

**Trinity Lutheran School, Cedar Rapids, IA**  
**TO KNOW CHRIST, TO MAKE CHRIST KNOWN THROUGH EDUCATION!**

*“God is my rock”*

*“My God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation. He is my stronghold, my refuge and my savior.” 2 Samuel 22:3*

Dear Parents,

With the upcoming 2009-2010 school year fast approaching, I and the staff felt that some important information needs to be shared. The theme for the year will be **“God is my rock”** based on the bible reference in 2 Samuel 22:3. What a marvelous thought. If you read the entire portion of the verse you quickly realize the purpose of God’s relationship with us. It is valuable for us to remember this verse. As we go about our daily lives we come in contact with many issues and influences that could sway our purpose to our brothers and sisters in Christ. Our **rock** is the **Lord**, He is our salvation, and from that is where we gain strength; the strength needed to give aid and comfort to others, the strength needed to place ourselves in harms ways for the sake of others, the strength to go to God in prayer. As is mentioned in scripture, I encourage you to always pray, praise and give thanks!

**Trinity’s first day of school for children in K – 8 grades is Wednesday August 19<sup>th</sup>.**  
**August 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> school will be dismissed early at 2:00PM.**

**Listed below are a number of school-related items to help keep you up to date.**

**ITEMS:**

**Orientation Night:** Orientation Night is being held on Thursday, August 20, 2009. The activities will begin in the gym at **6:30 PM**. After devotions; staff introductions and a brief informational meeting after which everyone will be dismissed so that they can visit with their child’s teacher and classroom. We are planning two sessions with each class, 7:00 and 7:30 PM, in the event that some families have more than one child. There will only be one session for 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents from 7:00-7:30 PM. Mr. Mueller will go over all of the activities and dates the 8<sup>th</sup> graders need for the school year.

**Tuition Payments:** The first payments for those paying monthly are due the week of August 3-7, 2009 and will be considered late after August 10, 2009. Tuition and lunch fee payments for those not using the monthly plan in PK - 8<sup>th</sup> are due August 3, 2009. If you are paying annually, the payment can be made anytime in July or August before the first day of school. **We can do automatic deduction for monthly or even twice-monthly payments.** There is no additional cost for this service to you or the school. Just complete the enclosed form, attach a voided check and return to the office. You may also set up to use your credit card for monthly payments. If you have questions completing the correct form, call Pat Ehler in the church office at 366-1569 x 221.

**Tuition Contracts:** Your 2009-2010 contracts are included in this mailing. Please sign and return with your August tuition payment.

**Bus Requests:** Trinity will run two of our own buses, one on the East side and one on the West side of Cedar Rapids. If you have not completed a bus service request form for next year, please do so by August 7, 2009. Bus request forms are available in the school office. Parents will be notified by the week of August 10, 2009.

**Physicals:** **Students in grades K, 1st, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and new students**, are required by the state of Iowa to have a current physical form in their files at the beginning of the school year. The form is included in this mailing. **Students in grades 4-8**, participating in sports (including cheerleading), will need a physical. Physical forms must be received prior to sports participation. **All students, Preschool – 8 grade** are required, by the state of Iowa, to have an updated immunization and dental card on file in the office before the beginning of the current school year.

**Preschool's First Days of School:**

Preschool (4s) 8:30 AM – 11:15 AM Wednesday August 19, 2009  
 Preschool (3s) 8:30 AM – 11:15 AM Thursday, August 20, 2009  
 Preschool (4s+) 12:15 PM – 3:00 PM Monday, August 24, 2009

**Extended Care:** Extended Care is a before and after school program open to all students Preschool – 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Hours before school are 6:30 AM – 8:15 AM. Hours after school are 3:15 PM – 6:00 PM. Extended Care is offered most half days. It is a pre-pay program and pre-registration is required before use. Please see Kirsten Swain, the Extended Care Director, for questions and fees. [swaink@trinitycr.org](mailto:swaink@trinitycr.org)

**Fees**

*Lunch fees:* \$378.00 per year (\$2.25 for students) \$37.80 per month/10 monthly payments  
 \$3.00 for guests  
 \$5.00 monthly fee for those taking cold lunch (with doctor's medical note)  
*Life Skills:* \$15.00 (Grades 7 and 8)  
*Tuition:* See Tuition Fact Sheet in this mailing.  
*Bus Donation:* Suggested price for this donation is \$20.00 per student/per month.

**Clothing Swap Days & Spirit Wear Ordering:** Mark your calendars...on August 3, 8am-6pm and August 4, 8am-noon, you can come to school and find dress code approved FREE clothing and order TLS spirit wear. The school office will be open during this time to pay tuition and lunch fees. (If you have clean, gently used dress code clothing to donate please drop them off at the school office **BY JUNE 26<sup>th</sup>** or bring to the Clothing Swap.)

**Meet YOUR faculty:** Trinity is blessed to have a fantastic teaching staff, who are dedicated to giving their best to YOUR student(s). We have reorganized our Junior High level homeroom teachers and know this change will maximize all our teacher's skills. We will still have our Junior High students moving among our gifted staff for various subjects. Your teachers for 2009-2010:

**Trinity's Annual Golf Outing:** August 29<sup>th</sup>, Quail Creek, North Liberty. 9AM shot gun start. 4 – person, best ball. Register by August 20<sup>th</sup>. Fall picnic is scheduled for September 18<sup>th</sup>.

Preschool—Ms. Tracie Payne  
 Kindergarten—Mrs. Mary Becker  
 First grade—Mrs. Lois Nord  
 Second grade—Mrs. Joan Tietz  
 Third grade—Mrs. Karen Kroemer  
 Fourth grade—Mrs. Donna Quick

Fifth grade—Mrs. Kris Boyles  
 Sixth grade—Mrs. Josie Hester  
 Seventh grade—Mrs. Kelly Fischer  
 Eighth grade—Mr. Mark Mueller  
 Art & Life Skills—Mrs. Judy Schroeder  
 Music, Band, PE—Ms. Leslie Drees

The summer office hours are Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The school office will be closed from June 26<sup>th</sup> – July 15<sup>th</sup>. Voice mail will be checked throughout the summer. You may also contact the church office with questions.

Blessings on the rest of your summer!

Serving Together,

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