



# Son Times

March 3, 2022

"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!**

## TOMORROW: TRINITY STUDENT ON WGN 9

Wake up early Friday to see one of our very own students make an appearance on Chicago's very own WGN TV! Nathan V., a 4th grade student in Ms. Osacky's class, will talk with weather anchor, [Morgan Kolkmeier](#), around 6:30 a.m. then deliver the forecast at 6:45 a.m. on [WGN Morning News!](#)

We look forward to seeing Nathan represent Trinity Christian School, Friday morning! Hopefully he doesn't forecast anymore snow! Be sure to tune in, and tell your friends!



## Kindergarten - 8th Grade Calendar: March 3-12

### March 3

Girls' Basketball **AWAY**  
Games, 5th/6th at 4:15p.m.  
7th/8th at 5:15 p.m.

### March 4

Spirit Gear Day  
ACSI Girls' Basketball  
Tournament

### March 5

ACSI Girls' Basketball  
Tournament

### March 8

Graduation Pictures  
Sports Pictures  
Girls' Basketball **HOME**  
Games, 5th/6th at 4:15p.m.  
7th/8th at 5:15 p.m.

### March 10-12

ICC Girls' Basketball  
Tournament at TCS

### March 15

Board Meeting

## Important Dates:

**March 28-April 1**  
Spring Break - No School

## 2022 BENEFIT EVENT INFORMATION

### BENEFIT EVENT R.S.V.P.s ARE DUE FRIDAY

Thank you so much for all the Benefit R.S.V.P.s that have been returned! If you haven't turned yours in, please remember the deadline to respond is Friday, March 4!

### PARTNER WITH US

Looking for ways to partner with the upcoming Trinity Christian School's annual Benefit Event? Please check out our Event Sponsorship link. We would love to partner with you for this upcoming fundraising event! Here is the direct link to the Benefit Sponsor <https://bit.ly/tcssponsor>. Be blessed!

### ACCEPTING SILENT AUCTION ITEMS THROUGH FRIDAY

We are truly excited about all the donations that are coming in. As a result of the incredible response, we have extended the deadline to Friday, March 4. The opportunity to donate is ongoing, and we welcome you to participate. We are looking for fun, creative items and experiences, with a minimum value of \$25 that represents your organization.

For anything regarding the Benefit Event, please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at [tthomas@trinitychristian.info](mailto:tthomas@trinitychristian.info), or 815-577-9310, ext. 54. Thank you!

## DONATE FOR ILLINOIS INVEST IN KIDS

Currently we have a waiting list of 29 current and incoming TCS students who qualify to receive an Illinois Invest in Kids Scholarship. We need your help to fund these students. By donating to Empower Illinois, **you will receive a state tax credit in the amount of 75% of your donation.** That is a *tax credit* not just a deduction, so you will directly reduce what you owe in Illinois taxes!

Please contact Deanne Bekermeier at [dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info](mailto:dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info) for details on how to bless these students and reduce your state taxes at the same time!



# LASTING LESSONS

ALL SCRIPTURE IS GIVEN BY  
INSPIRATION OF GOD  
2 TIMOTHY 3:16

TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
SPIRITUAL  
EMPHASIS  
WEEK 2022

LOOK  
LOVE  
LABOR  
LIVE

## SPRITUAL EMPHASIS WEEK CONCLUDES

The final day of Spiritual Emphasis Week is tomorrow, for all students in kindergarten through eighth grade. Chapel has been held each day, except Wednesday, when each class completed a service project. The theme for the week is "Lasting Lessons," including the messages "Look," "Love," "Labor," and "Live." Read the Chapel Notes below to see what our students have been learning!



Special thanks to Joliet First Assembly for sending guest speakers for our four chapel services this week. We also appreciate the big love they showed to everyone by bringing a delicious breakfast for all teachers and staff, Tuesday, and sweet treats for each of our students.

### Chapel Notes I, by Ellie H., Guest Contributor to the Son Times

February 28 Chapel Guest: Pastor Shad Peyton

Monday in chapel, our main verse was 2 Timothy 3:16. Each day this week, we are focusing on one word. Monday's word was *look*. We learned that the three best places to look are upwards to Jesus/God, inward towards our own heart, and forward for God's plan. When the world is dark, it is easy to lose sight of God and his plan, but we must remember that he will always be by our side and would never do us harm.

