



Son Times

September 28, 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)

CONGRATULATIONS TO TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL'S STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Congratulations to Trinity's September 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.

This school year, due to growing enrollment at Trinity Christian School, we are adjusting the number of students chosen for Student of the Month. Grade levels with 32 or more students have the potential of two students selected to receive the reward. Grade levels with less than 32 students have the potential to have one student selected to receive the award. Award recipients are recognized each month in the newsletter, at the following chapel, and on Trinity's Facebook page. Students are awarded a Student of the Month certificate and a sign for their yards, as seen in the graphic below. Congratulations to September's Students of the Month, who are listed below!

Kindergarten: Mrs. Mohr—**Gabriella M.** and Mrs. Novinski—**Jack D.**

1st Grade: Mrs. Massow—**Adrianna K.** and Mrs. Jolly—**Anthony W.**

2nd Grade: Mrs. Tucker—**Morgan S.** and Mrs. Behnke—**Michael C.**

3rd Grade: **Eliana W.**

4th Grade: Ms. Zakoor—**Chase G.** and Ms. Osacky—**Helena N.**

5th Grade: Mrs. Westenberg—**Ava B.** and Mrs. Volpe—**London H.**

6th Grade: **Koa T.**

7th Grade: **Sara F.**

8th Grade: **Darrius W.**



WHICH DAY IS YOUR PICTURE DAY?

Picture day is Monday, Oct. 2, for preschool and kindergarten through fourth grade students; and Tuesday, Oct. 3, for preschool, fifth through eighth grade students, and students in fall sports (remember to bring your complete team uniform). Students may wear non-uniform clothes during and after the picture, but it must be dress-down day appropriate. All ordering is done online through the link [here](#). Use school code: 20021201. Parents of eighth grade students, please keep in mind that graduation photos will be taken in the spring as well.



VOTE TCS FOR BEST IN WILL COUNTY!

Do you love TCS? Vote for Trinity Christian Preschool and Trinity Christian School in the Best of Will County Readers' Choice Awards! You can vote once daily from now through the end of September. This is a great way to promote our school in our community! [Vote for Preschool](#) [Vote for Elementary School](#)



Kindergarten - 8th Grade Calendar: Sept. 28-Oct. 6

Sept. 28

HOME Soccer Game
4:15 p.m.

AWAY Girls' Volleyball
Games 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.
at HSRC

Sept. 30

Cornfield Classic 5/6 Girls' Volleyball Tournament at Cross Lutheran
Last Day to Vote for Best in Will County

Oct. 2

Picture Day for PK and K-4

Oct. 3

Picture Day for PK, 5th-8th grade, and Sports
AWAY Soccer and Girls' Volleyball Games
at Kankakee Trinity Academy
4 and 5 p.m.

Oct. 4.

Chapel 8:40 a.m.

Oct. 5

Walk-a-Thon Reward Day
HOME Soccer Game
4:15 p.m.

HOME Girls' Volleyball
Games 4:15 and 5:15 p.m.

Oct. 6

Spirit Gear Day
Walk-a-Thon Reward Day

Important Dates:

October 9

Columbus Day
No School

October 10

Teacher Institute Day
No School K-8

CHAPEL NOTES FROM SEE YOU AT THE POLE BY AUBREY C., GUEST CONTRIBUTOR TO THE SON TIMES

Date: Sept. 9 **Guest Speaker:** Mr. Logan Chagdes **Verse:** Jeremiah 24:13

Sin is what separates us from God. Some ways that we are able to communicate with God is through the Bible and through prayer. Prayer has four main components.

1. Talking to God 2. Talking with God 3. Listening to God 4. Being with God

The difference between talking to God and talking with God is that when you talk with God you are starting a conversation with him. You are then willing to listen to what God has to say to you. We need to trust in God because he will always be with you through thick and thin.

KEEP SICK STUDENTS HOME: All students experiencing diarrhea, fever, or vomiting must be symptom-free, without the help of medication, for 24 hours before returning to school. All students sent home with any of these symptoms will be excluded from class until they have been symptom-free for 24 hours. For example, a child who throws up at 11 a.m. must stay home until at least 11 a.m. the following day.



