

Trinity Christian School

Academic Excellence Christ Centered Family Focused



Son Times

December 2, 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)

SPIRIT GEAR DAY TOMORROW! SPIRIT GEAR DAY TOMORROW!

CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR, DEC. 4



Join us Saturday, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. for our biggest Christmas Craft and Vendor Fair yet! We have 91 booths full of great gifts and beautiful treasures!! There is something for everyone. Visit the Trinity Christian School Craft and Vendor Fair Facebook page to see featured crafters and get sneak peeks of some of the items that will be there. Need volunteer hours? We've got you covered.

Help us any time from 6 a.m.-3 p.m. To help, please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at tthomas@trinitychristian.info or 815-577-9310, ext. 54. See you Saturday!

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM MEETS CRAFT FAIR!

Calling all kindergarten through 4th grade students! Please join us at the TCS Christmas Craft and Vendor Fair Saturday, Dec. 4, at 10:45 a.m. We will perform a few of our Christmas program songs on stage at 11 a.m. Please contact Mrs. Tanka at vtanka@trinitychristian.info if you have any questions. Thanks!

K-4 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM DECEMBER 10

Trinity Christian K-4th grade students hold their Christmas program, Behind the Manger Scenes, Friday, Dec. 10, at 9:30 a.m. (practice and school show), 6:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. ALL students in kindergarten through fourth grade are required to be at EVERY performance. Students need to arrive by 6 p.m. for the evening performances. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

We have decided to have two performances in the evening to enable more family members and friends from over 120 TCS families, with children in the program, to be able to see the show. We foresee these shows both being full houses as well! We ask that everyone follow the plan below so that we can ensure seating for everyone to enjoy this wonderful program.

If your youngest student is in kindergarten or 1st grade, please attend the 6:30 p.m. performance. If your youngest student is in 2nd-4th grade, please attend the 7:30 p.m. performance.

We will offer coffee, doughnuts and cookies in the gym, 6:30-8 p.m., for parents as a place to fellowship and hang out in case you would rather not leave and run back and forth while your children perform. The performances will last approximately 35 minutes each. All children are required to perform at both evening show times. Students will return to their classrooms between shows and stay with their teachers until called back on stage. Our evening should conclude no later than 8:15 p.m.

We understand this is a little different, but we really want to enable all grandparents and siblings to attend this program if they would like to. Keep an eye out for further reminders from Mrs. Tanka and teachers too.

We look forward to hearing the children sing and tell of the importance of this Christmas season in this program that they and Mrs. Tanka have been working so hard on. Please remember, if you have multiple children we ask that you attend the showtime of the youngest child. We ask that everyone respects these guidelines and that parents only attend their assigned show to avoid overcrowding. Thank you very much!

Kindergarten - 8th **Grade Calendar:** Dec. 2-10

Dec. 2 Boys' Basketball **HOME** Games, 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.

> Dec. 3 Spirit Gear Day

Dec. 4

Craft and Vendor Fair

Dec. 6

Boys' Basketball **HOME** Games, 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.

Dec. 7

Boys' Basketball AWAY Games, 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.

> Dec. 8 Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

> > Dec. 9

Boys' Basketball **HOME** Games, 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.

Dec. 10

\$1 Dress-Down Day K-4 Christmas Program 9:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

Important Dates:

December 14 **Board Meeting**

December 20-31 Christmas Break



Chapel Notes, by Emily V., Guest Contributor to the Son Times

Chapel Speaker: Pastor Arol McFadden

Wednesday we had the special middle school chapel. In the beginning of chapel, we listened to Glorious Night to get us in the Christmas spirit. Pastor McFadden talked to us about how everybody has different thoughts on Christmas. Some people have really good Christmases and some people have really bad ones, so whichever one it is, remember you can always have a hopeful Christmas. Happiness is very fragile so remember hope is always there. If you are feeling lonely on Christmas, remember Jesus is always there for us and loves us. A few of the verses that applied to what we were talking about were Proverbs 3:5-6, Romans 5:2-4, and Romans 5:6-8. These verses prove to us that we should put our faith into God because he died for us as sinners and loves us every day even though we do not deserve it.

HOLIDAY LETTER FROM PARENT-TEACHER MINISTRY

Dear Trinity Families,

Hi, I hope this letter finds you all doing well and getting excited about the Christmas season, a time of family, friends, giving, and sharing. Most of all, this is a time to celebrate the birth of Jesus, our King, Lord and Savior!