### Chapel Notes II, by Tessa K., Guest Contributor to the Son Times

March 1 Chapel Guest: Mrs. Victoria Railey

#### Love

- Following the rules of life that Jesus gives us.
- Love the Lord your God with all you heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength
- People will look at you and if you're with Jesus
- Love is a choice that you have to make
- Trust and obedience to God
- God loves you so much
- 600 times about love in the Bible
- Listen to God's voice
- Our job to be obedient
- To give our heart to God
- How can you use God today
- Bible gives you a plan of life

### Chapel Notes III, by John L., Guest Contributor to the Son Times

March 3 Chapel Guest: Pastor John Silvestry

- Labor – God is always working for us when we can't see it, he is always at work to help us build our faith.
- When you do something for someone else, you are working.
- If you only say you are faithful, it will not have meaning. If you do not show it through your actions, it is useless.
- When you say you are faithful to God, but your actions show something completely different, you are not being faithful you are being sinful.
- It gets so much harder when we have to show our faith, but we have to so we can prove our faith and save others.
- Work Grows Faith – Knowing isn't growing, you have to keep working over and over to grow and show your faith in God. If you want to grow your faith, you must show your life.
- When you don't show your faith, it will fade away.
- Work Finishes Our Faith – You have to show your faith, and when you do you take a leap of faith, you must act on your faith and live for God. We must show our faith.

## TRINITY STUDENT PARTICIPATES IN ARGONNE'S ENGINEERING DAY

February 18, Maddie M., an 8th grade student at Trinity Christian School, participated in Argonne National Laboratory's "Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day." This all-day event was Argonne's 20th anniversary of bringing the best in the scientific field together to teach and inspire young girls in the field of Engineering.

Special guest speakers included [Dr. Geraldine Richmond](#), The Under Secretary for Science and Innovation from The United States Department of Energy; and Congressman Bill Foster, a representative from Illinois in the U. S. Congress. Both of them spoke of their experiences in science and encouraged the girls to continue cultivating their curiosity in the pursuit of a career in engineering.

Maddie and 148 other 8th grade girls from all over Illinois joined in on presentations and experiments from the best and the brightest in their fields at Argonne National Laboratory. Students were also given an opportunity to ask questions during a STEAM Q & A Panel session with scientists from Argonne.

In the afternoon, students met in small groups with an assigned Argonne mentor. Other activities included creating an Argonne Time Capsule and traversing a cybersecurity escape room. The girls were challenged to identify a phishing email, decode a Caesar cipher with their cryptography skills, crack an embedded image using steganography and utilize social engineering to gain access to the hacker's accounts. Maddie exclaimed, "I just learned about this at my school in an afterschool workshop over cybersecurity!"

Regarding this special opportunity, Trinity Christian School's Director of Curriculum and Technology, Mrs. Virginia Hayward said, "What an exceptional day of learning and collaboration Argonne Laboratory has put together to ignite passion and increase confidence in our young engineers. We are very proud of Maddie for taking the initiative to expand her learning in a field that interests her. We are excited to see how this event will impact the career course of our future leaders."

## PAY FOR A CHANCE TO THROW A LITTLE PI DAY PIE!

Trinity Christian School is celebrating Pi Day Friday, March 11, as a whole school. Middle school students will "host" the K-5 grades through many circular fun activities.

The day begins with the annual "pi"e-in-the-face. Tickets for "pi"e-in-the-face are on sale now! Students may stop in the front foyer to purchase tickets for **25¢ each through Wednesday, March 9**. Tickets will be sold in the morning only. Students may purchase tickets for a chance to throw a pie in the face of their favorite staff member and/or 8th grade student. A photo of the face of each staff member and student getting pied will be on the outside of the container.

This year, Mrs. Mohr, Mrs. Novinski, Mrs. Behnke, Mrs. Zakoor, Mr. Alderden, Miss Bekermeier, Mrs. Overall, Mrs. Biskup, and Mr. V are taking a pie to their face! When a student purchases a ticket, the student's name is written on the ticket and on the day of the event, tickets will be drawn from each labeled container for the opportunity to pie that specific staff member or student.

Six 8th graders will be chosen to be pied in the face. Sixth and seventh graders are also in a competition to see which two students can raise the most tickets so they can be pied in the face.

