

Monday October 20th 2025

Trinity Lutheran School Nicollet

*Trinity Lutheran School proclaims the love of Jesus Christ by partnering with parents to prepare students for this life and eternity.*

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**Breakfast Menu:** All breakfasts are served with fruit and milk.

Monday: Mini cini rolls, Tuesday: Cereal Bar, Wednesday: Graham Crackers, Thursday: Poptart, Friday: S'mores Bar

**Hot Lunch Menu:** All Lunch is served with a fruit, vegetable and a milk. Monday: Pizza, Tuesday: Soft Pretzel, Wednesday: Ham & Turkey Sub, Thursday: Chicken Nuggets, Friday: Italian Dunkers

Chapel Mission: Our current offering is up to \$244.74. This semester our missions will be going to the Central African Medical Mission.



Oh My Soul!

Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School  
Praise the Lord, my soul; and forget not all His benefits.  
Psalm 103:2

## Principal notes:

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### Our Week in Review: Things we learned

- First and Second Field trips complete. What an adventure. Our First was for the lower graders to the Fire Hall to talk with two Trinity Dads who know their way around the station. Peter Finken lead us through battery safety and then talked us through the clothes a firefighter wears. Then we all got to experience a tour of the trucks and experience first hand how a fire extinguisher works. The kids asked amazing questions and even the little ones counted all the trucks at the Fire Station (8 total).
- Second, the whole school went to Ferguson's Apple Orchard which was a blast. We were able to ride on a wagon, pick apples, and play and play and play some more. Lunch was magical under the willow trees and gave us pause to thank the Lord for all blessings. Then on to the Yellow Barn. We only had 25 minutes, and we made it! Everyone got a sweet treat and they enjoyed all the sights inside with the free smells of apple pie. Back on the bus, many crashed hard with lots of closed eyes and calm quiet as we rode home.
- This week is short but also packed with learning and a fun activity to connect our kids to the community we live with a raking party for 4 homes. Wednesday we have lunch and then early release at 12:50 with Busing.

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### Looking Forward: Things to know

- PLANNING: Freshman for a day is coming up on October 20th from 8:45-2pm. We will take three 8th graders to MVL to check out what a day at high school is like.
- Check the weather. As the days start to dip cooler please make sure you have hoodies, sweat shirts and light coats for kids on the playground. It's not yet hats and mittens weather but it will be here sooner than you expect.
- Trunk or Treat: Come support our School and Church with your own Trunk. Here are some early decoration ideas; ----->

### Dates to remember: Plan ahead

10-16+17: **NO SCHOOL** [Teachers Conference at MLC](#)

10-23-25: VISION and HEARING

10-24: **End of the Quarter - Grades will be coming out.**

**SCREENING**

10-31: Parent Transport/No Hot Lunch

END OF OCTOBER, will be basketball sign up. 3rd through 8th Grade. More info coming.

## Life in Middle School

Mr. Ritter

**Week Six and Seven:** The weeks are starting to merge together. Quarter one is almost over and it feels like school started last week. Report cards and parent-teacher conferences will be coming up in the next couple of weeks.

**Reading:** 5th - 8th are all finishing up their first novels of the year. To wrap up this novel study the students have been working and will be working on their theme park projects into next week. We also were able to watch part of the movie "Holes" during our half day.

**Typing:** The students have taken a liking to a typing game called Nitro-Type. This online game involves racing their friends with their own preferred car by seeing who can type the fastest. Most free time they have is filled with a slightly annoying yet productive clicking of 16 keyboards.

**Math:** Nothing exciting is happening in math. The students get a different set of 30 problems to complete everyday. However, we did have our first round of Meet Math on Monday. Meet Math is a math based competition put on by MLC. Every year a group of their students get together and invent tricky problems for grade school and high school age students to attempt to solve. WELS grade schools around the country submit their top scores to MLC and the highest performing school at the end of the year receives an award.

## Mrs. Biedenbender's Room

We enjoyed our field trips last week! We had such good weather for both of them!

**Math:** 3rd graders have been adding, subtracting, and counting dollars and cents; 4th grade has been learning about fractions and subtraction word problems.

**English:** 3rd and 4th graders have been doing great with classifying sentences. We put our grammar knowledge to work this past week by writing creative stories.

**Reading:** We finished our novel this week. We have had some good conversations about how sad it was for the main character in our story coping with the death of his friend as an unbeliever, compared to the comfort we have as believers in the promise of being reunited with our loved ones again in heaven!

