



High Flier

August 26, 2011

HTLS...where the heart of education is the education of the heart!

From the Director:

We are off and running for the 2011-2012 school year!

On Monday, August 15 we launched balloons with our School's mission statement in celebration of the first day of school for Preschool and Kindergarten. Two days later I got an e-mail from someone in Cleveland, TN who said they found one of our balloons! It is amazing how far and how fast those things can travel.

It is a great reminder to me of the power and far-reaching impact of God's Word to children and families as they learn daily here at HTLS. I am constantly hearing about how well our alumni are doing in their high schools, colleges, or jobs. But a Christ-centered education goes beyond intelligence or successful academics or profitable careers.....because faith formation is eternal. It reaches far beyond what we can see or imagine and provides comfort when everything else in this life fails. May God continue to bless our School in sharing Christ with children and families!

Mr. Bill Hiskey

Our mission "is to reach out to families and children with the Good News of Jesus through a Christ-centered, loving and forgiving environment of academic excellence."

Check online each Friday for the High Flier (all School News from the Office), lunch menu, monthly calendar of events at HTLS, and the weekly Teacher Letters (check your child's teacher/grade location on the web site). Print copies are posted on the bulletin boards and are available to parents without Internet access upon request- if copies must be mailed we appreciate the parent providing the postage. Thank you.

Lunch Menu Change!!!!!!!!!!

On Tuesday, Aug.30th, we will have Nachos or a Turkey Sandwich



Welcome to the 2011-2012 School Year! We're excited for this school year! We are thankful for each and every child and family at HTLS and pledge as a staff to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with them daily and integrate faith lessons into all aspects of life. We are here to partner with you, the parent, to raise children in the fear and knowledge that Jesus Christ is their Lord and Savior. May God bless and guide our partnership to that end!

Our total enrollment in all grades at this time is **73 children from 59 total families.** We still have plenty of room in most classes for additional students. Help us spread that word with your neighbors and friends.

Please welcome the **2011/2012 staff members:**

P3 Ms. Katie Alagna, Teacher
P4 Ms. Heather Faxon, Teacher
Mrs. Juanita Linhardt, Aide
P4 Mrs. Dianne Martin, Preschool
Director/Teacher
Ms. Haley Crutcher, Aide
K Mrs. Katie Fritz
1st-3rd Mrs. Melissa Mitchell
4th/5th Ms. Deedy Whittamore
P.E. Mrs. Jennifer Upton
Kitchen Manager – Mrs. Lynn Asp
Art Mrs. Jill Willis
Librarian – Mrs. Leanna Andrews
Extended Care – Ms. Julia Hendricks
Eagle Chorus - Mrs. Beth Markel
Spanish - Mrs. Cara Bedo
School Office Secretary/Receptionist -
Ms. Jennifer Clark
Church Office Secretary - Ms Dionne Milam
School Director – Mr. Bill Hiskey

TEACHER INSTALLATION: Students who attend universities for training in church-work careers within the Lutheran church are extended Calls to serve in congregations. On August 7th the Holy Trinity congregation members voted to extend a Call to Katie Fritz to serve as teacher for Holy Trinity Lutheran School. Katie's installation service is set for Sunday, August 28 during the 10:30 a.m. service.

We would like to welcome Katie and her husband, Colin, to Holy Trinity with a "stock the pantry" shower. We are asking church and school families to bring items that will help fill the cupboards for the newlyweds. Suggestions might include paper towels, toilet paper, Target gift cards, canned food items, etc.

We welcome Colin and Katie to Holy Trinity and pray God's blessings upon them in their ministry to our congregation and school.

CHAPEL - Chapel will be held on Wednesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. Parents are welcome to come to room 110 (across from the Library) for coffee and fellowship after drop-off on Wednesdays before Chapel. **Chapel offerings for August and September will be donated to: [The Humane Society!](#)**

EXTENDED CARE PICK-UP: We have changed the room that we are using for Extended Care this year. When weather permits the children will be out on the playground. If they are inside, please use the School Office entrance and we will direct you. Thank you.

FUNDRAISERS!!!!!!

Magazine Sale Kick-Off will be at 8:15 a.m. Monday, August 29 in the Gym. Come join your child to hear about this year's magazine sale incentives. Check with the doctor's office, beauty shop, nail salon, etc. that you frequent and ask if they'll order a magazine to help HTLS. Don't forget grandparents! We will need helpers to hand out prizes, help with collections, etc. Talk with Cheryl Hixson if you are available to help.

