

The Trinity Times

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Hoskins, Nebraska



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Monday, December 10, 2018

Important Dates:

December 11: Bel Air Visit

December 15: Christmas Eve Service Practice 9-11am

December 16: Tour of Homes 2-5pm

December 18: Hot Lunch from Wheelers

December 21: Hot Lunch by parents. Thank you Josh and Sarah!

December 21: Christmas Carolling to homes in Hoskins

December 22: Christmas Service Practice 9-11am

December 24: Christmas Eve Service- Meet in Miss Smith's room by 6:30pm

No Sunday School December 30

"It was at this time that He went off to the mountain to pray, and He spent the whole night in prayer to God." - Luke 6:12

Do you ever find yourself unable to sleep? Most of us do at one time or another. Whenever I fight the restlessness, just tossing and turning and trying to go back to sleep, I find myself exhausted the next day. But sometimes I have enough sense to recognize that perhaps it's the Lord that's awakened me.

I will get up and start pouring out my heart to God. And you know what? Those impromptu sessions in the middle of the night are some of my most rewarding times. These moments create an opportunity to have un-rushed time alone with God. I'm able to hear His voice and understand His guidance. It's like He speaks in a special way where I haven't really been hearing Him. And I treasure those times (even though I sometimes am slow to recognize that I need to get up and get out of that warm bed). As a bonus, I don't wake up exhausted, but refreshed.

Realize God blesses you greatly when you spend regular time alone with Him. Take advantage of opportunities that present themselves, no matter what time of day or night they may be; it may just be that God is trying to squeeze some one-on-one time into your busy schedule!

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for letting me come to you, night and day, with my troubles. Help me to continue to realize that you will always listen to my prayers. Amen.

Christmas Eve Service Practices: December 15 (Snacks- Tiffany and Miss Smith), **and 22nd** (Snacks- Melanie and Sarah). **All practices 9-11am.** There will be about 40 people at our Christmas Service practices. We are asking for a healthy snack, sweet treat, and drinks.

Reverse Advent Calendar: Reverse Advent Calendar is a twist on the regular Advent calendar with an act of kindness added. We will be collecting items for a local food bank throughout the month of December. We also want to help families prepare their hearts for the celebration of the Savior's Birth. The calendar lists students' names when they can bring a foodbank item to school (not required) as

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well as Bible readings for you to read as a family to prepare for Christmas. The Bible readings are based on the readings for a Jesse Tree which journeys through the family line of Jesus.

December 9: Exodus 12

December 10: **Justus** Exodus 20

December 11: **Cameron** Joshua 6

December 12: **Hadley** Judges 6-8

December 13: **Allisyn** Ruth 1-4

December 14: **Riggins** 1 Samuel 10-12

December 15: 1 Samuel 16-17

December 16: 1 Kings 18

December 17: **Kaylee** 2 Kings 18-19

Christmas Tour of Homes:

December 16, 2018

2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

\$15 per ticket

Meet at Trinity Lutheran Church to start the tour. Tickets can be purchased from Rochelle Sellin, Sarah Sellin, Jamie Koepke, or can be purchased the day of the tour. We will have some baskets that will be raffled off. Raffle tickets will be \$2 per ticket or \$5 for 3 tickets. If you have any questions please call or text Jamie at 402-841-4830.

Homes on the tour include:

Connie Behmer

Cindy Doffin

Kayla Lange

Rochelle Sellin

Sarah Sellin

Bel-Air Visit: Thank you, Stacey for driving for us on Tuesday. We will be doing an abbreviated version of our Christmas Eve Service that day. Please have your child dress in slightly dressier clothes than a normal school day- or send an extra outfit or shirt for them to change into after recess. We will be putting the finishing touches on our ornaments this week.

Hot Lunch: Hot Lunch from Wheelers is on **Tuesday, December 18th.**

Singing in church: Our next singing opportunity will be during the Christmas Eve Service.

Fruit of the Spirit: December's Fruit of the Spirit is **Joy.**

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Christmas Cards for sale: Trinity Lutheran School is selling sets of Christmas cards after church on Sundays as a fundraiser for our school. If you'd like to purchase during the week, see your child's teacher.

Christmas Gifts: We decided to start collecting items for our foster children bags that we will be putting together in January or February. **We are asking each student to bring a fleece blanket to school by December 21st.** We will be adding these to the bags we make for children entering the foster care system. Watch for sales in various stores- Walmart had them for \$2.50. If you have questions, please see Miss Smith.

Box Tops for Education: Please remember to clip and save Box Tops again this year. There is a box at the information center in the church hallway to put these in, or just drop them off with a teacher and they will get them to the appropriate place.

Monthly Calendar: The calendar is able to be viewed on our website at www.trinityinhoskins.com under the school heading. You can also put this link into the URL bar in order to access the calendar: <http://bit.ly/2bFggBX> Our hope is that this will make it easier for parents to access event information and dates as well as sending reminders about upcoming events. Please let Miss Smith know if you have any questions.

Saints Basketball:

Boys practice on Tuesday and Thursday this week.

<p>Pastor Rixe: 402-750-3765 rrix@trinityinhoskins.com</p> <p>Douglas Peavy: 414-324-3953 dpeavy@trinityinhoskins.com</p> <p>Joanna Smith: 507-272-3841 jsmith@trinityinhoskins.com</p>	<p>Hymn: Hosanna to the coming Lord!</p> <p>Hosanna to the coming Lord! Hosanna to the incarnate Word! To Christ, Creator, Savior, King Let earth, let heav'n hosanna sing.</p> <p>Hosanna to the Light of life! Who overcomes our sin and strife! We see the glory of God's Son Who full of grace and truth has come.</p>
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Classroom Information

Lower Room News

Our schedule should be somewhat normal this week, other than Bel Air service on Tuesday. We will only have the final touches to finish on our ornaments for the residents, so we will be able to keep a normal daily schedule.

Memory Treasures will be a few Christmas songs and Spelling tests will be normal. Kindergarten may get to their last SuperKid by the end of the week, it will be depend on how our week progresses.

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We have been working through the Jesse Tree and Proclamation Tree which help us prepare for Christmas as we read Old Testament verses and their New Testament fulfillment. We have been using the Advent Wreath during afternoon devotions. The students have enjoyed watching both our wall trees fill up with pictures and ornaments.

Upper Room News

Our Christmas service practice on Saturday went well. Thank you to everyone who brought snacks!

This week should be normal in our classroom. Spelling and penmanship lessons are unit 15.

In Christlight we will be looking at the death of John the Baptist.

Note: There is a small mistake in the December memory treasures sheet. I accidentally placed treasures for the 10th and 17th. Since we already know verse 5 of Angels from the Realms of Glory and Joy to the World, I am excluding those 2 from the sheets.

Have a great week!