



# High Flier

## November 20, 2009

*The mission of Holy Trinity Lutheran School is to reach out to families and children with the Good News of Jesus through a Christ-centered, loving, and forgiving environment of academic excellence.*

From the Director:

### **Holy Trinity Lutheran School...Is it worth it?**

I heard on the news the other day that a 10-year-old boy has made headlines at his school because he refused to say the Pledge of Allegiance. At a very young age he is taking a stand. His position is that there should be "liberty and justice for all"... and our country violates this pledge if gays are not allowed to legally marry.

How far will our society allow things like this go? What choices do we have if God continues to be eliminated from daily life? Lutheran schools are critical in a day and age when the trends are headed away from church, away from the truth of the Bible, and away from the very principles our nation was founded on. Holy Trinity Lutheran School teaches the Truth of God's Word and adheres to the principles and standards as set by Scripture. We believe that we are to follow God's commands to be salt and light to the world (Mt 5:13-16), and not allow our minds to become futile in our thinking (Eph 4:17-19).

But is it worth it? Educating children at Holy Trinity is not cheap. The cost for a non-member grade-school student is a little more than \$4,000.00 per year. When families can send their child to school for free, who would consider paying that much for an education? After all, it's all the same, isn't it?

To answer that let us ask a few questions. Is an education just simply textbooks and routines? Is there more to school than a grade card and a standardized test score? Do I value teaching

and an environment that is immersed in sound Biblical doctrine? Are my kids really safe? Do the relationships that are formed have any bearing whatsoever on my child's future?

Obviously schools are much more than textbooks. Schools teach kids behavioral norms, social rules, ethics, morals, values, etc. They impact every part of the learner including the physical, social, psychological, spiritual, and emotional. The financial cost of putting a child in an environment that is saturated with the promise of the resurrection pales in comparison to the eternal cost of a lost soul. Holy Trinity Lutheran School is privileged daily to create an environment that has eternal implications.

What loving parent would not want that for their child? What parent would put a price tag on the values that are instilled for a lifetime? What parent wouldn't want their child to be engulfed in a day filled with a faith-based support system that reinforces what they are teaching at home? Whatever the cost, Holy Trinity Lutheran School thinks children are worth it.

May God continue to send us families who value the message of the cross and empty tomb. May Holy Trinity Lutheran School continue to shine the light of Christ in this community and beyond.

*The task before us is nothing compared to the power behind us.*

To God Be the Glory,

Bill Hiskey, DSM

**Restaurant Night –**

Mancino's – Tues, Nov 24, 5 – 8pm

**The final Scrip Order before Christmas Break is due Dec 8<sup>th</sup>!** Orders and checks need to be in the office by 10:00am. The Fundraising section of the web site has all vendor information and order forms. [www.htlsbg.com](http://www.htlsbg.com)

**Harvest Parties** will be held

in classrooms the last day before Thanksgiving break,

Tuesday, Nov. 24th –

11:00am for Preschool 3 and

2:00pm for K-6 classes.

Preschool 4 and MWF

Preschool 3 will have their parties on Monday,

Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00am. **NO School November 25,**

**26, 27 -- Happy Thanksgiving!**



**ONE NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM**



Save the date for Sunday, Dec. 13 and be sure to “journey through Bethlehem” any time between 4:30 and 8:00pm here at Holy Trinity. Any families that would like to help or be part of our village should speak with Miss Linhardt, our

Kindergarten teacher. We are also looking for students who would like to be part of our float for the Christmas parade held downtown on Dec. 5.



**Advent by Candlelight** – a special

pre-Christmas program for

women in the congregation, the

school and an outreach into

the community, will be on

Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. The program begins at

6:00pm but come by 5:30pm for fellowship and

to see the beautiful table settings. **All HTLS**

**mothers, aunts, grandmothers and special**

**friends are welcome.** Our preschoolers will be

performing for this event. Don't miss it!

**The Mitten Tree** is up again. Help decorate the

tree with mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, and

sacks. These items will be taken to the

Salvation Army for Christmas gifts. Tree will be

up until Dec. 16. The mitten tree is sponsored

by HTLC's LWML.

**Babysitting for Christmas shopping!** Drop the

kids off here on Dec. 19 from 1-5pm and go get

your Christmas shopping done. The youth of

Holy Trinity are offering this as their fundraiser.

A suggested donation of \$25 for the afternoon

is requested. Activities will be planned for the

entire time. To reserve a spot contact Heidi

Lindsey at 270-991-1473.

## Parenting Tip

November 19, 2009

### A Lesson in Honor

Honor changes kids, but sometimes it's hard to communicate its importance to children. One way that you can teach honor is by modeling it as you extend hospitality to others.

We live in a compartmentalized society. Many of the entertainment options today decrease interaction between people and leave them feeling lonely. It's an honor to be invited over for dinner or for an evening of games and activities.

Opening your home is an excellent way to extend grace and honor to others and it's good for your kids. Talk with your children about who you're going to invite and why. Plan the evening together and talk about how you'll treat your guests as special. Afterwards, talk about how things went and emphasize the positive things that happened and how you all worked together to show honor to others.

1 Peter 4:9 gives an interesting command to believers. "Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling." Use that verse before, during, and after to help your children understand the benefits of honoring others.

So, who can you invite over this week? Not only will you bless others, but also you'll be blessed yourself. And your kids are always watching and learning.

*For more practical ideas on developing honor in your family consider the book [Say Goodbye to Whining, Complaining, and Bad Attitudes, in You and Your Kids](#) by Dr Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller, RN, BSN.*

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