



The Kingsman

September 25, 2009

2009-2010 Theme: "Christ is our Cornerstone" Ephesians 2:20, 21

PARTNERS IN PARENTING

From Julian Petzold, Principal

"Tell Your Children 'No'!"

Hebrews 12:1-13 addresses the issue of discipline. It would be good to read the whole section, but I want to share just a small portion: Hebrews 12:11 says, "*No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.*"

David Walsh has written a book about the need for parents to say "no" more often to their children. He has many reasons that I cannot completely list here. I do want to share a paragraph that he wrote for the summer 2009 "Shaping the Future" magazine from the Lutheran Education Association.

"All kids, even youngsters who never plan violent video games or watch crude movies, get a constant drumbeat of media messages promoting "More, Easy, Fast, and Fun." Our students, and we ourselves for that matter, are constantly told that whatever we have, we need more of it. We are likewise bombarded with messages that everything should be easy and fun. Our kids are exposed to over one million "yes" messages a year, giving rise to an epidemic engulfing more and more of our children. I call it DDD - Discipline Deficit Disorder. The symptoms include distraction, disrespect, impatience, a need for instant gratification, inflated expectations, self-centeredness and rampant consumerism. The constant barrage of "More, Fast, Easy and Fun" messages undermines crucial character traits for success, including self-reliance, respect, integrity, and the ability to delay gratification. In short, they make it very hard for our kids to learn the key to success, happiness, and spiritual growth: the ability to say "no" to themselves."

I have not read the entire book, but I believe in what I've seen so far. I want to encourage all parents to say "no" when it is best. That is like most discipline - it doesn't seem pleasant at the time, even if it is best for us.

Check out the book at www.mediafamily.org.

ALL TUITION and FEES through September are due by Wednesday, September 30!

As has been shared in the past few weeks of the Kingsman, all accounts must be paid in full by the last day of the month. Mr. Petzold will be calling you personally if you have a balance due. This is a necessity as we work to maintain the financial stability that Trinity needs in order to continue to provide the excellent Christian education we provide. Thanks for your understanding in this reminder being repeated this week.

Martin's Shoppers - HELP!

You can earn money for Trinity every time you use your Martin's Advantage Card if you have Trinity registered as "your school." Please make sure you register your Advantage Card to Trinity! Our school ID# is (4087). That is all you need to do to help us earn more money for the school. Please share this with all of your friends, family, neighbors, etc. Thanks. Here is how to register:

1. Go to www.martins-supermarkets.com and click on "Advantage Card" and then "Advantages for Education," OR
2. Register at the customer service desk at the store.

Web site Feedback!

We are continuing to update our Web site. Please visit it and provide any feedback that you'd like to share with me, Julian Petzold. You can call 269-983-3056 or e-mail me at julian.petzold@discovertrinity.org. You may also visit the Web site and email me directly from there.

Quilters needed!

Anyone who enjoys sewing or making quilts is invited to join our Tuesday morning quilters in the Fellowship Hall. They meet from 8 to 11 a.m., but anyone is welcome to come or go as needed on any given day. I try to visit them every Tuesday, and I know they'd love to have others join them. Let me know if you want to attend, so I can take you the first time for an introduction to everyone. *Mr. Petzold*

Sign up for love and logic class!

Wednesday, September 30, at 12 p.m., is the registration cut-off for the Love and Logic class. Please call the church office at 983-5000 for information or to register.

Family Resources/Links!

From time to time, I'd like to share some resources with you as parents. Please consider investing in your family with some of these things. They will be from either myself or a member of our faculty. Enjoy! *Mr. Petzold*

“Why Kids – of All Ages- Need to Hear It and Parents Can Say It,” book by David Walsh, PhD.

www.mediafamily.org

www.jcplayzone.com

Book Fair Update!

We are so thankful that we are able to offer this to our students and families. We have two volunteers to coordinate the Book Fair this year. We do need plenty of other volunteers to help make it a great Book Fair.

Please look for an opportunity to sign up soon to volunteer. The Book Fair dates are October 11-16.

Rosales family fundraiser!

Join us in the gym on Wednesday, October 7, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. for a spaghetti supper fundraiser benefitting the Rosales family. A silent auction will take place during dinner. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children ages 3-10, and take-out is available. Proceeds will benefit the Rosales Family Emergency Medical Fund, with matching gifts from Thrivent, to help defray medical expenses following a serious traffic accident in July. Please contact the church office at 983-5000 for tickets or information.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Please join us for Worship

Saturdays 6 p.m. Service

Sundays 8:00 a.m. Service
9:15 a.m. Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Service

Attend a Bible Study!

If you are not currently attending a Bible study, please contact Mr. Petzold, the church office, or stop in the school office. We'd love to have you join us for any study.

Interested in becoming a Trinity Member?

Our new member class is a great way to learn about Trinity and the Lutheran Church. You will become a member of Trinity upon completion of the classes and you will grow in your faith throughout the classes as well. Contact the church office (983-5000) to enroll.

Calendar for the week of September 28:

Sept. 28 ECC Chapel at 8:45 a.m.
Mid-Quarter
Sept. 29 ECC Chapel at 8:45 a.m.
Oct. 2 Mid-Quarter reports go home
Oct. 7 Rosales Family Fundraiser
Oct. 9 8th Graders leave for Washington D.C.
Oct. 11 Book Fair begins

Lunch Menu for the week of September 21:

Mon: Cheese or pepperoni pizza, corn, peaches, milk
Tues: Shrimp poppers, fries, peas, pears, milk
Wed: Chicken sandwiches, chips, baby carrots, with dip, grapes, milk
Thurs: Bow tie pasta, meat sauce, green beans, pineapple, breadstick, milk
Fri: Soft tacos, corn, mandarin oranges, ice cream, milk

SPORTS CORNER

Scores from the week of September 21:

Volleyball 5th/6th: 2-1 match win (25-13, 16-25, 25-17) at Grace Lutheran 5th on Sept. 21
Volleyball 5th/6th: 2-1 match win (6-25, 25-10, 16-25) against Grace Lutheran 6th on Sept. 23
Volleyball 7th/8th: 0-3 match loss (3-25, 18-25, 14-25) against Trinity Berrien Springs on Sept. 21
Soccer 5th/6th: 11-2 win against St. Paul Stevensville on Sept. 22
Soccer 5th/6th: 3-1 win at Grace on Sept. 24
Soccer 7th/8th with Christ Lutheran: 7-0 loss at Fennville on Sept. 21
Soccer 7th/8th with Christ Lutheran: 3-0 win against New Prairie on Sept. 23
Soccer 7th/8th with Christ Lutheran: 4-2 win against St. Joseph - Upton on Sept. 24

Games for the week of September 28:

Sept. 28

4 p.m.: 5th/6th volleyball at Christ Lutheran
5 p.m.: 7th/8th volleyball at Christ Lutheran
6 p.m.: 7th/8th soccer (with Christ Lutheran) vs. Christ Lutheran

Sept. 29

4 p.m.: 5th/6th soccer vs. Christ at Rocky Weed

Sept. 30

4 p.m.: 5th/6th volleyball at HOME vs. St. Paul South Haven
6 p.m.: 7th/8th soccer (with Christ Lutheran) vs. Christ Lutheran at Bridgman

Oct. 1

4 p.m.: 5th/6th soccer at LMC

Come to the games to help cheer on Trinity. Go Kingsmen!