



We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. - Hebrews 6:19

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### THIS WEEK AT TRINITY:

MON Faculty Meeting 3:30; Volleyball Practice 3:30-5pm  
TUE NO SCHOOL  
WED NO SCHOOL; Mornings with Mommy Field Trip to Riverbend Park for Fall Hike 10:00am  
THU NO SCHOOL  
FRI NO SCHOOL

### The Real Hero of the Story

*This week's devotion is based on Romans 9:15,16: For he says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion." It does not, therefore, depend on human desire or effort, but on God's mercy.*

The devotion comes from [www.wels.net](http://www.wels.net) - the "Family Devotions" series.

Superhero movies have dominated the box offices for the last few decades. People love heroes and what they can do. They love to see an underdog win the victory. Kids love to put on the capes and masks of their favorite hero and pretend that they are the hero themselves.

What about the story of God's salvation? Who is the hero? Or to put it another way, why are some saved and others not? Today's Bible reading tackles that tough question.

The apostle Paul answers that question by going back in history and telling a story. God chose Jacob, the younger brother, instead of Esau to be a key person in the story. What is surprising is that Jacob was not the respectable one of the two brothers. He fooled his father and stole from his brother. Then he ran away.

Years later, Jacob returned home, but he was afraid that Esau would still hold a grudge against him. How shocked he must have been when "Esau ran to meet him and embraced him; threw his arms around his neck and kissed him." (Genesis 33:4). Esau was the one wronged, but he acted right while Jacob so often was not. Yet Paul reminds us God says, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated." Wait, what? How could God love Jacob after all of the wrong things he'd done? Isn't that unfair to Esau? When God says hate and love, he's telling you something about himself. But why should God be merciful to Jacob? To you? To anyone? God had to choose which brother would play an important part in his story to save the world. God chose Jacob. Not because Jacob was better, but because God wanted it that way.

### 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.*

It's the story of us. Jacob represents us. God did not choose to love you because somehow you are so much better than everyone else in your family. "It doesn't depend on your effort, but on God's mercy." God despised Jesus on the cross because he wanted to show love to you. And God has had mercy on the whole world through Jesus! While people like to make themselves the hero of the story, Jesus is the hero. Yet the way God gives us salvation is by despising that hero to give us, the underserving, his mercy and forgiveness.

#### **Closing Prayer:**

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!" (1 John 3:1). Thank you for that love and mercy, Lord, that you have given us. I know it's not because of me, but through the work of Jesus and faith in him. Amen.  
contact with. Help us to recognize and seize the opportunities you give us to offer the peace of forgiveness to a dying world. Amen.

#### **NO SCHOOL - Teachers' Conference**

As a reminder, there is NO SCHOOL THIS WEEK Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (October 4-6). The teachers will be attending a conference in Michigan with over 100 fellow Lutheran teachers. Have a good, restful long weekend and we will see you all on Monday when classes resume.

#### **Bussing -**

The new bus routes started today. Please be patient as both drivers adjust to the new schedules. Remember that if your child will not be riding, it is best to contact the driver as soon as possible. Once they begin their routes (around 6:45) they are not allowed to check texts or receive phone calls. If it is after this time, contact the school and we can get a hold of them through the bus radios.

#### **Piano Lessons - SHORT WEEK SCHEDULE**

Tuesday students will have lessons this week as scheduled. Friday students will have their lessons NEXT Monday AND Friday.

#### **Thank You for Singing -**

Warren Pratt expresses his great thanks for the children singing for his wife's funeral last week. What a privilege we have to share gospel comfort in song!

#### **GradeLink -**

Do you need any help accessing your Gradelink portal? Contact Principal Falck and he can help. Need new login information? That's a Principal Falck thing, too! 😊

#### **Delays and Cancellations**

Ah, the fog of Fall in Ohio. As we have seen once again, the fog is difficult to predict. Most districts (including Cory-Rawson and Arlington) strive to make delay and cancellation announcements by 6:30. This past week, it seemed like the fog would roll in just after that. This makes it difficult to guess how thick it might become. Please remember: If the conditions where you are make you feel it is not safe to drive, contact the school to let us know.

