

Trinity Times

October 5, 2026



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TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL 2026-2027

Important Dates:

October 4: Children Sing in Church 10:00am

October 5: Bedtime Story Night- Doors Open at 6:45pm

October 6: 7:30pm Board of Education meeting

October 7: K-4 2:00pm Early Dismissal

October 12-14: No School

October 15: Field Trip to Poppy's Pumpkin Patch

October 16: End of Quarter 1

October 21: K-4 2:00pm Early Dismissal

October 28: K-4 2:00pm Early Dismissal

October 30: No School- K-4 P/T Conferences

Weekly Devotion

These short devotions are taken from the weekly church sermon theme. Not only are they good reminders for our spiritual lives, they serve as a way to connect our church and school. The logo is the overall theme for the church season..



The Beginning of the End- It's Time to Speak Truth to Power

Sometimes people get braver when they realize they are nearing the end. They speak things they couldn't or wouldn't say before, even to the powerful, because they realize they have nothing to lose.

The message of repentance and forgiveness of sins through Jesus' death on the cross has many powerful enemies. Sometimes those enemies are religious people, rebellious spirits and heretics. Sometimes those enemies are people of this world who worship their own personal desires and glory in their shame.

It doesn't matter how powerful the enemies are. God persists in speaking his truth and drawing our eyes to his Son, who will help us persevere to the end and speak truth to power.

Trinity Lutheran Church

Sunday School: 9:00am Sundays

Worship: 10:00am Sundays

Services are also available online on our website the week following each service: TrinityinHoskins.com

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School Information

This Week:

- Sunday, October 4: Children sing in church with NELHS choir
- Monday, October 5: Bedtime Story Night
- Tuesday, October 6: Board of Education Meeting- 7:30pm
- Wednesday, October 7: K-4 2:00pm Early Dimissal
- October 12-14: No School

****THIS WEEK!** Bedtime Story Night:** Save the date and share with a friend! October 5th! We'd love to have you join us for our Bedtime Story Night. This is one of our favorite events of the year! We invite families with children Birth- Grade 4 to join us at 6:45pm. We'll also have popcorn, music, and a devotion from Pastor Rixe.

Singing in Church: Our next singing Sunday will be October 4th. This will be a special singing Sunday as we'll get to sing with the high school traveling choir from Nebraska Lutheran High School.

Golf Classic: We are very grateful the rainy weather stopped long enough for us to have our Golf Classic last weekend! We are very excited to have raised \$9,266 for Trinity's tuition assistance! What a blessing! The combined grand total for all 5 churches was \$18,944! We would like to thank our sponsors: Rod Doffin, Rollin Coal Trucking, Hoskins Mfg., Anonymous, Gnirk Family Farms, Yellow Diamond Trucking, Daycos, Marotz Highland Farm, Marotz Trucking, and Northeast Nebraska Federal Credit Union. We would also like to thank those who represented our school on the course: Josh and Stratton Sellin, Carter Krause, Mace Maguire, Rod Doffin's team, Kelsy and Bo Westberg, and Margo and Craig Reeson. A thank you to those from our congregation/community who donated prizes: Heidi Rixe, Tiffany Prothman, The 108, Bowers Ag, Dewey and Stacey Gubbels, Hoskins Mfg, Angie Ruskamp, Rollin Coal Trucking, Joan Brudigan, and Fair Play Golf Course. We are blessed with wonderful generosity! Thank you! Mark your calendars- next year's golf tournament is September 26, 2027.

Poppy's Pumpkin Patch Field Trip: Save the date for **October 15th**. We'll leave school about 8:30 am after everyone is in a vehicle. We'll leave the pumpkin patch at 11:30am. More information will be available as we get closer.

K-4 Early Dismissals: We have added some additional early dismissals this year to help us have constructive meetings, better communicate, and be more purposeful in our planning. The next early dismissal days are:

October 7

October 21

October No School Days:

- October 12-14
- October 30

K-4 Hot Lunches: Wednesday, October 28- The 108

School Information

Chapel Offering: We have selected the mission in Senegal, Africa as our offering beneficiaries. First semester offering will be collected each Thursday during chapel to support the special new ministry. We hope to have pictures and more information to share with our students soon.

