



# Son Times

April 9, 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)**

## SPIRIT GEAR DAY TOMORROW! WEAR SPIRIT GEAR!

**DONUTS WITH GROWNUPS; FRIDAY MORNING, 7:45-8:20 A.M.**  
**REGISTRATION IS CLOSED**

## SPORTS AWARDS R.S.V.P.s DUE TODAY!

Families of TCS athletes, your R.S.V.P. for the Sports Awards Ceremony, April 16, are DUE TODAY. Forms were sent home with your student last month. See the flier on p.3 for more information. Thank you!

## STANDARDIZED TESTING IS NEXT WEEK



Students in grades K-8 will take the Iowa Complete Standardized Test, April 13-16. A standardized test is a type of test given to all students across the nation, with the same directions and generally the same content. Standardized tests can be given in both public and private schools. Please know these tests are one piece in evaluating where Trinity Christian School and each student are academically.

Please make every attempt to have your student here on time each day. Testing is held each morning and the school will be a quiet zone every day until approximately 11 a.m.

Here are a few other reminders when it comes to standardized testing week:

- All testing takes place in K-8 grade, 8:30-11 a.m.
- K-8 grade will test Monday-Thursday
- There is NO CHAPEL, April 15.
- Children are encouraged to get plenty of sleep and eat healthy, nutritional breakfasts
- Teachers will take testing week into consideration so there will be no homework other than continuing to read, so students aren't overloaded throughout the week

Please encourage your children not to put any added pressure on themselves but to just do their best! Let's also join together in praying for peace within our students. Thank you for partnering with us to help our students succeed!



**EDITORS NOTE:** In the March 26, 2026 newsletter, we ran an article about middle school honor roll. Two students whose names were missing from the list were Caiden T. in sixth grade, and Steven S. in seventh grade. Congratulations to these students on this achievement! We apologize for the oversight.

**Kindergarten - 8th  
 Grade Calendar:  
 April 9-17**

**April 10**  
 Spirit Gear Day  
 Donuts with Grownups

**April 13-16**  
 Standardized Testing

**April 15**  
**NO CHAPEL**

**April 16**  
 Sports Awards Ceremony

**April 17**  
 11:45 a.m. Dismissal  
 School Improvement Day

### Important Dates

**April 21**  
 School Board Meeting  
 7 p.m.

**April 30**  
 7th and 8th Grade Retreat



## I:55 BOOK FAIR COMING NEXT WEEK

Our spring book fair is coming up, next week! Students can preview and purchase books and other fun items, **April 15-17**.

We are using a Christian book fair company called I:55 Book Fairs. Their motto is "Where Faith Matters." From their website: "We strive to glorify God in all we say and do... and read. Everything we send to a book fair has been pre-screened to make sure it addresses biblical principles and values."

**Purchases can be made by cash, debit/credit card, or I:55 gift card.** If you would like to order items online, or purchase a gift card for your child, please visit this [link](#). See flier on p. 4.

## PTM'S FLOWER SALE IS HERE

It's officially spring, which means it is time for PTM's annual Mother's Day Flower Sale. PTM is partnering with a greenhouse owned and operated by a Christian family who wants to bless TCS by giving a portion of the proceeds back to our school.

Order forms will be sent home with your youngest child soon with orders due April 24. Flowers will be delivered to TCS for pickup the week before Mother's Day.

## ORDER MAY HOT LUNCH

Order hot lunch for May now through April 20. All orders must be **placed and paid for by April 20 at 11:59 p.m.** This is a firm deadline. You can find information about the hot lunch program [here](#). **This will be the last hot lunch order of the 25-26 school year.**

# ORDER NOW

## Chapel Notes, by A'Mia B.; Guest Contributor to the *Son Times*

Chapel Speaker: Mr. Sowa

1. How can we run to the Father during the many distractions all around us? Luke 15:11-24
2. Go the Father, repent your sins and pray
3. You cannot handle anything by yourself
4. The world has many distractions and leads to ideology
5. If you are not careful, you will slowly drift away
6. When you turn back to God, he comes running toward you. Never be afraid
7. To run the Father; read your Bible and pray daily. Ask yourself what does God want me to know?

**MISSING YOUR  
GLASSES? CHECK  
THE LOST AND  
FOUND IN THE FRONT  
OFFICE.**





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 13-17. 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 13:** 3 volunteers needed

**Tuesday, April 14:** 3 volunteers needed

**Wednesday, April 15:** 2 volunteers needed

**Thursday, April 16:** 3 volunteers needed

**Friday, April 17:** 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 13:** 2 volunteers needed

**Tuesday, April 14:** 3 volunteers needed

**Wednesday, April 15:** 2 volunteers needed

**Thursday, April 16:** 3 volunteers needed

**Friday, April 17:** No Lunch / Early Dismissal

**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 13:** 4 volunteers needed

**Tuesday, April 14:** 4 volunteers needed

**Wednesday, April 15:** 4 volunteers needed

**Thursday, April 16:** 4 volunteers needed

**Friday, April 17:** No Recess / Early Dismissal

**DONUTS WITH GROWNUPS: FRIDAY, APRIL 10:** 7:20-9:30 a.m. - 2 volunteers needed

**BOOK FAIR: FRIDAY, APRIL 10:** 1-3:30 p.m. - 1 volunteer needed to unpack and move books

**BOOK FAIR: FRIDAY, APRIL 17:** 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. - 2 volunteers needed for cleanup

**SPORT AWARD CEREMONY: THURSDAY, APRIL 16:** 1:30-3 p.m. - 2 volunteers for setup

**WEEKEND WARRIOR: SATURDAY, APRIL 18:** 7-9 a.m. - many volunteers needed

Please contact Mrs. Colianne at [acolianne@trinitychristian.info](mailto: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!*



## Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup>

**6:00 PM**

Doors Open

**6:15 PM**

Desserts/Drinks

**6:30 PM**

Awards Begin

**8:00 PM**

Closing Remarks

Join us as we honor our outstanding athletes from the 2025-2026 season. This special evening will include athlete recognition, a short video presentation, awards, and honors such as **Athlete of the Year** and the **Brent Haas Service Award**. Attire is dressy casual. Coffee, lemonade, and dessert will be provided, and each family is asked to bring a dessert to share.

# I:55 BOOK FAIRS



## A Reading Journey for TCS Families

Pack your bags and get ready to explore exciting stories, favorite characters, and brand-new adventures! The **I-55 Book Fair** is coming soon, and we can't wait for students and families to join the fun.

### IN-PERSON SHOPPING

April 15–16 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

April 17 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM



Students can browse, discover, and select books that spark their imagination. Every purchase supports our school and helps build a love of reading! ***We will accept cash, credit or I-55 Gift cards. (Available for purchase on the I-55 Book Fair Website. Please follow the link below.)***

### ONLINE SHOPPING

April 13–17

Shop the Book Fair Here:

<https://i55bookfairs.com/pages/i1023>



**Let the adventure begin! Thank you for support!**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**MOTHER SON  
DATE NIGHT**

**FRIDAY, MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**AT TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

**Hosted by Core Recreation  
Laser Tag, Glow Gaga Ball,  
Food & More!**

**MORE INFO TO FOLLOW SOON**