



Son Times

November 2, 2023

"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!

CONGRATULATIONS, OCT. STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Congratulations to Trinity's October 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.

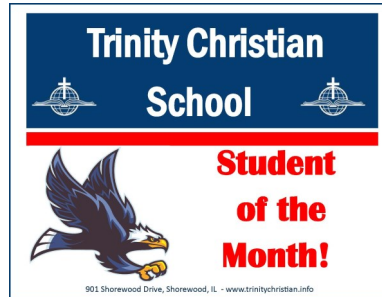
The Trinity Christian School students selected each month are recognized in the newsletter, at chapel, and on Facebook. Students are awarded a Student of the Month certificate and a sign for their yards, as seen in the graphic included here. Great job to October's Students of the Month, below:

Kindergarten: Hazel T. and Daniella C. **First Grade:** Phillip L. and Edie F.

Second Grade: Victoria B. and Veronica L. **Third Grade:** Ada F.

Fourth Grade: Matthew W. and Adelaide B. **Fifth Grade:** Layla T. and Simone C.

Sixth Grade: Olivia C. **Seventh Grade:** Jacob V. **Eighth Grade:** Emelia V.



Kindergarten - 8th Grade Calendar: Nov. 2-10

Nov. 3
Spirit Gear Day

Nov. 5
Daylight Saving Time Ends

Nov. 6
Preschool Parent/Teacher
Conferences

Nov. 7
Picture Retakes
Preschool Parent/Teacher
Conferences

Nov. 8
NO CHAPEL
Preschool Parent/Teacher
Conferences

Nov. 9
Grandparents' Day Practice
PARENTS WELCOME!
8:40 a.m.

Nov. 10
Grandparents' Day
11:45 a.m. Dismissal
Preschool In-Service, No
PK Attendance

LAST CALL FOR THANKSGIVING FEAST R.S.V.P.s EVERYONE MUST R.S.V.P. TODAY BY 11:59 P.M.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY R.S.V.P.s DUE TOMORROW



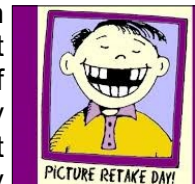
TCS is excited about the Grandparents' Day R.S.V.P.s coming in! Please note: the R.S.V.P. deadline is **tomorrow**, Nov. 3. If you have not responded please do so through the link [here](#) right away. If you have any additional questions, please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas, Special Events Coordinator, at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or thomas@trinitychristian.info.

BOOK FAIR COMING TO GRANDPARENTS' DAY!

Grandparents and grandfriends: please join us Friday, Nov. 10, for our fall book fair. This fair takes place in the gym during Grandparent's Day, 9:30-11 a.m. You may also visit our fair through the link [here](#). You may purchase books and other fun items using cash, check, eWallet, or credit card. Every purchase helps put new books in our school library!

STUDENT PICTURE RETAKES, TUESDAY

Did your student miss picture day, or would you like a retake? Van Gogh Photographers will be back at TCS for picture retakes Tuesday, Nov. 7, first thing in the morning until 10 a.m. Please call and notify the front office if your student will have a picture taken. Students taking pictures that day may wear something other than a school uniform for the photos, but must change back into their uniform after their picture has been taken. To prepay for pictures please use the link [here](#) and enter code 20021202. All students having a retake picture taken must bring their original pictures and hand them to the photographer.



Important Dates:

November 14
School Board Meeting



Sunday, Nov. 5

SEND STUDENTS TO SCHOOL WITH *WARM* APPAREL

Consistently cooler temperatures are here, with more on the way! Please make sure your child has appropriate gear for recess. Students go outside for recess as long as it is not raining and the "feels like" temperature is 20°F or more. Your student should have gloves, a scarf, hat, warm coat, and any other gear needed to stay warm while outside. If you are a volunteer helping with recess, please be sure to dress warmly. In the event of an emergency, when we need to leave the building or even getting in and out of vehicles, it is best for students to be wearing appropriate apparel. Please LABEL EVERYTHING. Lost coats, hats, gloves can be easily returned if we know who they belong to. In the event of school closing due to inclement weather, please check the school's website or Facebook page for information. We will also send information via text message.



GRANDPARENTS' DAY GEAR AVAILABLE ONLINE!

