

# Trinity Lutheran School Newsletter

## December 9, 2025



### Tiger Tidbits

### Calendar of Events:

Thursday, December 11	Student Handbells, 2:15pm
Friday, December 12	Chapel, 8:15am B-Team Basketball/Bethany @MLHS ECE Christmas Program, 3:30pm Live Nativity at Stone Prairie, 5/6/7:00pm Youth Group Event, Noon/Commons
Saturday, December 13	
Sunday, December 14	
Wednesday, December 17	All School - Caroling 8:45am Heritage, 9:30am Garrow, 10:15am Westhaven

### CHAPEL 8:15 am - Fridays

12/5/25 OFFERINGS: \$25.59

Year to Date: \$352.11

All are welcome to join us each Friday.

### DECEMBER EARLY DISMISSAL

Wednesday, December 17, will be our next 1:30pm release day of the school year. Extended care and after care will be available that afternoon. Please take a moment to fill out the short survey below to let us know whether or not your child(ren) will need care that afternoon.

Survey Link: [forms.gle/WJdA2xMqSToBT8iY9](https://forms.gle/WJdA2xMqSToBT8iY9)

### ANNUAL P.I.E. BRAT FRY

Trinity is hosting our annual PIE Brat Fry and Bucket Raffle on Sunday, January 11, 2026, and we need your support to make this event a success! The event features both dine-in and takeout options following the 9 a.m. service. Funds raised from this event are used to support future fellowship opportunities, church and school improvements, and youth trips.

#### How You Can Help:

We are seeking volunteers, financial contributions, and items for the bucket raffle.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- ♦ Grilling ♦ Set up ♦ Serving ♦ Clean up

#### Donations Needed:

- ♦ Financial donations to cover the costs of the brat fry.
- ♦ Bucket raffle items.

The deadline for collecting all raffle items is Sunday, December 21.

#### Get Involved

If you are interested in volunteering, making a monetary donation, or contributing a bucket raffle item, please contact Sara Van Lanen at (920) 470-0688. Thank you for your help in making this a great event!

### WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL MAROHN

Peace is a word we hear often in our world today in various contexts. Politicians talk about peace treaties between nations. Celebrities, leaders, organizations, and activists frequently advocate for world peace. People give the peace sign with their fingers and put PEACE bumper stickers on their cars. We especially see many peace decorations in offices and homes at Christmas time.

Yet we live in a world with much unrest. We hear of wars and rumors of wars. Politicians fight, activist protests are not always peaceful, and American cities are full of crime and violence. Mental health in youth and adults alike is at an all-time low. Our world is far from peaceful.

In the search for true peace, there is only one place to look. We look to the manger in Bethlehem to our Savior. This is the only place where peace can be found. Jesus came into this world to live the perfect life we could not live. He went willingly to the cross to take the punishment our sins deserved. Finally, he conquered death so that we, too, could have life after death. In Jesus, we have peace.

Jesus leaves us with his promise in John 14:27, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

So whatever you are struggling with today, pain, anxiety, fear, worry, doubt, sickness, sadness, or anything else that is troubling you. Turn to Jesus, your Savior. He is the only source of true peace. In him, you have peace that will last forever!



## WELSSA SELF STUDY TEAMS

The WELSSA Accreditation process begins with a self-study by the congregation and school based on 15 standards. The Fifteen Self-Study Standards for Lutheran Elementary Schools are intended to serve as a benchmark of quality by which WELS elementary schools can measure themselves. These standards reflect a Bible-based philosophy of education, reflect sound educational principles, and help schools maintain a high quality of Christian education. The primary reason why a school proceeds through a rigorous process of school accreditation is to improve. Every WELS school strives to serve God and His people in the very best way possible. When a school evaluates itself based on the Self-Study Standards, blessings for the school and its students will result.

Self-study teams are formed to evaluate Trinity Lutheran School's ministry (4K-8th grade) in relation to the standards. The self-study teams will determine if each standard is fully met, partially met, or not met. The team will also identify evidence to support their decision. The team will do this for each standard included in their section of the self-study. Once the team has completed this process for each standard, they will then identify strengths, areas for improvement, and recommendations for the ministry at Trinity to improve in this area.

Please consider signing up for one of the 15 self-study teams. Please share your full name, email address, and phone number, either through the online sign up, or on the sheets in the office hallway. If you would be willing to lead a team, please let Mr. Marohn know. Training will be provided for all team members.

If you have any questions about the self-study process, please contact Mr. Corey Marohn.

[c.marohn@trinitybrillion.org](mailto:c.marohn@trinitybrillion.org) / cell: 920-860-9785)

Online Sign-Up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080F45AFA92-BA75-60501223-welssa>

As we prepare for our site visit next year -  
**Trinity is looking for  
Self Study Team Members...**



Sign-Up Sheets in Office Hallway or Online

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## YOUTH GROUP - DECEMBER 14

Students in grades 8-12 are invited to join on Sunday, December 14, in the Trinity Commons, at noon. Bring a \$5-10 gift to exchange and join the group to complete two service projects, enjoy pizza & have devotion together.

## FUNSET BOULEVARD FUNDRAISER



Join us for a night of fellowship and fun for a good cause. Trinity will be hosting a "Funset Boulevard Night" in Appleton on Thursday, February 12th from 4pm until 8pm. All family, friends, and guests are welcome to attend. Attendees will need to purchase a wristband in advance.

Wristbands will be sold for \$4.00 each. Wristbands give you unlimited access to bumper cars, the carousel, the playground, the train, and Laser Force Laser Tag. Wristbands also get you a large one-topping pizza and a pitcher of soda for \$19.95, a savings of over \$5.00. Just show your wristband when ordering.

Proceeds from the sales of the wristbands will be used to offset Christmas present purchases for families in need. \$2.00 from each wristband sold will be donated to this cause. The 7th and 8th graders at Trinity will be purchasing and wrapping these presents to be delivered to families, along with a Christ-centered Christmas card made by the students. Trinity families, friends, and guests will be able to enjoy a night of fellowship and fun all while supporting others in need. Galatians 6:10 reminds us, "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers."

Please return the bottom portion of the form (and payment) to the Trinity office as soon as possible. Forms can also be found on the table in the office hallway or on the bulletin board as you enter our school doors. Wristbands will arrive in February to be picked up in the school office.