#### **EdChoice Reminders**

- **Attendance:** If your child is absent for any reason, you will receive an excuse form to fill out. Please fill it out, marking the reason for the absence from the provided list, and return it to the school office. Please note that a student with an excessive amount of unexcused absences would lose the scholarship award.
- **Keep Checking:** Continue to monitor your application if you have not received a scholarship award letter in the mail. The state continues to work through the applications in the order they were received. Overall, the program has seen a 43% increase in participation since July!

### **Tiger Sports -**

The soccer season is in the books. The Tigers traveled to Hope Christian Academy on Saturday. In game 1, the Tigers played well but came up short, falling to St. Stephen 2-0. Game 2 saw the Tigers come out victorious, notching a 2-0 final. This victory over Zion, Monroe moved us into the consolation championship game vs. St. Paul's, Livonia. After playing hard to a scoreless halftime, the Tigers ran out of gas and fell 5-0. Thank you to our coaches this year: George Norway and Jeremy Glick, and Owen Achey for his assistance.

### **Volleyball -**

The first practice for the season is today! There will be no other practices this week. Next week practice will be held on Monday and Wednesday. Also, please let Coach Achey know if you plan to have your child participate in the extra, not required, skills practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

### **Concession Help Needed -**

On Saturday, October 21, we host volleyball matches. We could use some help in the concession stand especially between matches when there is more of a rush. If you are able and willing to help out, please contact Mr. Falck.

**TRUNK OR TREAT** is scheduled for Tuesday, October 31 from 5:30-7:30 PM. Plan to bring your children for trick-or-treating in the church parking lot, along with hayrides from 5:30-6:30. Food will be available for purchase. Indoor activities include pumpkin decorating, games, cookie decorating, crafts, and sensory bins. You can also vote for your favorite trunk. If you would like to bring your vehicle and hand out candy, please email Jenny Boehm - [mwmtrinity@tlcjenera.org](mailto:mwmtrinity@tlcjenera.org). Decorations are encouraged but not required!

### **Picture Day Photos -**

Photos are ready for ordering! We will be having a make-up day next Wednesday, October 11th for anyone who missed out on getting their picture taken. We will also be taking the 1st & 2nd Grade group photo, the 3rd & 4th Grade group photo, and the Prekindergarten group photo on that day. Below are instructions for ordering online if you need them, photos will be delivered to the school and then sent home.

**WHEN ORDERING ONLINE, USE COUPON CODE: **FREESHIP** TO TAKE SHIPPING COSTS OFF OF YOUR ORDER.**

**Website:** <https://meganparkinsphotography.pixieset.com/trinitylutherschool/>

**Password:** **tlS2023**

**QR Code for Website:**



### ***TLS Lunch Menu***

Corn Dog	\$.50
Cheeseburger	\$2.00
Ham & Cheese Hot Pocket	\$1.00
Pizza Bagel Bites	4/\$1
Pizza Rolls	6/\$1
Chicken Sandwich	\$2.50

- **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.**

### **Hymn of the Week**

With the short week, there is no new hymn being assigned this week. The students should still be working on "Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying". Always remember to check your classroom note for the specific verses due!

1. Hark, the voice of Jesus crying, "Who will go and work today?  
Fields are ripe and harvests waiting; who will bear the sheaves away?"  
Loud and long the Master calleth; rich reward he offers thee.  
Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me"?
2. If you cannot speak like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,  
you can tell the love of Jesus, you can say he died for all.  
If you cannot rouse the wicked with the judgment's dread alarms,  
you can lead the little children to the Savior's waiting arms.
3. If you cannot be a watchman, standing high on Zion's wall,  
pointing out the path to heaven, off'ring life and peace to all,  
with your prayers and with your off'rings you can do what God demands;  
you can be like faithful Aaron, holding up the prophet's hands.
4. Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do,"  
while the multitudes are dying, and the Master calls for you.  
Take the task he gives you gladly, let his work your pleasure be;  
answer quickly when he calleth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"