



# Upon This Rock

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## *Principal's Letter*

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Have you heard of the 1% Rule? It goes like this: "Put a little more TIME with a little more ENERGY with a little more EFFORT with a little more {FOCUS} = BIG RESULTS!

Think about parenting and the 1% rule—you could provide both love and accountability; you can be demanding without being mean; you can create clarity with your child and generate focus, and you can inspire him/her.

Think about being a student and the 1% rule—with five weeks remaining in the year, if students put a little more time, energy, effort and focus on their studies the results will be HUGE! They will be more prepared for next year—especially 8th graders moving to high school and kindergartners moving to first grade.

We think about the 1% rule all the time. If we teach a little more here and a little more there, our students will be ready for anything!

Blessings,  
Mr. Landgrave

### **Thought of the Week:**

Live in such a way **that those who know you**  
but don't know God **will come to know God**  
because they know you.

## **Please Support Food Drive**

Trinity's Lutheran Women's Missionary League is having a food drive from now to the end of the school year. We'd like to have the school children help.

All items will be donated to Uptown Ministry in Chicago. Our goal is to gather 100 items each week from now to May 30. Each week we'd like to concentrate on just one kind of food. This week we would like each student to bring a **can of vegetables**.

There is a large box in the lobby for your donations. Thank you for sharing!

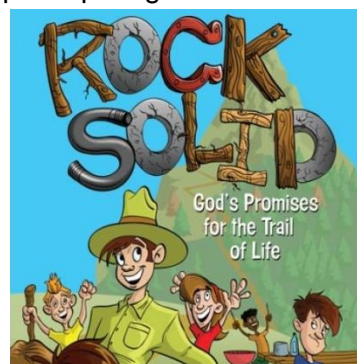


## Food Collection

## **All-School Musical is May 5**

Trinity Lutheran School will be presenting the musical "Rock Solid" on Friday, May 5, at 2 and 7 p.m. in the school gym. The musical is about God's promises for the trail of life.

Suggested cost of admission is one canned good. The cans will be collected and delivered to an area food pantry. Make plans to join us! Preschool through 8th grade will be participating.



## Own Some Trinity History

Ms. Haak cleaned out the gym closet and discovered some hidden treasures!

In the school lobby is an assortment of uniforms from Trinity's past—some as old as 30 years! There are jerseys, shorts and cheerleading uniforms.

Come check out these pieces of history and take home a blast from the past. Items are just \$5 per piece and can be purchased in the school office.



## Upcoming April Dates

- 4/25 Chess Club, PAWS/PTL 6:30 p.m.
- 4/26 Chapel, Soccer Shots
- 4/28 Box Tops Store, PAWS/PTL Trivia Night 7:30
- 4/29 Mrs. Ball's birthday
- 4/30 Preschool – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade sings at 11 a.m. service

Check the end of the newsletter or [click here](#) for Trinity's May calendar.

## Students to Sing at Contemporary Service

Trinity's students who are in preschool–2<sup>nd</sup> grade are scheduled to sing at the 11 a.m. contemporary worship service on **April 30**. If you have a child this age, please plan to attend to hear him/her sing!

## Join Us for a Night of Fellowship, Food and Fun

Everyone is invited to the SABOR LATINO (Latin Flavor) Ministry Dinner at Trinity Church on Sunday, April 30, from 5 – 8 p.m. Discover, experience, and learn about the exciting ministry based at Iglesia San Pablo (St. Paul's Church) in Aurora. This is the ministry we support with Christmas gifts for kids, which our 8<sup>th</sup> graders deliver. We also collect food for them, and a percentage of our Christmas program offering goes to them.



This ministry is very grateful for all we've done, so they're hosting this dinner event to show their appreciation to Trinity. Please come and put faces to the people we've been helping for years. Enjoy entertainment from the San Pablo musicians, a devotion by Pastor Alex Merlo and a wonderfully catered meal from a San Pablo member who owns a Mexican restaurant.

**Please RSVP by Sunday, April 23** by calling the church office at 708.839.1200 or by signing up on the sheet in the church narthex.



# PAWS News and Upcoming Events



## Trivia Night

With the enormous success of our previous trivia night, we've been asked to put together another trivia night. So here you have it: Papa Passero's will once again be the meeting location for our trivia night on **Friday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m.** The address is 6326 Cass Ave. in Westmont. The cost is \$25/person and includes a wide variety of pizzas, soda and a very entertaining night of trivia!



Will there ever come a time that the teachers don't win? Come give it a shot! We hear Mrs. Hansen may be losing her "ringer" for this round so there may be a chance! Teams need not be formed prior to the event. There's always plenty of opportunity to form your team or jump on a team when you get there.

Please sign up in the office so we can order enough pizza for the night! [Click here](#) for a flyer.

## Box Tops Store Update

Box Tops store has moved its after school turn in from April 21 to April 28. This gives everyone another week to Clip some Box Tops!



## Final PAWS Meeting and Food Sampling

The final PAWS quarterly meeting of the school year is on Tuesday, April 25 at 6:30 at the school. We've scheduled WT Café to come present their school lunch program. We're always looking for ways to add more nutrition (and value!) to our lunch program. WT Café will share how they structure their menu, how the ordering and payment process works, and they'll bring food samples!

We haven't contracted with them—this is for informational purposes only, but we'd welcome your thoughts on their food and their school lunch program!

Also, we will be discussing opportunities for improving the school and discussing costs associated with some of the suggestions we've received already. Water station improvements, playground improvements, and a new refrigerator for student lunches are all up for discussion.

