our Christmas Eve services!"*

Weekly Chapel Services

Everyone is always welcome to join us for our all-school, weekly chapel services every Wednesday during the school year. The services begin at about 8:20 and usually take about 20 minutes. What a great way to be fed with God's Word and worship with our students. (The services are held in the church unless there is inclement weather. If it is super cold or too rainy, we will meet in the gym.)



[GradeLink \(Grades K-8\) -](#)

Remember to logon for your grade 1-8 students and follow his or her progress throughout the year. If you need to reset your login information, please contact the office.

[Brightwheel \(Preschool and Prekindergarten\) -](#)

If you have any questions about Brightwheel, please contact the office. Brightwheel is a convenient way to make payments for your tuition. We will, however, still accept payments (check or cash) in the office. Online payments do have a small convenience fee added by Brightwheel, and paying in person can avoid this fee.



Delays and Cancellations

Please remember that as a general rule we tend to follow delays and cancellations that are called by the Cory Rawson School District. Once a decision has been made, we will post information on our Facebook page, through the Remind App, and on [WFIN](#). Our decision is made in consultation with our bus drivers and through active observations with spotters in the area. It is our goal to make any announcement regarding cancellation or delay by 6:15 AM. Parents are reminded that it is impossible for us to know the road conditions everywhere. If there is ever a time we do not cancel or delay and you feel it is not safe to travel, please contact the school to let us know you will be delayed or not coming in.

Remind App

Please make sure you have signed up for this communication tool. Especially when we have delays or cancellations, it is the easiest and quickest way for us to get the word out. Contact the office if you need help accessing the program.

<i>TLS Lunch Menu</i>	
Corn Dog	\$.50
Chicken Quesadilla	\$1.50
Bagel Bites	4/\$1
Chicken Sand.	\$2.50
Philly Cheesesteak	\$2.00
Cheeseburger	\$2.00
Pizza Rolls	6/\$1
Ham & Cheese HP	\$1.00

- **Milk is still 35 cents for those who do not get daily milk. For those who get daily milk this year, students will be picking chocolate or white for a month at a time to help with milk waste.**