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: OCT. 2-13. 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 10/02: 1 volunteer needed	Monday 10/09: No school
Tuesday 10/03: 1 volunteer needed	Tuesday 10/10: No School
Wednesday 10/04: 1 volunteer needed	Wednesday 10/11: 2 volunteers needed
Thursday 10/05: 3 volunteers needed	Thursday 10/12: 3 volunteers needed
Friday 10/06: 0 volunteers needed	Friday 10/13: 3 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 10/02: 1 volunteer needed	Monday 10/09: No school
Tuesday 10/03: 1 volunteer needed	Tuesday 10/10: No School
Wednesday 10/04: 0 volunteers needed	Wednesday 10/11: 0 volunteers needed
Thursday 10/05: 2 volunteers needed	Thursday 10/12: 4 volunteers needed
Friday 10/06: 0 volunteers needed	Friday 10/13: 2 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 10/02: 4 volunteers needed	Monday 10/09: No school
Tuesday 10/03: 2 volunteers needed	Tuesday 10/10: No School
Wednesday 10/04: 4 volunteers needed	Wednesday 10/11: 4 volunteers needed
Thursday 10/05: 4 volunteers needed	Thursday 10/12: 4 volunteers needed
Friday 10/06: 4 volunteers needed	Friday 10/13: 4 volunteers needed

Please contact Mrs. Thomas at thomas@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!

NEED TO EMAIL A STAFF MEMBER? FIND THEIR EMAIL HERE:

<https://www.trinitychristian.info/about/faculty-staff.cfm>

VOLUNTEER AT VOLLEYBALL AND SOCCER TOURNAMENT!

Trinity Christian School is hosting the ICC volleyball and soccer tournament, Oct. 19-21. The elementary and junior high girls' volleyball tournament starts Thursday and continues through the day Saturday. The soccer tourney is Friday and Saturday only. There is a lot of activity involved in supporting this tournament and the demand for volunteers is great! We need help with admissions, concessions, hall monitors, line judges and more. Would you please help? This is a great weekend opportunity for volunteer hours. Please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or email volunteercoordinator@trinitychristian.info if you are interested in helping out. You may also contact Mr. V at 815-577-9310, ext. 313, or email jvugteveen@trinitychristian.info. Thank you!

APPRECIATE YOUR PASTOR WITH BREAKFAST

Trinity Christian School honors our wonderful pastors, here, Wednesday, Oct. 25, 8:30-10:30 a.m. Something new... this year we begin the morning with a special chapel service led by our first graders and dedicated to the pastors. We then invite our pastors and clergy to stay for an Appreciation Breakfast that will be served immediately following the chapel! Two invites will be sent home with your youngest child on Friday, and **the R.S.V.P. deadline is Friday, Oct. 20**. Please help us spread the word and show our TCS love to those in the ministry. We will have more invitations in the front office just in case you need them. Any questions? Please contact Mrs. Toya Thomas at 815-577-9310, ext. 315, or tthomas@trinitychristian.info.



SEEKING CRAFTERS AND VENDORS FOR TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL'S CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR, DEC. 2



Crafter and Vendor registration is currently open for TCS families, which includes a \$5.00 discount! If you are a direct seller, sign up now to secure your spot. Check out the flyer on pg. 5 for more information. Make sure to follow Trinity's Craft and Vendor fair [Facebook page](#) to stay updated!



NEW TEACHER: FEATURE OF THE WEEK

We welcome **Mrs. Joyce Westenberg**, our new fifth grade teacher! Mrs. Westenberg has 21 years of teaching experience, working in the public school system as a science teacher, media specialist, and digital learning coach. She has been married to her husband Mark for almost 40 years and together they have one son, two daughters, and eight grandchildren. Her hobbies include her family whether they are cooking together, having a bonfire, swimming, kayaking, having family game night, or traveling. She also enjoys reading, sewing, and painting. Mrs. Westenberg is a member of First Christian Church in Morris, where she teaches a boys' first through fifth grade Sunday school class.



SAVE THE DATE FOR PTM'S TRUNK OR TREAT

WHO: TCS FAMILIES WHAT: PTM'S ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT

WHEN: SATURDAY, OCT. 21, AT 4:00 P.M. WHERE: TCS PARKING LOT

WHY: TO ENJOY TIME IN FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHER TCS FAMILIES



TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

We are still looking for substitute teachers for the 2023-2024 school year. If you or someone you know is interested the position, please forward a completed application along with your resume to: Trinity Christian School, Attn: Jon Vugteveen, 901 Shorewood Dr., Shorewood, IL 60404. Applications may be found [online](#) or in the front office.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS: We seek reliable substitute teachers. 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 certificate 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.

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When:

October 19, 2023

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PRESENTS OUR 9TH ANNUAL

Christmas CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND

FROM 8:30 AM TO 4:00 PM

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FOR AN APPLICATION