## Trinity Fundraiser

We have officially kicked off The 2017 Trinity Color Run! Students have been given a packet of information that includes the following:

- information on collecting pledges and turn in dates
- volunteer information for any parents/family members interested in helping with the event
- ways in which sponsors can donate.

If you have not seen your student's packet, please notify the front office. The first early turn in date is just around the corner on April 24 with special treats in store at that turn in!

Our goal is for each FAMILY to raise \$250 in pledges, and the money will be utilized for technology improvements at the school (i.e., Chromebooks), playground improvements and other enhancements to the school that will benefit the overall educational experience at Trinity!

## Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 1–5. We have a lot of fun ways to get our students and families involved in this week-long celebration! Information will be sent home with the students soon with daily themes and ideas on how to make the days a bit brighter for our wonderful teaching staff. And don't let the kids fool you, they have as much fun with the week as our teachers do! [Check out our flyer](#) for more information.



## Help Support PAWS Fellowship Hour

Trinity's preschool-second grade students sing at the 11 a.m. church service on Sunday, April 30, and PAWS is sponsoring the fellowship hour between church services.

If you would like to donate a special treat to share, you can drop it off in the school lunch room on Friday, April 28. You may also bring it to church on Sunday, April 30, but please have it there by 8:45 a.m.!

Please send a fast direct message to PAWS and let us know if you will be providing something so we can plan ahead. Thank you!



## Trinity Lutheran Church & School May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Teacher Appreciation Week  DEADLINE FOR TRINITY COLOR RUN SPONSORSHIP FORM /PAYMENT AND VOLUNTEER FORM	2 Teacher Appreciation Week  3:15p.m.-4:15p.m. Chess Scholars	3 Teacher Appreciation Week  Chapel Day, Grades K-8 11:30a.m.-12:05p.m. 3:15p.m.-3:50p.m. Soccer Shots	4 Teacher Appreciation Week  2:00p.m. Early Dismissal Faculty Meeting	5 Teacher Appreciation Week  2:00p.m. 7:00p.m. All School Musical "Rock Solid" School Gym	6 9:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Polish School  Service time: 6:30p.m.
7 Service times: 8:30a.m. 11:00a.m.  1:00p.m. Confirmation	8 Second EARLY TURN IN DATE FOR TRINITY COLOR RUN DONATIONS! PRIZE DAY!	9 8:20a.m.-3:00p.m. Track Meet, Grades 6-8 at Concordia  11:45a.m.-12:30p.m. All School Popcorn Tuesday (free during lunchtime)  3:15p.m.-4:15p.m. Chess Scholars	10 Chapel Day, Grades K-8  Track Meet Rain Day	11	12 Fun Fridays Hawaiian Day  Great America Field Trip  1:30p.m. 8 <sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing Ruffled Feathers Golf Club Lemont	13 9:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Polish School  Service time: 6:30p.m.
14 Service times: 8:30a.m. 11:00a.m.	15	16 3:15p.m.-4:15p.m. Chess Scholars  5:30p.m. Sports Award Night School gym	17 Chapel Day, Grades K-8	18 Final Exams, Grade 8  6:30p.m. Early Childhood Celebration	19 Final Exams, Grade 8  Trinity School Color Run 2017	20 Mrs. Hansen's Birthday  9:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Polish School  Service time: 6:30p.m.
21 Service times: 8:30a.m. 11:00a.m.	22 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to D.C.	23 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to D.C.  3:15p.m.-4:15p.m. Chess Scholars	24 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to D.C.  Chapel Day, Grades K-8	25 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to D.C.  Final Exams, Grades 6-7  Last day of School for 3year & 4year Preschoolers!	26 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to D.C.  Final Exams, Grades 6-7	27 Service time: 6:30p.m.
28 Service times: 8:30a.m. 11:00a.m.	29 <b>Memorial Day</b> Mrs. Geaschel's Birthday  NO SCHOOL	30 8:30a.m. Prayer Walk  Clean-up  All School Picnic & Pie Throwing at Mr. Landgrave  2:00p.m. Early dismissal	31 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!  8:30a.m. Chapel & Awards  11:00a.m. Early dismissal  6:00p.m. 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Ceremony			



# May 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 2017

Students & families -

Our annual **Teacher Appreciation Week** is almost here! Join us each day beginning **Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> to Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** to thank our teachers for all that they teach and do for our children.

We would like to show how much we love our teachers by having students bring in a token of their appreciation to class each day.

## **Treat Monday -**

"treat" your teacher to something nice or bring them their favorite "treat"

## **Encouraging words Tuesday -**

let your teacher know your favorite thing about him/her. Write a special message(s) on the attached sheet. Drop your note in the mason jar on your teacher's desk.

## **Act of kindness Wednesday -**

give them a hug or bring them a handpicked or handmade flower

## **Classroom Thursday -**

stock up your teacher's classroom with school supplies that are low or be a great classroom helper for the day

## **Handmade Friday -**

make a craft with your very own "hands" or write a "handwritten" note

teachers who **love**  
*teaching*  
teach children to  
**love**  
*learning*

- Robert John Meehan

### **A few notes:**

- Items are meant to be small gestures
- Items do not need to be expensive, free and from the heart is what our teachers love best!
- Participation is optional
- You may also pick and choose which days you participate

We hope you join in the fun to make this an extra special week for our great teachers!

If you have any questions, feel free to send a Fast Direct message to the event coordinator,

Gina Tarnowski, or P.A.W.S.

Thank you!

P.A.W.S.