**Christ Light:** We learned that even though Joseph had many troubles in his life, God had big plans for him! Thank you for having your child read their Bible story to you when they bring them home, usually Monday and Wednesday nights.

**Social Studies:** We learned about the characteristics of the different kinds of climates.

**Music:** We have been working on our song "By Faith", which we will sing in church on Sunday, Oct. 26. The children love this hymn, but are struggling a little with memorization. They are bringing home a copy of the text, so any help you can give them reviewing at home would be greatly appreciated! Thanks! 😊



Thank you Peter Finken and Adam Aschenbrenner, for showing us around the fire station, and teaching us about fire safety!

**Mrs. Gronholz's Room:** The Fire Station visit was so awesome for all. We listened, learned and are thankful for our fire department. We returned and found we have books to help us learn about fire stations! The Field Trip to the apple orchard will be another awesome learning experience.

**Grade 2:** We started reading a Mercy Watson book last week and we are looking forward to finishing it in the coming week. In Math we used a thermometer, wrote math fact families and played an Attribute Train game. We classify sentences and write our own sentences with adverbs and adjectives to make them more interesting. We do notice adverbs as we read!

Math next week includes some assessment pieces. In Super Kids Reading we continue our third unit but no spelling test this week due to a short week. We are reading, writing opinions and growing our vocabulary daily. Spelling words for next Thursday, October 23rd are - **lifted, lived, pushed, pulled, school, friend, people, outside, more, all, years and should..**

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Grade 1: In Math last week we brought out the scales and the first graders giggled as they saw which item was heavier. We are also learning to add doubles!

In Reading we read and sang an interesting story rhyme about Golly. This coming week we continue completing addition fact sheets. Math is fun! Unit Three in Reading will include reading a story called "Fiddlesticks". Our spelling words will be tested on Thursday, October 23rd and will be - **bubble, little, candle, pickle, do, have, show, how, me, and a.**

May God bless your weekend and our week together!

## **Mrs. Schmudlach's Kindergarten and First Grade Classroom**

**Christ Light:** *Joseph becomes ruler in Egypt and Joseph's brothers come to Egypt.* Everything that happens in our lives turns out for our good.

**Math K:** Scarecrow counting book, writing numbers 1-25, and story problems using Counting bears

**Reading K:** Unit 5: Doc. We are learning our 3rd consonant, *Dd*, and working on some sight words.

**Writing K:** "Ouch Stories" continue

**Science K and 1:** Why are pumpkins so popular every Fall? How do lizards regrow their tails?

**English 1:** Continuing work with words to describe the noun...adjectives!

**Art:** Painting Acorns for Fall...then adding colored tiles!

**Music:** A Ram-Sam-Sam, song for church-*By Faith*, and some rhythm stick songs. We are also learning to sing Luther's Morning Prayer.

### **Coming Up:**

**Wednesday:** Raking Day! Please send a labeled rake with your child.

**Early Dismissal at 12:50 PM.**

**Thursday and Friday of this week:** No School for Teacher's Conference.

**October 24:** End of 1st Quarter and Trunk and Treat!

**October 26th:** Sing in Church

Handwashing can get wild!



Just hanging around!



## PRESCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Kelly

WE HAD SUCH A GREAT TIME on our two trips last week, to the fire station and the apple farm! This short week we are reviewing some of the things we've learned so far, and doing some assessments to see what we know. We're planning to wrap up our short week with some pumpkin fun.

NEXT WEEK we'll be learning about the short <e> sound, like in elephant. Show and tell for that sound on Wednesday will be a bit challenging!

OUR BIBLE STORY this week has been about Joseph - the sad story about how his brothers were jealous of him and sold him. Joseph had a lot of sad times, but better times are coming - and we'll hear about some of them next week.

WE ARE GETTING READY TO SING IN CHURCH on October 26. We're excited about the song "By Faith," and we hope that all our preschool (and big) friends will be able to join us that day. Please mark your calendars!



We had fun at the fire station, and learned not to be afraid of a firefighter in all his gear.



The apples at Ferguson's were HUGE and so yummy!



New Ulm  
5-7:30  
PM

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# PIZZA Ranch

**OCTOBER 28, 2025**

Come support Trinity Lutheran School from 5-7:30 pm at New Ulm Pizza Ranch. A portion of the evenigns procedes will go to the school.



A handful of Students and parents are needed to help bus tables. If you are willing to help, please be at Pizza Ranch at 4:45!