



Son Times

April 23, 2026

"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)

\$1 DRESS-DOWN DAY TOMORROW

LAST CALL FOR PTM FLOWER ORDERS

Tomorrow is the final day to turn in orders for the PTM Flower Sale. Flowers will be delivered in time for Mother's Day and spring planting! Please see p. 4 for additional information.



2025-2026 ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARDED

Congratulations to eighth grade student Taylor K. for receiving the 2025-2026 Athlete of the Year Award! This award is based on athletic achievement, Christian character, contribution to the team, number of sports played and excelled in, leadership qualities and academic performance. Taylor also scored over 1,000 points for basketball over her time here at TCS!

We are proud of you and can't wait to see you continue to shine for the Lord both on and off the court, Taylor!



Kindergarten - 8th
 Grade Calendar:
 April 24 – May 1

April 24
 \$1 Dress-Down Day

April 29
 Chapel 8:40 a.m.

April 30
 7th and 8th Grade Retreat

May 1
 Spirit Gear Day

Important Dates

May 12
 State of the School Meeting

May 19
 School Board Meeting

May 21
 8th Grade Graduation

May 25
 Memorial Day
 No School



LEAH

AURORA IN BLACK

WGN FEATURES TRINITY STUDENT

TCS sixth grade student Leah B., was recently featured on WGN-TV News for her lemonade business, [Sip of Joy Lemonade](#)! Leah launched her business with a ribbon cutting at the "Next Gen Entrepreneur Experience" in Aurora, April 11. Watch the full video [here](#). Congratulations, Leah! We are so proud of you!



SPRING MUSICAL TICKETS ON SALE TOMORROW

Trinity's spring Musical, Beauty and the Beast Jr. takes place May 8-9.

See one of our performances:

- Friday, May, 8, at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, May 9, at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Tickets sales open to the public April 24, at noon. Tickets are \$10 (plus fees).

All seating is reserved seating for the musical, so please use this [link](#) to choose your seats and purchase tickets. Tickets will also be available to purchase at the door on for all performances.



Bloom!

COMPLETE ANNUAL UPDATE PACKET BY MAY 1

Remember to complete your reenrolled student's annual information update packet for current first through eighth grade by May 1. These packets allow you to update important information regarding your household and student(s). Only the parent who has enrolled the student in the past will see an update packet in the portal.

How to get started?

1. Log into your [FACTS Family Portal](#), remember the District Code is **TRINC-IL**
2. Select Apply/Enroll from left side list
3. Select **Enroll/Reenroll**, click **Start Enrollment Packet** (*it is just an update, we promise!*)
4. Complete all steps in packet list at left
5. Final item to select is **Information Packet Review**
6. Submit packet

Please note, students new to Trinity who are entering kindergarten through eighth grade DO NOT have an update packet to complete. We receive their information via their Continuous Enrollment Packets. Please complete your Annual Update Packet no later than May 1. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Mrs. Ellen Rasmussen, Registrar, at erasmussen@trinitychristian.info or 815-577-9310, ext. 300. Thank you!

ATTEND STATE OF THE SCHOOL MEETING, MAY 12

Please remember that the final mandatory parent meeting of the year is **Tuesday, May 12, at 6:30 p.m.** in the cafetorium. At least one parent must attend this meeting. This will be an informative night of special announcements, updates and a time to come together as parents. Please note, this meeting is for parents only and there is **NO CHILD CARE** available. We look forward to seeing everyone there!



TIME TO SIGN UP FOR TCS SUMMER CAMPS

Summer is almost here, and with it comes TCS Summer Camps! From sports to robotics, dance to rocketry, we have lots of fun summer camps planned. We also have teachers offering tutoring over the summer. Please see the complete program online for all the details on each camp. Registration is open and all payments are online through this [link](#). See p. 9 for more information.

Chapel Notes, by Joseph M., Guest Contributor to the *SonTimes*

Middle School Chapel Speaker: Pastor Noah Lewis

1. Sometimes, we feel that God does not help enough
2. Two are better than one, because they can help each other up
3. Abraham was promised by God to have many children. Abraham did not believe, but God followed through
4. Our heart can be changed very early by the people we trust
5. Our friends should help us get to God, not drag us away
6. If you ever feel lonely, remember that Jesus is always there

SCHOOL SUPPLY KIT INFORMATION COMING SOON

Tired of crowded stores and overspending? Buy your students' school supplies online! All grade-level school supplies can be ordered with just one click. More information to come soon.

