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"In All Things" Colossians 1:15-20

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Bible Classes (throughout the week)

Trinity Lutheran School 3-K thru 8th grade 2 Year Old Childcare

From the Pastors

Making Known the Love of Christ In All Things

"[Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross" (Colossians 1:15-20 ESV).

Dear Brothers and Sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ,

The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church along with our school and childcare program is "Making Known the Love of Christ." Every year we highlight a particular aspect of our mission. This year's theme is "In All Things" based on the passage above. This theme will also be the focus of our Midweek Chapel Services during the school year. Peter H. Nafzger notes that "In All Things' is a reminder that the Christian story encompasses all things. Nothing, and no one, is left out. Christ is all things to the apostle Paul and in his inspired writing to the church at Colossae. Christ is the source of all life and the goal of all creation. He is the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Sustainer of all things."

The situation of the church in Colossae was that they had lost their way, forgetting the place that Christ held in their life. Paul, while not able to be there in person, sent his word to exhort and encourage them in their faith according to the Lordship of Jesus Christ over all creation. Paul's message to the church resonates true even today; Christ is above all things and in Him, all things hold together. We too run the consistent risk of allowing other things in our life to masquerade in the place of God, treating things as gods and God as a thing, instead of who He is, the source of all things. As Paul wrote to the Romans regarding Jesus, "From Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever" (Romans 11:36).

As summer gives way to fall and we begin a new school year, it is important to understand that in Jesus, "we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28). His is the word that created us, and His is the word that delivers the forgiveness, life, and peace He won for us at the cross. It's why every day we meditate on His word in our devotions and prayers and every Lord's Day we gather together in His name to receive His gifts. So, "let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God" (Colossians 3:16 ESV). "There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12 ESV).

In Christ,

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Rev. Timothy J. Mech Senior Pastor The M. Buy

Rev. John M. Berg Associate Pastor



August Calendar

Sundays: Weekly

* Divine Services 8:00 & 10:45 am

Mondays: Weekly

* Divine Service 6:30 pm

Fridays: Weekly

Men's Bible Study 7:00 am (FH)

Monday, August 9

- * Trinity Teachers Return
- * Stephen Ministry 5:00 pm (FH)

Wednesday, August 18

* Trinity Back to School Night Supply Dropoff

Monday, August 23

- * First Day of School (11:30 am dismissal)
- * Stephen Ministry 5:00 pm (FH)

Sunday, August 29 - Church Family Picnic

- * Divine Service 10:00 am (Kiwanis Park)
- * Food & Activities to follow



NEW SEXTON AT THE LUTHERAN CEMETERY! Our cemetery has a new Sexton, Jessica Biever! Planning your burial now relieves some of the future stress of your loved ones having to make arrangements when the time eventually does come. If you would like to make an appointment with Jessica, please contact her by phone or email (office.sextonlc@gmail.com or 920-

452-6507). Make sure to like us on Facebook!



TRINITY'S MIXED CHOIR will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, August 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the music room. High school, college, and adult singers are welcome!

TRINITY'S MENS CHOIR will begin rehearsal on Wednesday, September 8th at 5:45 p.m. in the music room.

If you are interested in joining choir this year, please email or call Sam Eatherton at 469-435-1000 or seatherton@trinitysheboygan.org.

Trinity Back to School Night Supply Drop-off!

Wednesday, August 18

(watch future parent information for details)



LWML News



All women of Trinity are welcome to join us for Bible study and fellowship on Monday, Sept 13, at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Our Principal, Jenna Roeske, will be our speaker.

The 39th Biennial LWML Convention met in Lexington KY June 24-27, 2021 with 3,000 in attendance. The voting assembly adopted a \$2,150,000 mission goal for the 2021-2023 biennium. By the grace of God, this goal will fund 28 mission grants as we respond in prayer and mite offerings. Of the mite offerings given to the Trinity LWML group, 25% is used toward the national LWML's mission goal. The remaining 75% supports our LWML SWD (South Wisconsin District) biennial mission goal of \$205,000 (2020-2022). Trinity LWML is so thankful for those in our congregation who participate in collecting mites with us. Please check the LWML bulletin board for more mission grant information and also news on upcoming LWML events. You can also help your self to a Mite Box or read a Newsletter from one of the LCMS missionaries supported through LWML.



Why go to Sunday School or Sunday Bible Class?

