

Trinity Lutheran School will be closed until January 4, 2021.

On Wednesday, December 16, we learned that a staff/faculty member of Trinity Lutheran School had tested positive for COVID-19.

In an effort to keep your school children safe and because of limited time for preparation and education for the rest of the calendar year:

- Trinity Lutheran School will cancel all school activities, including all extra-curricular activities, starting on December 17th, and
- We will resume school and all activities, as scheduled, on January 4, 2021.
- We are planning on in-person instruction on January 4, 2021.

We will continue to keep you posted about any changes to this plan through email, our website, our Trinity Lutheran School Facebook page and the Remind app.

We will notify everyone who may have had direct contact with the staff/faculty member. If you have not received any extra notification, you do not need to do anything extra at this moment.

If you should develop symptoms of COVID-19, you should contact your physician immediately. If you do not have a primary care physician, you should contact the Hancock County Public Health Department at 419-424-7105 for more information on how to get tested. **Only those experiencing symptoms of the virus should seek testing or medical attention.** You do not need to get a test if you have no symptoms. This may lead to a false negative test.

We have taken steps to adjust the recording schedule for our Christmas Eve worship service. Teachers will communicate with their students and parents their plans for the Christmas parties that were scheduled for next week. We will also suspend collection for the faculty and bus driver Christmas presents until January 4th. We will let you know the new deadline at the beginning of next year.

We appreciate your prayers for the health of the Trinity's staff, faculty, and students at this time. Out of respect for our faculty/staff member's privacy, we would ask that you contact me directly with any questions or concerns at pastormattn@gmail.com.

While this is not what was planned for the start of our Christmas vacation, we thank God that we have had as much time that the Lord gave us for in-person instruction. We know that the Lord will be with us as we celebrate the awesome miracle of Christ's birth. We look forward to continuing teaching your children about the wonderful blessings that God has given in all parts of our lives in the New Year.

In Christ, Pastor Matt Nowak