HELP BLESS A TCS TEACHER BY CLEARING THEIR AMAZON [WISH LIST](#)

FIND EVENTS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY HERE

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Check out local church events posted on our community page, including a mobile food pantry hosted by the Village Church - Shorewood. Please share with anyone you know that may be in need and would be blessed by this ministry.

<https://www.trinitychristian.info/community/communityevents.cfm>

If your church has an event to share, please reach out to Mrs. Deanne Bekermeier, Director of Development, at dbekermeler@trinitychristian.info.

MKW
MESSIAH KIDS WEDNESDAYS
Connect with the Bible and Friends

Awana
GRACE BIBLE CHURCH

NORTHERN ILLINOIS FOOD BANK

SHOREWOOD MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Monday, May 4 @ 5 PM
901 Shorewood Drive, Shorewood
Details at thevillagechristianchurch.com



At Trinity Christian School, volunteers are needed every day! Check out our **EVERYDAY VOLUNTEER NEEDS** below! It is vital that we fill these everyday positions, as soon as possible, to be sure each school morning is off to a warm and friendly start; hot lunches are served efficiently; and to create a relaxing, fun, and safe environment for students and teachers during recess. PLEASE see what is available and contact Mrs. Adalys Colianne directly if you'd like to serve or for any additional details. Please note that these opportunities are on a first-come, first-served basis!

WE SEEK VOLUNTEERS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK: APRIL 27- May 1. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALENDARS AND RESPOND DIRECTLY TO MRS. COLIANNE TO GET YOUR DATES LOCKED IN!

MORNING GREETER: Every day, 8-8:30 a.m. Open car doors, greet students, and help make sure they enter the building safely.

Monday, April 27: 3 volunteers needed
Tuesday, April 28: 3 volunteers needed
Wednesday, April 29: 2 volunteers needed

Thursday, April 30: 3 volunteers needed
Friday, May 1: 2 volunteers needed

LUNCH HELPER: Four helpers needed daily, 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m. Distribute hot lunch orders by grade and classroom, then assist with cleanup.

Monday, April 27: 2 volunteers needed
Tuesday, April 28: 3 volunteers needed
Wednesday, April 29: 2 volunteers needed

Thursday, April 30: 3 volunteers needed
Friday, May 1: 3 volunteers needed

RECESS HELPER: Every day, 11:50 a.m.-1:10 p.m. Provide supervision, with Trinity staff, to keep children safe during their playtime.

Monday, April 27: 4 volunteers needed
Tuesday, April 28: 4 volunteers needed
Wednesday, April 29: 4 volunteers needed

Thursday, April 30: 2 volunteers needed
Friday, May 1: 4 volunteers needed

BENEFIT CLASS BASKET WINNER, VERHULST PIZZA PARTY, FRIDAY, MAY 1: 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - 4 volunteers needed to assist during class party and serve pizza

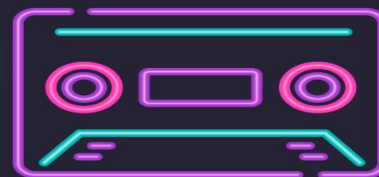
8TH GRADE GRADUATION, THURSDAY, MAY 21: 5:45-9 p.m. - 3 volunteers needed

FIELD DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 29: 8:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. - many volunteers needed

Please contact Mrs. Colianne at acolianne@trinitychristian.info or 815-577-9310, ext. 315, as soon as possible if interested and available.

As always thank you for your willingness to serve!

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 4-8



THROWBACK TO THE 90'S

PLEASE SIGN UP USING THE LINK
BELOW TO HELP PTM WITH
TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK.

SIGN-UP GENIUS WILL INCLUDE
AMAZON LINKS AS WELL AS FOOD
NEEDS. EMAIL THE PTM WITH ANY
QUESTIONS AT
PTM@TRINITYCHRISTIAN.INFO

**TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PTM:
2026 TEACHER APPRECIATION
WEEK- 905**

2026-2027 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Fourth Grade Teacher

Are you a certified teacher who loves teaching elementary school-age children? We seek an enthusiastic fourth grade teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. Qualified candidates must have a bachelor's degree and a current state teaching certificate. The teacher must believe that the Bible is God's Word and is the standard for faith and daily living. You also must be in agreement with Trinity Christian School's mission and philosophy of education. This opening is a self-contained classroom in which the teacher is responsible for teaching the core subjects. The teacher shall prayerfully help students learn attitudes, skills, and subject matter that will contribute to their development as mature, able, and responsible Christians to the praise and glory of God. If interested, please download a teacher application from the website and submit it with your resume to the Head of School, Mr. Jon Vugteveen, at jvugteveen@trinitychristian.info.