Maybe we should begin by discussing why we go to church. In the Old Testament, God commanded that we

"Remember the Sabbath Day by keeping it Holy." Ever since Christ's resurrection, Christians have been setting apart Sunday as a special day of the week to gather for worship. Hebrews 10:25 says, "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another." When we gather for worship, God comes to us through His Word and Sacraments. We have the opportunity to receive the forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternal life. We also learn about God's plan for our salvation and His directions for Christian living. We gather with other believers and support each other through our prayers and concerns for each other. With all of these gifts and blessings available each week, who wouldn't want to be at church each Sunday?

Having established the many blessings and benefits that worship affords us, we can now discuss the importance of Sunday School. The whole people of God, from infants to the elderly, gather together for worship each Sunday in the Divine Service. Sunday School and Bible Class are opportunities for each of us to learn about God's Word in an age-appropriate manner. The Divine Service is for everyone together, Sunday School is for each age level separately. At Trinity, we have classes designed to teach everyone from 3 years to adults. In these classes, we learn more about our faith, more about the blessings that God has given us, more about God's plan for salvation, and more about how to share this Good News with others. With all of these gifts and blessings available each week, who wouldn't want to be at church AND Sunday School each Sunday?

Sunday School and Bible Classes for all ages will begin on September 12th. Please make plans to attend.

From the Principal

"In All Things" Colossians 1:15-20



It is hard to believe that the end of summer is already upon us! At Trinity Lutheran School and Childcare, we are eagerly anticipating the return of students and families to our building so that we can continue our mission of "Making Known the Love of Christ." The theme for our school year mirrors the LCMS theme of "In All Things," which is derived from Colossians 1:15-20. As a staff, we selected the following key verses to inspire our instruction this year: "[Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of

all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth...And he is before all things, and in him, all things hold together." We are excited to use this fitting theme about our omnipotent God alongside hundreds of Lutheran schools across the nation because "Lutheran schools are always about Christ and His cross...Lutheran schools are increasingly diverse in student and family demographics. Lutheran schools welcome students of various religious backgrounds and even those with no prior contact with Christ. Lutheran schools bring the Good news of Jesus to every student in all things" (Rev. Bob Riggert). Lutheran schools exist to bring Christ to every student without discrimination.

Our schools are uniquely positioned to share a radical message with students: God, the creator and perfecter of all things, loves them eternally despite their sinful condition. Yes, we will tell our students over and over again that they are little sinners and so are we teachers. We will not sugarcoat sin or dismiss it so that students feel better about themselves; rather, we will teach them to face the brutal realities of their sin. We won't stop there, however! We will also fill them to the brim with the Gospel message that our Lord sent Jesus Christ to deliver the antidote

to our sin-sick world. We have the assurance of forgiveness and eternal life. What incredible peace it gives us to know that our Lord holds the whole world in His hands; he controls all things. This message of peace is what our students receive every day at Trinity. May God bless our ministry this upcoming school year!

We are also thrilled to share other exciting news for this fall! Trinity welcomes our new 4th-grade teacher, Ms. Isabel Powers! Ms. Powers served as a Language Arts teacher at St. Adalbert Middle School in Milwaukee this past year. A graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Ms. Powers majored in Elementary Education with an emphasis in Language Arts. She describes herself as a compassionate, creative, and flexible teacher who is particularly known for assessing students' learning needs and using a variety of learning tools to improve literacy. Outside of school, Ms. Powers enjoys baking, gardening, roller skating, and painting. She is a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Whitefish Bay and cannot wait to join our Trinity family here!

Jenna Roeske, Principal



Please join us!

Trinity Church & School Family Picnic

Our 2021 Trinity Church Picnic will begin immediately after church service at Kiwanis Park on Sunday, August 29th.

Brats, hamburgers, sides and beverages available for free will donation.



Bake/Dessert Sale to benefit one of our school organizations.

Games and fun included!

If you would like to be involved, please contact Joe or Heather Leibham



Upcoming School Activities



Aug. 23 - First Day of School

Sept. 17 - Open House





Oct. 8 - Grandparents Day

Oct. 8 - Walk/Fun Run



Trinity School Begins!!!

Monday, August 23, 2021!



Save the date...

Trinity Church & School Family Picnic Sunday, August 29, 2021

Kiwanis Park 10:00 am Divine Service

Food, Fellowship & Fun to follow!



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For more happenings at Trinity and updated calendar information, go to www.trinitysheboygan.org