Turn In Days:

Tues. 8/30: Post Card Books Due
Fri. 9/2: 1st Day for Orders/Payments
Wed. 9/7: 2nd Day for Orders/Payments
Tues. 9/13: Final Day for Orders/Payments

SMART CARDS were due back last week, but if you have money or cards to turn in, please do so as soon as possible, it will still be accepted! If you earned a Free Smart Card(s), we will get them to you as soon as possible, as we are still processing the sales. Please Contact Cheryl Hixson at 991-8600 if you have any questions.

What's a Great Way to raise money in your day-to-day life?



Kroger Cards – Purchase a Kroger card for \$10 from the School Office then reload for additional funds at your local Kroger. Every time you reload HTLS automatically receives 4% back to the School and you have 100% of the money available for Kroger gas and grocery purchases. These cards are available in the School Office.



Boxtops_- Holy Trinity is upping its expectations for Box Tops fundraising! The program can provide up to \$20,000 per year from box-top clipping, and we can't get there alone. One of the most consistently top-earning schools in the U.S. is a private school in Kentucky that receives help from congregations across the country.

Please send in your **Boxtops** labeled with your child's name and their teacher's name. **Bundles of 50** make for easy counting but remember to check the expiration dates! We will collect **Boxtops** all school year. The student and class who collects the most by October 15th will get a special treat! We will have monthly prizes too!

Want to Earn EXTRA Boxtops??? Great, If you go to the **BOX TOP** website www.boxtops4education.com, you can earn six (6) free boxtops (no clipping). Just register for our School and it automatically gives us the points. Have all of your family and friends go to the site and register too!!!! Plus get information on local Box Tops promotions and sweepstakes opportunities.

Finally, you can distribute pre addressed collection envelopes to **FRIENDS AND FAMILY** and get them to collect Box Tops. The collection envelopes are to be taken home by individuals and stuck to the fridge. When full of Box Tops, just seal the envelope, add a stamp, and send them to us. Please include return addresses, so we know whom to thank! It will be exciting to see from what far reaches we can gather Box Tops. If anyone would like to request some collection envelopes for their church or workplace, they can e-mail their mailing address to jjones.joyce@gmail.com.

Thank you to Joyce Jones (Hope-1st and Bryan-K) for organizing our Box Tops collection this year.

LIBRARY NEWS: The Accelerated Reading Program has begun! Goals have been set for all K-5 students and the STAR Test has been taken by the 1st-5th graders. The test gives each student a range for reading comprehension so they can enjoy, understand and succeed in taking tests on the books they choose to read.

Preschool and Kindergarten students have been learning new vocabulary and expanding their understanding of reading concepts. Kindergarteners will begin checking books out of the library in the second semester. If you have any questions about the AR program, please don't hesitate to ask.

Please continue to read with your child at home nightly. Even a few minutes will make a real difference. Thank you for letting me participate in your child's learning!

Leanna Andrews, Librarian

Reminders and Notices –

All P3 – 5 students who arrive at school after the drop off doors are shut (after 8am) must come by the Office to sign-in and K-5 students must receive a tardy slip before going to class.

DOG DAYS!!! Holy Trinity is partnering with the Humane Society to sponsor a special event for our community. We will be washing dogs, giving away treats, providing pets that need adopting and taking donations to help the Humane Society here in our community. Our original date of August 6 was rained out so we have rescheduled for Saturday, September 10 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Contact Amy Walters if you can help (535-5559) or email amh13@insightbb.com.

PARKING LOT - Please remember to always enter the parking lot from Nashville Rd and exit the parking lot by the playground onto Ashmoor during drop-off time or pick-up time. Please do not make U-turns and try to exit back onto Nashville Rd as the incoming traffic is blocked from entering. Do not enter the parking lot from Ashmoor during school hours; this is an exit only roadway. If the safety cones are up on the blacktop that means the area is off limits to all parking and traffic so that it is available for recess and PE classes. Thank you for helping keep our children safe.

Deficiency Notices – If your child's student file has any missing required documentation a letter was sent home in their backpack this week. Required information must be in place within the first 30 days of school. Please call the school office with any questions. Thanks!!

After School Enrichment Clubs won't begin until after Labor Day! Watch for sign-up sheets this week! The cost is \$3.50 per student per club. Additional "materials" cost may be required for selective clubs. Parents, if you are willing to help sponsor a club once or twice per month for an hour after school please let Mr. Hiskey know.

