

## **Trinity Christian School**

Growing His kingdom... one student at a time

# Son Times

October 14, 2021

"But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31 (NIV)

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO TRINITY'S STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Trinity's September Students of the Month! These students were chosen by their grade-level teachers, specials teachers and administration for their notable excellence in academic performance, character, behavior, effort, social relationships and attendance.

Kindergarten - Michael C. 1st Grade - Zion F. 2nd Grade - Riven D. 3rd Grade - Sean S. 4th Grade - Holly H. 5th Grade - Peyton F. 6th Grade - Enza C. 7th Grade - Anna T. 8th Grade - Symone H.



In this program at Trinity Christian School, a student selected from each grade level is recognized once a month in the newsletter, at the following chapel, and on Facebook. Students will be awarded a Student of the Month certificate and a sign for their yards, as seen in the graphic included here. Congratulations to September's Students of the Month!

#### **TRINITY WELCOMES TWO NEW TEACHERS**

We are excited to introduce two new teachers to the Trinity Christian family!



**Mrs. Vicki Thompson** started last week as our new Spanish teacher. She comes to us with several years of experience teaching Spanish. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology and Spanish. She currently serves as the Junior and Senior High Program Director at The Learning Vine, where she teaches and oversees the enrichment program for students in preschool through

See Teachers, p.3

#### VOLUNTEER FOR THIS WEEKEND'S TOURNAMENT

Trinity Christian School is hosting the ICC volleyball and soccer tournament, Oct. 15-16. There is a lot of activity involved in supporting this tournament and the demand for volunteers is great! We still have some areas that need attention. Can you please help? This is a great weekend opportunity for volunteer hours. Please contact Mr. V at 815-577-9310, ext. 51, or email jvugteveen@trinitychristian.info. Thank you!



## HOT LUNCH ORDERING CLOSES TODAY

Order November hot lunch through Oct. 14. The menu is available online. All orders must be placed and paid for by Oct. 14 at 11:59 p.m. <u>Please note the return of some favorites to</u> <u>the menu this month!</u> You can find information about the hot lunch program at our website: <u>www.trinitychristian.info/parents/hot-lunch-ordering</u>. And remember, we are offering a special lunch for students, Nov. 19, as we celebrate Thanksgiving together as a Trinity family (students and staff). The Thanksgiving meal <u>must</u> be ordered online as well.

#### Kindergarten - 8th Grade Calendar: Oct. 14-22

Oct. 15 Soccer and Girls' Volleyball ICC Tournament at TCS

Oct. 16 Soccer and Girls' Volleyball ICC Tournament at TCS

> Oct. 19 Board Meeting

**Oct. 20** Chapel 8:35 a.m.

Oct. 22 \$1 Dress-Down Day End of First Quarter

#### Important Dates:

October 28 and 29 Parent/Teacher Conferences

**November 12** Grandparents' Day

#### THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON ORDERS DUE <u>TODAY</u>

It is once again time to start planning for our Thanksgiving Luncheon! This is a time when all the students and staff enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving meal.

If you wish to purchase a traditional Thanksgiving meal for your student for the Thanksgiving Luncheon, you need to order it



with the November hot lunch order <u>online</u>, which is open <u>now through Oct. 14.</u> There is a menu choice of ham or turkey. An extra slice of meat is available at an additional cost. The rest of the menu is mashed potatoes, gravy, corn and rolls. PTM will still make donations to the feast, as well as ask families to donate. Sign-up sheets will be located on the PTM bulletin board. Families are not required to order a meal for students. Those who do not purchase a ham or turkey lunch may bring a sack lunch and will be able to partake in dessert with everyone.

## HOT LUNCH IMPORTANT UPDATE

Hot lunch is **cancelled Monday**, **Oct. 18; Tuesday**, **Oct.. 19; and Thursday**, **Oct. 21** due to our hot lunch provider unexpectedly being out of town. Please make note of these dates and if you ordered hot lunch, please send your child(ren) with a sack lunch. A credit will be issued to all families that ordered lunch on those dates, to be used for future hot lunch orders. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

#### **RAISE A LITTLE DOUGH AT CHIPOTLE**

Join PTM, Oct. 27, for dinner at the Chipotle on Plainfield Rd. in Joliet. Show the

attached flyer when ordering in person or use the following online code: **TTGXVMN**, and 33% of the proceeds will be given back to Trinity! Check out and use the flier on p. 6 of this newsletter. PTM appreciates your support!