Students may wear **dress down day bottoms and a Pi Day shirt** from this year or previous years. If students **do not** have a Pi Day shirt, then they **must** wear their normal school uniform. If your child ordered a Pi Day t-shirt, they will receive it before Thursday, March 10. After our assembly, students will participate in some fun Pi Day activities in the middle school classrooms, with fun tasty pi day treats.

## DONATE TO PI DAY!

PI DAY is March 11, and Trinity is celebrating! The entire morning will be run by Miss Bekermeier's middle school math students. We want to make sure we have enough snacks for everyone and need your help! If you are able to donate any **round** treats, please send them in labeled "PI Day" **by March 10**. We will also accept monetary donations to help purchase supplies for the day. Please send any such donations in an envelope marked "PI Day" **by March 11**. **To sign up, please follow this link:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/iocod4baca928a7f4c25-pidaysnacksr>. Thank you!

## **Trinity Christian School Employment Opportunities**

Know someone who would love to join our family and support the mission of Trinity Christian School? We are expanding, and anticipate the career opportunities listed below for the 2022-2023 school year. For more information and a full job description please follow the link to our website employment page. <https://www.trinitychristian.info/about/employment.cfm>

### **Director of Development—Full-Time, Begins Spring 2022**

The Director of Development serves as the leader of Trinity Christian School's financial development. They are responsible for making strategic decisions affecting all resource development. Working with the Administrator, the person in this position is responsible for all fundraising and development activities, for forging new relationships to build the school's visibility and significantly increase financial resources. They will design and implement a comprehensive plan for developing key eternal alliances by cultivating individual and philanthropic support. Their primary responsibility will be establishing and implementing the infrastructure needed to raise established annual fundraising goals through the Annual Fund, personal solicitations, grant writing, online giving, direct mail, and special events.

### **Elementary Teachers—We are Growing!**

Are you a certified teacher who loves teaching elementary school age children? We are seeking enthusiastic elementary teachers for the 2022-2023 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 agree 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.

### **Head Facility Manager—September/October 2022**

The Head Facility Manager is a critical member of the school's staff reporting directly to the Administrator. The Head Facility Manager's primary responsibility is to manage and maintain the physical school facilities in a condition of operating excellence, cleanliness, and safety. Flexibility is required to work with others in a variety of circumstances working as part of a team, setting priorities, and working with constant interruptions.

### **Custodian—Immediate Need, Afternoon and Evening Hours**

The Custodian is a critical member of the school's staff reporting directly to the Facilities Supervisor. The Custodian's primary responsibility is to maintain the physical school facilities in a condition of operating excellence, cleanliness, and safety. Flexibility is required to work with others in a variety of circumstances working as part of a team, setting priorities, and working with constant interruptions.

### **Substitute Teachers—2022-2023**

We are seeking substitute teachers for the coming school year. 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.

## **HEARTY THANKS FROM PTM**

PTM would like to send out a HUGE thank you to Mrs. Lisa Nash, Volunteer Coordinator, and to all of the volunteers who helped make the Daddy Daughter Date Night a glowing success!

Next up, we are now looking for volunteers for our mother and son event, April 9! Please contact Mrs. Heather Frakes, PTM President, at [frakes.tcs@gmail.com](mailto:frakes.tcs@gmail.com)



## TRINITY HOSTS SECOND OPEN HOUSE, MARCH 22

Trinity Christian School hosts a second Open House, March 22, 6-8 p.m. If you would like more post card invitations, they can be picked up from the front office. Please use those invitations to share this wonderful event with friends and neighbors who may be interested in learning more about TCS.

Also, please be sure to share our social media posts, and personalize them by adding a few words about why you love Trinity. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Deanne Bekermeier, Director of Development, at [dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info](mailto:dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info).

# OPEN HOUSE

## Preschool - 8th Grade

*Tuesday, March 22 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.*



Take a tour

Meet the teachers

Talk with current families



**TRINITY**  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

*Academic Excellence*  
*Christ Centered*  
*Family Focused*

Open House Pre-Registration:

<https://bit.ly/tcsopenhouse>

Walk-ins Welcome





TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
BENEFIT DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

*Reconnect & Refresh through Fellowship*

FRIDAY | MARCH 18, 2022 | 6 PM

901 SHOREWOOD DRIVE, SHOREWOOD, IL 60404

For where two or three gather in my name,  
there am I with them. ~ Matthew 18:20