

Trinity Christian School

News

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Christmas

Programs:

December 17th,
2009 @ 6:00
(Tues./Thurs.) and
6:45 p.m. (MWF)

December 18th
Elementary @
7:00 p.m.

Christmas Break:
December 21st-
January 3rd, 2010!



**"Dream, Inspire, and
Learn with God's Grace"**

School Administrator's Corner

By: Mrs. Nichole Laven

Trinity Christian School is the happening place to be this holiday season! The children and staff have been working extremely hard on classroom projects and program rehearsals preparing for the birth of Jesus! As the students and staff members continue working like little angels this holiday season, so have many of the parents and School Board Members. Many parents have been helping prepare projects from home or helping out in the classrooms during the past couple of months! It is so nice to see people fulfilling their stewardship hours with a variety of different opportunities that assist the children in receiving more

educational opportunities. If you are still looking for opportunities to complete these hours, please contact our Stewardship Coordinator, Jessi Guerin at: jguerin@trinitynorthbranch.org. Also, a stewardship letter with your hours completed and required is attached to your tuition statement. She will be able to assist you with many options for completion of these hours from maintenance projects like shoveling playground rock or staining our play set to classroom and at home options.

Rejoicing in the stewardship support also reminds us to recognize the angels who appear to us in many different ways. Angels model for children

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Early Childhood Coordinator's Corner

By: Mary Grote

Seasons Greetings!

Thank you to all that donated to our Family Pathways toy and candy drive and also to our Thankful for Our Troops drive, both were a great success!

Classes are busy this month celebrating the reason for the season! Pre-Kindergarten classes (Mrs. Sheila Bauer's classes and Mrs. Mary Grote's classes) will be having a Christmas program showcasing the skills they have been working on in Music class. The program is held in the Trinity Lutheran

Church on Thursday, December 17th. Tu/Th AM classes are scheduled for 6:00 PM. MWF AM & PM classes are scheduled for 6:45 PM. All are welcome to attend this event; however, please keep in mind that doors will open for the program no more than 15 minutes in advance, due to multiple programs. Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following each program. Preschool students in the 3 and 4 year old classes (Mrs. Kristin Mayne's classes) have a cookie decorating party scheduled! This annual and yummy event is held during your student's

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Parent Project Team Members:

Chair: OPEN

Technology: Kim Jacobson

Recorder: Hallie Jones

Stewardship Coordinator: Jessi Guerin

Lunch Duty Recess Coordinators:
George Mix
Hallie Jones

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
NEXT PPT MEETING
DECEMBER 11th
AT 9 ☺**

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the ways to be safe by using the front door of the school, walking their child into school, or driving slowly through the parking lot, while other angels appear to model caring in a variety of other ways. For example, teachers are truly angels in its most beautiful form, working with children and teaching them the true meaning of Christmas is the best gift anyone could share with a child. The staff of Trinity Christian School will continue to do their very best to be the angels God has called them to be. Working, teaching, and helping each child grow is the best gift!

With priceless gifts of children, staff, and families who celebrate the holidays at Trinity Christian School, people often model giving through financial means and consider certain programs during the holiday season as it also marks the end to the calendar year. As many of you received a letter from our School Board regarding Community Christmas Gifts, we are aware that some of you may be able to assist us financially at this time of year. As we continue on throughout the school year and into the New Year, we embrace and are extremely grateful for even being an organization under your consideration.

Occasionally, at the end of each year, Trinity Christian School will receive an end of the year financial gifts from

persons either associated with Trinity Lutheran Church and/or Trinity Christian School and are uncertain as to how to gift. The organization Thrivent Financial for Lutherans has a "Simply Giving Program" which will match many contributions made by those that own a Thrivent product to non-profit organizations prior to January 2010. For every dollar donated, they will match \$0.50. If you would like more information, please visit www.thrivent.com or you can also visit the school office for a "Simply Giving". Form or send a gift directly to the office. For 2010, Thrivent is reorganizing its program; therefore, after the first of January, the "Simply Giving" will not be available.

Joyous opportunities come from being together and joining in Christian Education for all students. From a donation we have received, there were three families with significant needs whose Christmas wish of a small scholarship has come true. So, thank you very much for considering gifting Trinity with a monetary contribution this holiday season. Thanks for making the Trinity Community a better place where families and children can continue to enrich their faith and heart with the Lord!

***May your days be merry and bright
this holiday season!***

Stewardship Coordinator and Librarian

By: Jessi Guerin

I want to thank all of our wonderful volunteers who have helped make this a wonderful place for our children. We really can not do it without you! We have had a wonderful response to our Stewardship program. As of the end of November we have put in over 943 hours, totaling \$7544! This helps us maintain lower tuition and still keep some programs running in our school that may otherwise have to be cut.

Please remember to sign in and out so you can get credit for your stewardship hours. If you do not, we have no way of tracking them. If you can not get in to the office to write down things that you are doing at home, please email me as soon as you complete your task. Please remember that we ask that you have 1/2 your stewardship hours fulfilled by January 15th.