Chapel Services: We will have weekly chapel services on Thursdays at 8:30am. Children are invited to bring an offering each week in their reusable offering envelope. This is not required, but it is a good way to start teaching children about showing our thanks to God for all he has given us.

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 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.

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Ms. Smith's Room News (K-4)

Grade 3-4 will be finishing the last of their MAP tests this week on Tuesday and Wednesday. Book-it started on Thursday. I would like students to read 15 minutes per day for 20 total days. Have your child color or X out each day they complete the 15 minutes. Parents need to sign the calendar at the end of the month to vouch for their child's reading that month.

You're invited to join us for Friday Family Lunch! 12:00-12:30pm. Bring your own lunch and a creative mind- some of our questions get quite silly.

Christ Light will be on Monday and Wednesday night. "Jesus and the Samaritan Woman" and "Jesus Preaches in Nazareth."

Memory Treasures on Tuesday- Friday this week. Remember the Bible reference!

Spelling Tests this week on Wednesday and Thursday.

Kindergarten Math: Comparing Objects (less, more, fewer)

2nd Grade Math: Bar graph and tally marks

3rd Grade Math: Estimating (Reading Directions Carefully)

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4th Grade Math: Multiplication

Kindergarten Reading: Letter T

2nd Grade Reading: Adjectives

3rd Grade Reading: What Do Illustrators Do

4th Grade Reading: Coming Attractions

Music: God Created Music

Social Studies: Beginning of Nebraska History

Mrs. Stromquist's Room News (Preschool)

“Serve one another humbly in love.” — Galatians 5:13

Jesus LIVED for me. Jesus DIED for me. Jesus ROSE for me!

 **Jesus Time:** Last week, we learned about Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden and the first sin. This week, we will learn about Cain and Abel and how God continued to show love to Cain, even after Cain sinned.

Cain had some BIG feelings! Instead of listening to God and handling those feelings in a loving way, Cain let anger and jealousy grow in his heart. Through this story, we will learn that we can take our worries, frustrations, and big feelings to God in prayer. He loves us, listens to us, and forgives us when we sin.

Be sure to ask your kiddo about “the wrinkled heart.” 

 **Feelings & Choices:** Preschoolers have BIG feelings—and adults do too! This week, we will talk about recognizing and naming emotions such as happy, sad, angry, frustrated, worried, and excited.

We want our little ones to understand that having a sad, angry, or frustrated feeling doesn't make them “bad.” What matters is what we choose to do with that feeling. We'll connect this to our Red & Green Choices as we practice healthy ways to express ourselves, use our words, ask for help, calm our bodies, pray, and show love to others—even when we are upset.

  **It's Fall, Y'all!** A new season, a new month, and a new theme!

I see leaves, scarecrows, candy corn, and PUMPKINS in our future! We will explore the colors, textures, sights, and changes that make fall such a fun season for learning.

If anyone has access to pumpkins, we would LOVE some for our classroom! We plan to investigate, dissect, compare, create, and even paint with them. 

 **Math:** Fall gives us so many opportunities for hands-on math! We will continue practicing counting, sorting, comparing, patterns, same/different, and beginning addition and subtraction. Pumpkins, leaves, seeds, and other fall treasures make perfect math manipulatives!

 **Language & Literacy:** Our letter learning this week will focus on T and C. We will practice recognizing each letter, hearing the sounds it makes, finding it in familiar words and names, and practicing how to form it.

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Our fall theme gives us plenty of opportunities to hunt for our letters—T is for tree 🌳 and C is for candy corn 🍬! We'll continue strengthening our phonological awareness through songs, rhymes, stories, sound games, and lots of playful practice with words.

🏠 **Family Connection:** Talk about feelings together this week! When your child has a big feeling, help them name it and ask, "What green choice can we make with this feeling?" You can also remind them that they can always talk to God in prayer about how they are feeling. ❤️

Newsletter in a nutshell (Pastor will be using this information to communicate with the congregation regarding the upcoming events at school, feel free to share this same information with your friends and family.)

We are excited to sing with the NELHS choir this morning! K-4 is in the middle of MAP testing, and they are working hard to do well. Preschool learned about the Sneaky Snake (the devil). Our Bedtime Story Night is Monday, October 5th. We hope you'll join us! Our fall break starts after school on Friday, October 9th. We have a teachers' conference in Colorado Sunday- Tuesday. We look forward to learning and connecting with other WELS teachers.