Substitutes

Substitutes must be able to step into a classroom environment to teach on short notice. A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university is required and a teaching certification or substitute license is preferred. Qualified substitutes must believe that the Bible is God's Word and standard for faith and daily living and must be in agreement with Trinity Christian School's mission and philosophy of education

Thank you for your interest in working at Trinity Christian School! Applications can be found [online](#).

**SAVE THE DATE! STATE OF THE SCHOOL
MEETING IS MAY 12**



KIDS ART SHOW

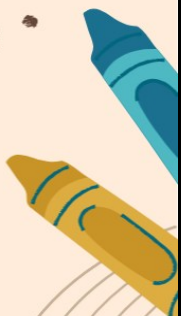
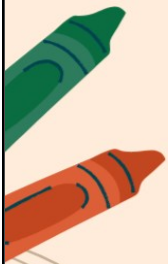
Join us for a colorful journey
around the world through art!

April 24 - May 13

**Elementary Art
Students K-5**

TCS MAIN Building 2nd Floor

Come check it out during the
Spring Musical Weekend, the State
of the School Parent Meeting, or
anytime you are in the building!





**DINE &
DONATE**

10% GIVE BACK



TRINITY
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

THURSDAY, APRIL 30TH

11:00 - CLOSE | DINE-IN & CARRY-OUT



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Trinity Christian School PTM Flower Sale

Get a gift for mom & decorate your house for summer while supporting our school!

Orders are due April 24 & flowers will be delivered May 5!

11" Hanging Baskets & Pots: \$25



Superbell*
Full/Part Sun



Supertonia*
Full/Part Sun



Fuchsia*
Partial Shade



Geranium
Full/Part Sun

Available in red,
pink, or salmon



14" Citronella
Full/Part Sun

Natural mosquito
repellent



Sun Combos &
Shade Combos



Boston Fern
Full Shade



Wandering Jew
Full Shade

1 Gallon Pots*: \$15



Canna
Full Sun



Alocasia - Emerald Isle
Full Sun



Husky Red
Full/Part Sun



Husky Cherry
Full/Part Sun

Patio Tomato Pots***: \$25

48 Count Flats: \$28



Petunia
Full/Part Sun



Marigold
Full/Part Sun



Wax Begonia
Full/Part Sun



Zinnia
Full Sun



Impatiens
Part Sun

Mid-height
10"-12" tall



Check out our new items this year: Canna,
Alocasia, Fuchsia, and more!

Thank you to JW Greenhouses of Holland, MI for
this great fundraiser! Pay by check made out to
Trinity Christian School

Questions? Contact Lisa Vugteveen
(815) 530-0315 / micntrygirl@yahoo.com

*Assorted colors and varieties, may be different from
picture.

**Grow your own tomatoes!

Plants can stay in their pot and are supported by a wire
cage. Just water, fertilize, & enjoy fresh tomatoes all
summer.

TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
MOTHER SON
DATE NIGHT

FRIDAY, MAY 15 AT 6:00 PM

AT TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

**Mothers and sons join us for an evening of fun hosted by
Core Recreation. Including lazer tag, glow gaga ball,
pizza, refreshments & more!**



Sign Up at: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/qPoYaJho>

**Tickets Are \$30 per mother/son couple,
\$12 each additional son**

**RSVP BY FRIDAY MAY 8,
NO LATE SIGN UPS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

QUESTIONS: PTM@TRINITYCHRISTIAN.INFO

The logo features a large yellow sun with rays behind a yellow 'S'. The word 'SUMMER' is in orange, 'CAMPS' is in blue, and '2026' is in orange. 'TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL' is in blue below.

SUMMER CAMPS 2026 TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Trinity Christian School Summer Camps and Programs are a fun way to continue to learn and grow in a variety of academic, athletic and artistic venues. Participants in our camps build lasting friendships and strong Christian fellowship in a fun and loving environment.

Register online at
www.trinitychristian.info or by scanning
the QR code