If you are looking for some

Office Manager's Report

By: Mrs. Julie Morgan

Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen.
~Author unknown, attributed to a 7-year-old named Bobby

This is a busy season at Trinity! Practicing for our Christmas programs, decorating cookies, and celebrating Jesus birthday fill December! Some dates to put on the calendar:

December 10 – 5th month tuition due
December 16, 17 – Preschool 3 year old cookie decorating
December 17 – Preschool Christmas Program – Pre K classes
****T/TH classes @ 6:00 pm, MWF classes @ 6:45 pm****
December 18 – Elementary Christmas Program 7:00 pm
December 19 – Date Night 5:00 – 10:00 PM
December 21 – January 3 – Christmas Break
January 4 – Classes resume for all students
January 10 – 6th month tuition due
January 18 – No school for all students – preschool conferences
January 19 – No preschool – preschool conferences
January 25 – Elementary 10/11 registration begins for current families 8:00 am
February 1 – Preschool registration and open enrollment for elementary 8:00 am

The school office will be closed December 21st through January 3rd.

Christmas Worship at Trinity:

Christmas Eve – December 24 – worship at 2:30, 4:00, 5:30 and 11:00 p.m.

Candlelight Communion Services at 5:30 & 11:00 p.m.

December 27 & January 3: Worship at 8:00 & 9:45

A lot of us listen to Christmas music this time of year. If you would like to listen to Christian music all year round, some local stations are KTIS 98.5, WLKX 95.9, and KLOVE 90.3 North Branch, KLOVE 90.7 Minneapolis, and KLOVE 900 AM.

2010/2011 registration for elementary grades for our current families will begin at 8:00 am on January 25. Registration for preschool and open enrollment for elementary grades will begin at 8:00 am on February 1. Registration forms will be sent home with all current students prior to that date. Friends that would like to receive a registration form in the mail can call 674-7042 or e-mail jmorgan@trinitynorthbranch.org to be added to our mailing list.

A note regarding your stewardship hours needed was attached to your December statement. Please take note of remaining hours due, and check with us if you have questions.

I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger. ~ [Luke 2:10-12](#)

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

Trinity Christian School Wish List

Copy Paper
(Pink and White)
Cd player
Mini Wooden Table
Ice Cream Buckets with
Lids
Transparencies for copiers
Disinfectant Wipes
Kleenex
Paper Towels
Blank Rewritable cds
Soft slip covers for cds
Globes
Cross/Pumpkin Die Cuts
SD Cards for Camera
Label maker and tape
Preschool Music
Children's cds
Batteries size "C"
Stickers for Valentine's Day and Winter
Crayola Washable Thin Markers
Elmer's Glue Bottles
Tempera Paint
(Large jugs)



**A Special Thank
You...**

**Sinn Family
Bigley Family
Vincent Zaffke
Heidi Schulte
Dolly Bigley
Amanda Goulet
JoEllen Abler
Kristi White
Cheri Hudella
Mary Johnson
Erin Judson
Caroline Anderson
Kim Nelson
Jenni Zahurones
Joel McPherson
Kelly Anderson
Karen Bovitz
Sean Whelan**

***All Who Donated
Items to Thankful for
Our Troops***

Early Childhood Coordinator's Corner

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regular class time on either Wednesday, December 16th or Thursday, December 17th. Students and their families in Mrs. Kristin's classes are welcome to attend.

Looking ahead to January, Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for January 18th and 19th, please see your child's classroom teacher for your scheduled time. Conferences will last about 15 minutes each and will include your child's assessment testing results.

Also held in January is the annual Taste of Trinity. Taste of Trinity is an excellent opportunity for your Pre-Kindergarten student to experience one hour in a Kindergarten class. During this hour, parents are welcome to attend an informational session to learn more about class options, program goals, busing and lunch options, uniform requirements and tuition. Sign-up forms and more details will soon be available in the school office.

Please remember there is no school

on:

December 21st thru January 3rd –
Christmas Break
January 18th – Teacher Workshop Day
January 19th – Preschool Conferences

Additional dates to remember:

January 25th – Registration for
Elementary grades for current families
February 1st – Registration for Preschool
& Pre-Kindergarten, Open Enrollment

**Have a wonderful Christmas holiday
and a blessed New Year!**

hours, please check the PPT board for sign ups. We are looking for people to help serve cake at the Preschool and Elementary programs and taking down Christmas Trees and decorations after Christmas. Also, you could ask your child's teacher if they are in need of any help for their classroom Christmas celebrations. Also, we have a PPT meeting coming up on Friday Dec.11th at 9 am in the Fireside room. Attending PPT meetings does earn Stewardship hours.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding your stewardship hours. I am in the office on Tuesday mornings and all day Thursdays. I can also be reached at 651-674-7042 or my e-mail address is:
jguerin@trinitynorthbranch.org.

**Have a very Merry
Christmas and I wish you a
wonderful New Year!**

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My name is Tim Olson. I am the current Chair of the School Board. I have been a School Board member for 8 plus years. I first started on the Preschool Board when my kids were attending Trinity Preschool. When the school merged, Preschool and Elementary, the two boards also merged. I stayed on to assure all students have the same opportunity for an excellent Christian Education. Often times you will see me participating and volunteering at the variety of school events and fundraisers, like the Christmas Programs, Pancake Feed, and Spaghetti Dinner/Silent Auction/Bake Sale.

I am married to my wife Missie for 15 years and we have two children, Mitchell and Rachel, and we are members of Trinity. I am currently employed with the North Branch Police Dept. In my spare time I enjoy hunting, fishing, coaching, watching and playing sports and spending time with my family.

If you are interested in becoming a School Board Member, know of someone who would be a good School Board representative for Trinity Christian School or have comments or suggestions, please feel free to contact the school office or e-mail me at tolson@trinitynorthbranch.org.

Many Holiday Wishes,
Tim Olson