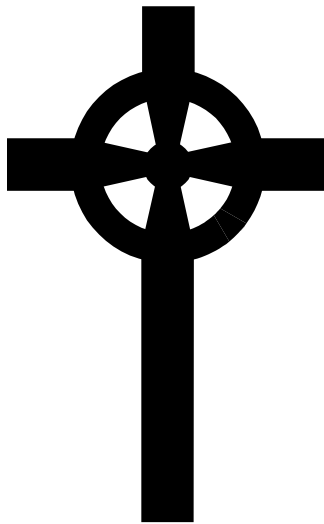
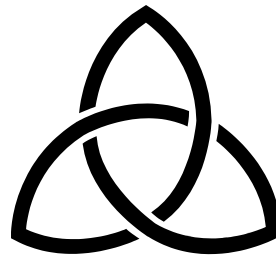


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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church's Sunday Church School (SCS)!

It's time to start another year of Sunday Church School for children ages 3 years old (as of 10/31/2017) through 6th grade. There are a few changes this year (please see Pastor Jen's note at the end of this letter). Attached is the **2017-18 Registration Form**. Please complete the form as soon as possible and return it to the church office by September 1st.

Our team of teachers, assistants and special event coordinators are preparing for the 2017-18 season and praying for a wonderful year of learning, worship and fellowship with our students. Your child's spiritual development and education is a priority. It is the church's privilege to assist you in fulfilling your baptismal promise to your child(ren) by providing this formal instruction in their Christian faith.

Rally Day will be held on Sunday, September 10th (see note from Pastor Jen on the back of this letter), and the SCS calendar will be available, please take a copy and note the many events that will occur throughout the SCS 2017-18 season.

Parents: We need you to work with us - as outlined in the SCS Parent Responsibilities form. Many parents stepped up and ran events this past year and did a great job! Your participation enables flexibility within the program and also offers relief and support to the SCS teaching staff. Please consider how you can participate in this ministry and let us or the church office know you're available. When we do not have a regular teacher assigned to a grade, parents will be scheduled to prepare and teach on a rotating basis.

God asks all of us, through Word, Sacrament, and Holy Spirit, to bring Jesus into our lives daily. Please prayerfully consider volunteering your time and work with the SCS in some capacity. We will need your help and we hope you find working with SCS a fulfilling and rewarding experience.

If you have any questions about the SCS program or can help with our children's spiritual education and development, leave a message for Jeanette through the church office: (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com).

Yours in Christ,
Jeanette Baldanza,
SCS Superintendent

A NOTE FROM PASTOR JEN

Dear Parents,

We are blessed here at Trinity by the gifts and commitment of our Sunday School teachers, helpers and other staff who are vital to helping our children learn and grow in their lives of faith. Their faith-filled witness welcomes and invites all into the love and grace of Christ.

We are thankful for your commitment as well to the promises that you made at your child's baptism to help them grow in faith and understanding of God's presence in their everyday life. The greatest influence on a child's faith is the example of their parents and guardians.

Here at Trinity, we seek to continue our own commitment to the formation of the faith of all people. We want to support, guide and help the people of God to live their faith daily. Gathered as a community of faith, we share our faith struggles and joys, our hopes and our doubts. The gift of community enables us to live fully as God has created us to be.

During this upcoming year, we will be using the curriculum, "Living the Word", which uses the same weekly readings as the scripture readings that are used during worship. The weekly bulletin insert and a handout sent home with the children will build on what we all heard that morning. You will be invited to use those resources as a part of your reflections together as a family.

Our Adult Faith formation between services will also use studies built on these readings .

Rally Day will be Sunday, Sept. 10th and we will still have one service at 9:30 AM (**our regular worship schedule resumes on Sept. 17th with worship at 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM**). During worship, we will bless our teachers as they embark on this journey of faith with your children. We will be asking the children to participate in this blessing.

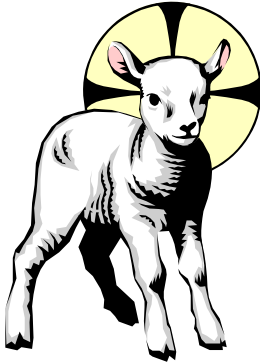
Following worship, we will be having a ***special Intergenerational Faith Event*** for all. Please plan to stay for this event as it will set the tone for us to all grow in faith together during the coming year. Watch for more details in the Trinity weekly as well as September's Trinitarian.

We travel this journey of faith together. We long to find the ways in which God's story found in the Bible is connected in real ways to our own lives of faith today. Let us join together in this exploration as a community of faith.

Peace in Christ,

Pastor Jen

SCS PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES



As our children begin another year of study of their Christian faith in the Lutheran church, it is important that we as parents remind ourselves why Sunday Church School is so important and of the vows we took for them at their baptisms.

Please review the following points and initial each in the spaces provided to indicate that you agree to them. This form is to be returned with your child's SCS registration paperwork and payment. Please see Jeanette Baldanza if you have any questions.