This time of year, the PTM does an annual collection for all of the NON- teaching staff at TCS. This includes all of our front office, back office, lunchroom, janitorial, and B.A.S.K. staff. Without them, the teachers wouldn't be able to do all that they do for your children. We ask that each student sends in a minimum \$1, all the way up to whatever amount you feel called to bless them with. All of the money collected will be divided between each of those staff members, and given as a gift from the TCS families.

Please send your gift anytime from now until Dec. 15. Please label the envelope "PTM." Envelopes may be turned in several ways:

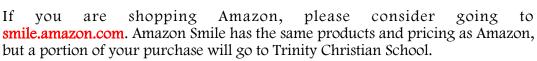
- 1) student may bring in and give the envelope to their teacher, labeled "PTM"
- 2) you or your student may drop it off in the office, labeled "PTM"
- 3) place envelope (labeled "PTM") in the white box labeled #2, in the foyer by the bulletin board

I hope you have a wonderful day. Thank you in advance for your willingness to bless our staff!

Forever His, Heather Frakes PTM President

HOLIDAY SHOPPING MAXIMIZED

For those of you shopping over Thanksgiving Break, please remember the easy ways that you can shop and bless Trinity Christian School at the same time.





To do this, type in your browser, smile.amazon.com. You will be asked to sign in with your email address and your Amazon password. Trinity Christian School is included in the Amazon Smile Charity Listings. To select our school, search Trinity Christian School Shorewood. TCS will then be linked to your Amazon Smile Account and every time you shop Amazon Smile, you will bless TCS.

Christmas shopping is also a great opportunity to use <u>SCRIP</u>! Remember to use <u>SCRIP</u> when you are shopping and for giving gift cards!

Thank you so much for supporting **Trinity Christian School**! Happy shopping!

PRESCHOOL SEEKS AFTER SCHOOL HELP

Preschool has a part-time position available starting in January in our after-school Program, CAP. The position includes a tuition discount. If you or someone you know is interested in the position, or if you would like more information, please contact Mrs. Julie Paez at 815-577-9310, ext. 31, or jpaez@trinitychristian.info.



Volunteer Adventures

Happy December! Following are the upcoming needs for the upcoming week. I appreciate you taking a look at your schedules and helping if you are available.

Mrs. Tanka is also looking for a volunteer or two to help little ones with costumes for the Christmas Program. Specifically, she could use assistance Thursday, Dec. 9, 8:30-10:30 a.m.; and again Friday, Dec. 10, 6-8:45 p.m. Please do not hesitate to reach out if this might fit into your schedule.

Please let me know if you are available to cover any of the following openings as well. I can be reached lnash@trinitychristian.info

Volunteer Needs – December 6-10

Morning Greeter	Friday, Dec. 3 Monday, Dec. 6 Wednesday, Dec. 8 Friday, Dec. 10	1 needed at 8 a.m.1 needed at 8 a.m.1 needed at 8 a.m.1 needed at 8 a.m.
Recess	Monday, Dec. 6 Tuesday, Dec. 7 Wednesday, Dec. 8 Thursday, Dec. 9 Friday, Dec. 10	 2 needed at 11:50 a.m.
Hot Lunch	Monday, Dec. 6 Tuesday, Dec. 7 Wednesday, Dec. 8 Thursday, Dec. 9 Friday, Dec. 10	2 at 11 a.m., and 1 at 11:15 a.m. 2 at 11 a.m., and 1 at 11:15 a.m. 2 at 11 a.m., and 1 at 11:15 a.m. 2 at 11 a.m., and 1 at 11:15 a.m. 1 at 11:15 a.m.
Mid-day Cleaners	Monday, Dec. 6 Tuesday, Dec. 7 Wednesday, Dec. 8 Thursday, Dec. 9 Friday, Dec. 10	at least 1 @ 1 p.m., it goes faster if there are 2 at least 1 @ 1 p.m., it goes faster if there are 2 at least 1 @ 1 p.m., it goes faster if there are 2 at least 1 @ 1 p.m., it goes faster if there are 2 at least 1 @ 1 p.m., it goes faster if there are 2

I would ask that you all give some consideration to helping out as a mid-day cleaner, as we are heading into cold and flu season. We can't do too much cleaning to prevent sickness from occurring here at Trinity.

There are many openings in December for all daytime activities. If you are available during the day and would like to come in and help with lunch, recess or mid-day cleaning, please contact me through the Remind App or my email and I will put you on the schedule. If you know you want to volunteer in the upcoming months, give me the dates and I will put them on the calendar now.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at lnash@trinitychristian.info if you have any questions. I can also be reached at 815-577-9310, ext. 63.