Look your grooviest as we celebrate our grandparents, 70s-style next week! Grandparents' Day gear is now available to order. Orders can be shipped to you, picked up at Big Frog in Shorewood, or picked up here at TCS on Grandparents' Day if you order on time! Use this link: <https://trinitychristian-23-24.itemorder.com/shop/category/395812/>

CHAPEL NOTES BY SOFIA C., GUEST CONTRIBUTOR TO THE SON TIMES

Date: Nov. 1 **Guest Speaker:** Pastor Garcia **Verses:** John 14:6, Luke 5:1, John 1:43, Matthew 9:9

Jesus is the image of the invisible God. We have to know Jesus to know God. Jesus gathered followers. In Jesus's time, God's people were under the rule of the Roman Empire. They waited for the Messiah to save them from the Roman Empire. Also, when choosing followers, Jesus just picked regular fishermen, not some popular, smart, and cool guys, just fishermen. God chooses you for you! Jesus calls the ordinary you and I. Jesus also calls us personally. He knew us before we came to know him. Jesus approached a tax collector. Back then, people really disliked the tax collectors because so many were "scammers," and they worked for the Roman Empire. Jesus calls for humility (thinking of yourself less, to meet other people's needs more). Jesus is the perfect example of humility! That is a big defining factor of being a disciple. We need to admit that we have sin in our life, and only Jesus could help us. We have got to live in a way where we let go of worldly things and follow Jesus. Jesus wants to have a personal connection with us, and we have to let Him.



At Trinity Christian School, volunteers are needed daily! 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. Toya Thomas 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 WEEKS: NOV. 6-17. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALANDERS AND RESPOND DIRECTLY TO MRS. THOMAS TO GET YOUR DATES LOCKED IN!

MORNING GREETER: Every day, 8:10-8:30 a.m. Open car doors, greet students, and help make sure they enter the building safely.

Monday 11/06: 2 volunteers needed	Monday 11/13: 2 volunteers needed
Tuesday 11/07: 1 volunteer needed	Tuesday 11/14: 1 volunteer needed
Wednesday 11/08: 1 volunteer needed	Wednesday 11/15: 1 volunteer needed
Thursday 11/09: 2 volunteers needed	Thursday 11/16: 3 volunteers needed
Friday 11/10: 2 volunteers needed	Friday 11/17: 2 volunteers needed

LUNCH HELPER: 4 helpers daily, 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Distribute hot lunch orders by grade and classroom, then assist with cleanup.

Monday 11/06: 3 volunteers needed	Monday 11/13: 4 volunteers needed
Tuesday 11/07: 3 volunteers needed	Tuesday 11/14: 4 volunteers needed
Wednesday 11/08: 4 volunteers needed	Wednesday 11/15: 4 volunteers needed
Thursday 11/09: 4 volunteers needed	Thursday 11/16: 4 volunteers needed
Friday 11/10: Early dismissal	Friday 11/17: 4 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 11/06: 3 volunteers needed	Monday 11/13: 4 volunteers needed
Tuesday 11/07: 3 volunteers needed	Tuesday 11/14: 4 volunteers needed
Wednesday 11/08: 3 volunteers needed	Wednesday 11/15: 4 volunteers needed
Thursday 11/09: 3 volunteers needed	Thursday 11/16: 4 volunteers needed
Friday 11/10: Early dismissal	Friday 11/17: 4 volunteers needed

Please contact Mrs. Thomas at tthomas@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.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY REHEARSAL OPEN TO PARENTS

Parents are welcome to attend Grandparents' Day Program Rehearsal Thursday, Nov. 9, 8:40-9:40 a.m. This is a great chance to see your child(ren) perform, as only grandparents and grandfriends will be in attendance at Grandparents' Day, Nov. 10. Because of this, there is NO CHAPEL the day before (Nov. 8).

IMPORTANT WORK! TELL YOUR LEGISLATORS TO SUPPORT HB 4194!

The Illinois Invest in Kids Act is due to sunset (expire) Dec. 31. The last legislative session of the year is upon us. Legislators need to hear from the people who vote them into office. We need to get the Illinois Legislature to remove the sunset on this program that benefits the education of Illinois children – OUR CHILDREN!

