

The Trinity Times

Trinity Lutheran School
Hoskins, Nebraska



Contact Information

Trinity Lutheran School
212 W Fourth St. PO Box 100
Hoskins, NE 68740

Phone: 402-565-4517

facebook.com/tlschoolhoskins

Monday, November 16, 2020

Important Dates:

November 17: Wheelers Hot Lunch

November 22: Children Sing in Church- 10am "Yours Forever God of Love"

November 25: 12:00 Dismissal

November 26-27: No School

December 2: 2:00pm Dismissal

December 3: Board of Education-7:00pm

December 23: Christmas Eve Service Practice- ALL (We will not have Saturday practices this year)

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.
Psalm 46:1

The Lord is Our Refuge

"Christianity is a crutch for the weak."

This is the atheist's argument against putting one's faith in the God of the Bible. They argue that anyone who depends on anything other than themselves is feeble.

Medically speaking, a crutch is a tool the injured use for support.

Only the wounded need crutches. But here's the thing: somehow, somehow, we are all wounded. We all need help. Some just choose crutches other than Christianity.

When we don't feel good about ourselves, where do we turn for assurance? We have enough options to choose from: earthly goods, food, alcohol, drugs, money, work. The problem with many such crutches is that they offer only temporary reprieve and often only mask much deeper issues of the heart.

The heart of the issue is that we are all sinners in desperate need of saving. And the only one who has the power to help us is Jesus Christ. He took up our infirmities. He carried our sorrows. And by his wounds, we are healed.

God graciously allows us to go through hardship so that we seek the only one who can help. When we seek Jesus in our struggles, he finds us in his Word.

You say, "I'm too tired." ... Jesus says, "I will give you rest."

You say, "I'm all alone." ... Jesus says, "I am with you always."

You say, "I don't know where to turn." ... Jesus says, "I am the way."

You say, "I've had enough." ... Jesus says, "My grace is sufficient for you."

You say, "I'm afraid." ... Jesus says, "My peace I give you."

You say, "I can't forgive myself." ... Jesus says, "I forgive you."

You say, "I have my doubts." ... Jesus says, "Whoever believes in me will never be put to shame."

One famous Christian named Saint Augustine, reacting to the sufficiency of Jesus, observed, "Lord, you created us for yourself. And our hearts are restless until they find rest in you."

What was his point? Nothing satisfies like Jesus Christ.

Prayer:

God, you are my refuge and my strength, a helper who can always be found in time of trouble. I gladly count on you as my crutch.

Amen. (wels.net)

School Information

Hot Lunch: Our next scheduled **hot lunch is Tuesday, November 17th from Wheelers.**

Daycos Donation: We have exciting technology news! Angie R applied for a technology grant earlier this year through her employer, Daycos. We received word this week that they approved our grant for over \$1,500. We will be using these funds to purchase Amazon Fires and Osmos (check out playosmo.com). We had 3 chromebooks arrive that were purchased using CARES Act money allocated to schools. We hope to be getting more tablets and Chromebooks through GEER (Governors Emergency Education Relief). We will let you know when those arrive.

Christmas Eve Service: At this time we are planning on going ahead with a children led Christmas Eve Service. We will begin working on the speaking parts and hymns in school and Sunday School. We have reduced the length of the service and speaking parts. We will have the congregation participate in more hymns. There will only be **one** practice on December 23rd. We have 12:00pm dismissal that day and Winside does not have school so we will schedule our practice when all the students are here and those children who attend Winside can join us. This is to eliminate spreading germs during what was our normal Saturday practices.

Masks: The current plan to wear masks until Christmas. As stated 2 weeks ago, this is to help families stay safe and allow families to go about their relatively normal lives. If we wear masks and a student/teacher in the K-4 were to have a positive COVID case, the whole class would NOT have to quarantine. With a lack of substitute teachers, we know the reality of cancelling school because Miss Smith gets sick is a possibility, however, it would not mean you have to quarantine. With Thanksgiving and Christmas approaching, we especially do not want to have families get sick or be “stuck” in quarantine.

Veterans' Day: In the past we have participated in Bel Air Nursing Home's Veterans' Day service. Since we are unable to attend, we will be recording two songs, writing letters, coloring pictures, and sending candy filled water tumblers to the veterans that live and work there. We will also be making gifts for the veterans that are members of Trinity.

Thanksgiving Meal: The decision was made at our recent Board of Education meeting to cancel our Thanksgiving meal. With families in quarantine, a big surge in local cases, and social distancing logistics, we found it too difficult and risky to host a large meal at this time. We will be starting a food drive for local food shelves in the next week. This is something we've done in the past as part of our December, but we will start it earlier this year. We are considering a few ideas of a family meal in the spring (possibly Easter time).

Box Tops for Education: We receive money for Box Tops items you purchase in the store or online. Please select our school when you use the app and scan receipts. We also still save clipped Box Tops if you have items that still have them on it. There is a box at the information center in the church

School Information

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.

Saint Sports: We are invited to participate with St. Paul's Lutheran School and their sports programs. These usually start at 4th grade. They are currently not having sports.

<p>Joanna Smith: 507-272-3841 jsmith@trinityinhoskins.com</p> <p>Karen Stromquist: 402-841-1422 mrs.stromquist.tinytots@gmail.com</p> <p>Pastor Rixe: 402-750-3765 rrix@trinityinhoskins.com</p>	<p>(Hymn) Yours forever, Lord of life! Shield us through our earthly strife. You, the life, the truth, the way, Guide us to the realms of day.</p>
--	--

This is our last full week of school for November. We will work on getting caught back up after our snowday and getting things in order before the busy month of December gets here.

Klndergarten: Math- Geoboards and graphs

Reading- We will finish our Icky book and start our T letterbook. .

1st Grade: Math- We will be working on telling time and liquid containers

Reading- We will work through Unit 5 in our reading books this week.

Spelling- Unit 12

2nd Grade: Math- We will be working on putting two digit numbers in order.

Reading- We will work on Unit 5 this week.

Spelling- Unit 12

English- Pronouns

4th Grade: Math- We will continue to work on multiplying double digit numbers and adding decimals.

Reading- Cricket in Times Square

Spelling- Unit 12

English- Pronouns

School Information

Christ Light: "Jesus Teachers about Love" and "The Faith of the Captain."

Newsletter in a nutshell (Pastor will be using this information to communicate with the congregation what things we have going on at school, feel free to share this same information with your friends and family.)

We sent small gifts and two recorded songs for our friends at the Bel Air Nursing Home for Veterans' Day. Thank you to all our veterans for the sacrifice for our country and freedom! We are not having our annual Thanksgiving meal, however, we will be having a food drive for local food shelves. If you would like to add to our donation a box will be in the school hall.