- _____ 1. Please be aware that a parent/guardian must be in the church building during the SCS hour--no drop offs or parking lot waiting, please. For days on which there is no Sunday School scheduled, attending worship as a family is strongly encouraged.
- _____ 2. One parent per family is asked to sign up to assist with one of the major SCS events which take place during the year. These include Advent Festival, Lent Event, Promotion Sunday, etc. A group of parents will sign up for each event and take care of one area of the event. Sign-ups will take place on **Rally Sunday**, which is September 10, 2017.
- _____ 3. Children have great energy. Our teachers understand and work with this love of life that our kids exhibit. **However, if a child is disruptive or hurtful to other students or the teachers, the child will be taken up to his/her parents. The child is welcome to join his/her SCS class the next week.** Please realize that bringing a child to his/her parent(s) is a last resort and only comes after multiple chances have been given to the child to participate appropriately in class.
- _____ 4. Finally, here is a vow that we as parents took for our child/ren during the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Please recommit to your child's faith as we enter another faith and fun-filled year on our journey with Christ.

In Christian love you have presented these children for Holy Baptism. You should faithfully bring them to the services of God's house, and teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As they grow in years, you should place in their hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for their instruction in the Christian faith, that, living in the covenant of their Baptism and in communion with the Church, they may lead godly lives until the day of Jesus Christ. Do you promise to fulfill these obligations?

Family Name

Parent/Guardian signature

Date

Please initial, sign, and attach this to your completed registration form pages 1-2. Thank you.

PLEASE FILL IN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION (Print Clearly)

Child (1) Name:	Child (2) Name:
Any allergies?	Any allergies?
List & Describe Reactions:	List & Describe Reactions:
Food restrictions?	Food restrictions?
List Food:	List Food:
Medical concerns?	Medical concerns?
Describe:	Describe:

Child (3) Name:	Child (4) Name:
Any allergies?	Any allergies?
List & Describe Reactions:	List & Describe Reactions:
Food restrictions?	Food restrictions?
List Food:	List Food:
Medical concerns?	Medical concerns?
Describe:	Describe:

Please provide additional information we should know (i.e., learning/physical disabilities, etc.) regarding your child (ren) so we can better meet their needs:

List the person(s) authorized to pick up your child(ren) - Preschool (age 3) through 3rd Grade only:

Children in Preschool Program:

Is your child(ren) toilet trained and can use the bathroom unassisted? ____

Parent or guardian must be available to attend to your child's bathroom needs. Teachers will no longer be handling this personal necessity.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO READ, SIGN, AND ATTACH THE SCS PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES PAGE (PAGE 3 OF 3)

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL (SCS) 2017-18 FEE

The following fee applies to all students preschool (age 3 by 10/31/17) through grade six. Students in the three-year Affirmation Program (grades 7, 8 & 9) will receive a separate notice and should not be included when registering your child(ren) for Sunday Church School (SCS).

Each Child.....\$30.00*

(*No child will be denied participation in our Sunday School Program should the fee create a hardship on a family. If this is the case, please contact Pastor Jennifer Boyd before submitting this registration.)

Please send in your registration form to the church office **by September 1st**, before **Rally Day, September 10, 2017** so that we can order, and have available, sufficient lesson materials for the first day of instruction.

Students in **4th through 6th** grade must bring their Bibles to SCS each week.

_____ ***A parent or guardian must be present in the church building the entire time their (parent initials) child(ren) is/are attending class at Sunday Church School.***

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL (SCS) REGISTRATION FORM 2017-18
(Please Print Clearly)

Parent's Name(s): _____ **Trinity Member? (Y / N)**

Address: _____

Town State Zip

Phone: _____ Email: _____

(1) Child's Name: _____ D.O.B. _____ Grade as of 9/16 _____

Date & Place of Baptism _____

(2) Child's Name: _____ D.O.B. _____ Grade as of 9/16 _____

Date & Place of Baptism _____

(3) Child's Name: _____ D.O.B. _____ Grade as of 9/16 _____

Date & Place of Baptism _____

(4) Child's Name: _____ D.O.B. _____ Grade as of 9/16 _____

Date & Place of Baptism _____

PLEASE COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE

FAITH FORMATION COVENANT

As a community of faith, we seek to enable, strengthen and guide each other as we live out our faith in our daily lives. Through the ministries of Faith Formation (formerly Christian Education), we commit to helping each other grow in understanding about who we are in our relationship with God in Christ Jesus.

We commit with parents and sponsors in living out the promises that were made at the baptism of their children.

As you brought your children to receive the gift of baptism, you were entrusted with responsibilities:

*To live with them among God's faithful people,
Bring them to the word of God and the holy supper,
Teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
Place in their hands the holy scriptures,
And nurture them in faith and prayer,
So that your children may learn to trust God,
Proclaim Christ through word and deed,
Care for others and the world God made,
And work for justice and peace.*

SPECIFICS OF PROMISES

Children

Pray for their parents and teachers
Ask parents about their highs/lows, praying for them
Regular participation in class, which also includes:
Respect for teacher and each other
No electronics while in the church building (for example: games, phones, etc.)

Parents/Guardians

Pray daily for child
Share Highs/Lows of each day, praying for what is shared
Regular participation in Sunday formation classes/groups
Remain in the building while children are in class
Help children make connections between their faith and their daily lives

Congregation

Pray for each child
Prepare teachers and assistants to share the Biblical story
Provide Resources for use at Church and at home
Special gatherings (Rally Day, Reformation day, Advent Festival, Mardi Gras, Lent Event, Promotion Sunday)
Faith Milestones:
Bibles (3rd grade; Sept.)
Communion (4th grade; Lent)
Affirmation (7th & 8th grade)

Through the grace of God, we make a commitment to this Covenant of Faith Formation.

Child _____

Parent/guardian(s) _____

Teacher(s) _____

**WELCOME TO
SUNDAY
SCHOOL!**