You (and your friends, families and neighbors) have the power to make a difference! Just do these simple things:

- EVERY DAY UNTIL NOV. 9, contact your local lawmakers and get four other people to do it with you.** Share this website with your friends and family: www.savemyscholarship.org. Use this link to contact your legislator. It takes under 60 seconds! **Tell them to support House bill 4194.**
- GO TO SPRINGFIELD** to meet with and pressure lawmakers to extend the Tax Credit Scholarship Program! We need supporters like you to attend with us. **Empower Illinois** and other citizens will be there **Nov. 7-9. If you can come, please let Mrs. Deanne Bekermeier know.** Here are the details of what to expect in Springfield:
 - We need you to arrive in Springfield by 10:15 a.m. When you arrive, we will go over what you can expect that day and then you will go around with a member of the Empower Illinois staff who will help guide you.
 - Dress for the weather as we will be inside and outside throughout the day. Wear comfortable shoes as we will do a lot of standing and walking.
 - We will talk to lawmakers about the program as they walk around the capital and in some cases, try and talk to them in their offices. All of this is to advocate for the continuation of the Tax Credit Scholarship Program.
 - Lunch is provided for all attendees.
 - You can expect to leave for home by 3 p.m. at the latest. If your group needs to leave a little early, let Mrs. Bekermeier know and we can talk about if a trip would be worth it.

If you can go to Springfield and would like to go with a group on a bus, please email Mrs. Deanne Bekermeier at dbekermeier@trinitychristian.info. If we have enough people, we will get our own bus.

Most importantly, pray that the Lord will move on our behalf and this program will continue!

DECEMBER HOT LUNCH ORDERING IS OPEN



December hot lunch ordering is open now through Monday, Nov. 20. All orders must be placed and paid for by Nov. 20 at 11:59 p.m. No exceptions. You can find information about the hot lunch program at our website or you can click [here](#). **Please note: The Thanksgiving Luncheon R.S.V.P. deadline was extended to tonight at 11:59 p.m.** We have extended this deadline, as we would like everyone to participate in the feast. To R.S.V.P. for the Thanksgiving feast please click the link [here](#).

BRING A SHOEBOX FILLED WITH JOY



Trinity Christian School students have an opportunity to participate in Operation Christmas Child. We participate in this outreach program each year to bless children around the world. This is a sweet opportunity for your family to work together to give back at Christmas. You may send Operation Christmas Child boxes to the classrooms Nov. 13-17. Students may fill a shoebox with small gifts for a boy or a girl overseas. Our goal this year is to bring in **400** shoeboxes!

CELEBRATING STUDENT BIRTHDAYS AT SCHOOL

At Trinity, we love our students and are excited to celebrate their birthdays with them. Each child is recognized the week of their birthday or half-birthday at chapel. If the child would celebrate with his or her class, school policy is that **no food or candy** are sent to school. Instead, please consider small items such as pencils, stickers, or other fun and creative items along those lines.

Finally, if you are having a celebration outside of school, **please do not send invitations to school with your child unless they include everyone from the class, or every child of the same gender as your child if that is the way you are making plans.** If everyone will not be invited, please share invitations outside of school.



You may find more details in the Parent/Student Handbook you received at the beginning of the school year, on pages 17 and 24. The handbook is also available online at the school [website](#). Thank you for your attention to these matters, for the benefit of all of our students.

Thanksgiving Luncheon

RSVP Form

**Our Thanksgiving Luncheon is coming up
and we need to know whether your
student is ordering a lunch or bringing
their own.**

**Please scan the QR code below to either
order lunch for Thanksgiving Luncheon
OR let us know your student will be
bringing their own lunch.**

Thank you!



You Are Invited To

Grandparents' Day 2023

November 10, 2023



8:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Trinity Christian School
901 Shorewood Drive
Shorewood, IL 60404

RSVP ONLINE AT
bit.ly/GrandparentsRSVP23



— JOIN OUR — **FUNDRAISER** **AT RAISING CANE'S**

**Mention the fundraiser at the register
and Cane's will donate **15%** of sales to:**

Trinity Christian

DATE & TIME:

Tuesday Nov. 14, 2023 from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

LOCATION:

1007 Brook Forest Avenue, Shorewood, IL



CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR, DEC. 2

Crafter and Vendor registration is open! If you are a direct seller, please sign up now through this [link](#) to secure your spot. Follow Trinity's Craft and Vendor fair [Facebook page](#) for updates!



TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PRESENTS OUR 9TH ANNUAL

Christmas CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND

FROM 8:30 AM TO 4:00 PM
901 SHOREWOOD DRIVE - SHOREWOOD, IL

*Gifts, Home Decor,
Candles, Clothing,
Jewelry, Baked Goods,
Wreaths and more*

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FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR
FOR AN APPLICATION