#### **GRANDPARENTS' DAY - SAVE THE DATE!**

Please save the date for our special Grandparents' Day celebration Friday, Nov. 12, 8:30-11:30 a.m.! Two Invites, with a detailed R.S.V. P. letter attached, will be sent home this week with your youngest child. See the flier on p. 5 too! It's going to be great!



CHIPOTLE

### PASTOR APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

Trinity Christian School will honor all of our wonderful pastors, here, Wednesday, Oct. 27, 7:30 - 9:30 a.m. We will begin the morning with an appreciation breakfast for pastors, and invite them to stay for a chapel service led by our first graders and dedicated to the pastors. **The R.S.V.P. deadline is Friday, Oct. 22**. Please remind your pastors, if they have not already, to do so by this date. Help us spread the word and show our TCS love to those in the ministry. We have more invitations in the front office just in case you need more. Any questions? Please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at 815-577-9310, ext. 54, or <u>tthomas@trinitychristian.info</u>.

## SELL COOKIE DOUGH, WIN GREAT PRIZES!

Student Council and the Athletic Department encourage all of the student body to get involved in selling cookie dough/butter braids to raise money for the school. Order forms went home yesterday. There are some great incentives and prizes this year, including a chance to win a large fluffy stuffed animal, a great set of air pods, and a super-fast electric scooter. There is also an opportunity to participate in a SNOWBALL BONANZA our very own administrator, Mr. V.! And, there are classroom competitions, along with the overall top-seller prizes. The money





raised will be used by Student Council and the Athletic Department for a wide variety of things for the school and student body. Support your school and sell, sell, sell! Please read the letter on pages 5 and 6 about the new changes to our sale, and look for the email about setting up your online store. If you plan to sell using the paper forms, there are extra forms available in the front office if you need more.

#### Teachers, continued

12th grade. Mrs. Thompson has been active in serving in children's and youth ministries in her church over the years and has a passion for serving in God's kingdom. We are excited for the knowledge and Spanish curriculum experience she brings to TCS. Please welcome her to the TCS family. She will be serving in classes Tuesday-Thursday afternoons in K-5th grade. She may be reached for questions at her email, <u>vthompson@trinitychristian.info</u>.



**Mrs. Kristi Zientek** will join the middle school faculty soon as our new full-time history teacher and 6th grade homeroom teacher. Mrs. Zientek graduated from Lewis University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology and Elementary Education, with a minor in history. She also has middle school endorsements in math, social studies and language arts. She has spent the past several years focused on her daughter, who is now in the half-day kindergarten program here. She is excited to come back to teaching and serve in her own classroom with the middle school. She has always loved history and hopes she can help kids appreciate

it and learn it with some excitement! Mrs. Zientek plans to begin Oct. 25, the start of the second quarter. What is exciting is that she is good friends with Mrs. Lewis, who is currently filling in as the interim history teacher. They will teach together the week of Oct. 18, so that there will be a great transition for Mrs. Zientek and for the students. We are excited to have her be a part of the team. Please welcome her with open arms! Her staff email is kzientek@trinitychristian.info.

all Festival October 23rd

save the date

# COME OUT AND ENJOY PTM'S FALL FESTIVAL OCTOBER 23

It's time for some family fun, at our TCS Fall Festival, Oct. 23, 4-8 p.m. The evening includes many fun events. It is a great time to spend time together with friends and as a family. Here is what you can look forward to:

- Pre-decorated pumpkin contest w/prizes! There will be one prize for each age group listed below:
  - ••PK3-PK4
  - ••K-2nd
  - ••3rd-5th
  - ••6th-8th
- Bonfire
- S'mores
- Hot Dogs
- Hot Chocolate
- Hot Apple Cider
- Outdoor movie, Luca, starting just after dusk. Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on.
- Plus more! We look forward to a fabulous time together as a school community. See you there!

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#### SIGN UP FOR THE TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR!

Crafters and Vendor registration is now open. If you're a direct seller, sign up now to secure your spot before past-sellers registration opens. <u>www.trinitychristian.info/optional/christmas-craft-vendor-fair</u>.



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# CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27TH | 4-8PM 2848 PLAINFIELD RD, JOLIET, IL, 60435

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **TT6XVMN** OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.