TRANSFORMATION STATION - This is the new name for Sunday School here at Holy Trinity. Our first unit is about Joseph from the book of Genesis. Each week will feature a different station such as cooking, drama, video, games, computer, and art to explore the story in a variety of ways. Come join us and bring a friend!

LUNCH/MILK TICKET PRICES – Make all checks to HTLS and write on the memo-line how it's designated.

5 meal ticket - \$17.50
10 meal ticket - \$35.00
20 meal ticket - \$70.00
Extra Milks (20) - \$8.00 or \$.40 each
Extra Entrees (10) - \$7.50 or \$.75 each
Adult Guest - \$4.00

Students K-5 have the option to pack their lunch. Preschoolers staying all day 8:00-3:00 p.m. must purchase a lunch ticket. Preschoolers staying for Lunch Bunch 12:00-1:00 p.m. have their lunch included in the cost of their hour of extended care.

BOWLING GREEN HIGH SCHOOL CHEER CLINIC
fliers were sent home with students about the cheer clinic on Sunday, September 11 at BGHS from 2-4pm. The cost is \$25 per child and is available for children aged 4 yrs to 6th grade.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

We have many avenues for someone to volunteer at Holy Trinity and would love for you to be involved. Some opportunities are here in the facility:

- Kitchen Aide - helping with preparing food, setting up dining area, cleaning, etc. (Perk - hanging out with the students & staff)
- Office Aide - answering phones/taking messages, greeting visitors, various small tasks as available (Perk - hanging out with the students & staff)

Some opportunities can be done at home or as a group here at the facility:

- PTO Fundraising efforts - preparing mailings, handing out prizes,

coordinating various efforts, etc. (Perk - hanging out with the students & staff & exploring fun activities)

We'll share more ideas as the year progresses.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF KITS

The LWML is leading the collection efforts for these kits. A box will be in the Narthex and you may bring your donations at any time.

Personal Care Kits

- Towel – light or medium weight bath size (approx. 52"x27"), dark color recommended
- Soap (2 bars) – bath-size (4-5oz.) of any brand in the original wrapping
- Toothbrush – adult-size in original packaging (multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope; no plastic bags or wrap)
- Comb, sturdy – remove packaging
- Nail Clippers, metal – remove packaging

School Kits

- Notebooks (4) – Wide or College ruled with 70 sheets of paper (approx. 8"x10.5"); no loose-leaf paper
- Ruler – 30-centimeter or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- Pencil Sharpener
- Scissors, blunt (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- #2 Pencils with erasers (5), unsharpened; secure together with a rubber band
- Ballpoint Pens (5) – no gel ink; secure together with a rubber band
- Eraser (approx. size 2.5")
- Crayons – box of 16 or 24

Getting off to School on the Right Foot

Mornings can be a stressful time for families. As your family prepares for some new routines this school year, here's a tip to help you get off on the right foot. One of the goals parents have for their children is to teach them to be independent and internally motivated. One single mom told how she addressed this for her children, ages 9, 10, and 11.

"I didn't like what I was seeing in myself. I heard myself nagging and prodding them along, yelling, 'You're going to be late. You better hurry and brush your hair. Get your shoes on...' So she gathered the children together one evening to introduce a new plan.

"You three are getting older. Tomorrow begins a new system where you're going to manage yourselves. I've been doing a lot of yelling in the morning and I don't want to do that anymore. So I have a plan. I'm not going to wake you up in the morning. Here is a new alarm clock for each of you. You can decide what time you want to get up and it will wake you.

"I want you to learn to be independent so we're going to have check points each morning. At 7:15 am you need to be down for breakfast, all dressed with shoes on, and your bed made. By 7:50 am you need to have completed your chores and have combed your hair. Those are the checkpoints. This means you have to learn to look at the clock yourself and not wait for me to tell you what time it is.

"To help you be motivated to meet these check points, I have something positive and something negative. Let's start with the positive. First, if you meet your two check points each morning for five mornings then I will allow you to watch a video on the weekend. However, if you miss one check point on a morning you will have to go to bed a half hour earlier that evening, since you must need more sleep in order to get up and get yourself ready."

They ended the meeting positively as they talked about the benefits of independence and being self-motivated. Mom taught the kids how to set their alarms and they felt empowered and eager to manage themselves the next morning.

The following day Mom was in bed and heard alarms going off and feet shuffling. She wasn't quite ready to get up and began having second thoughts about her great plan. In the end though, it worked. Her children were successful at demonstration independence in the morning by getting ready and Mom didn't have to nag or be harsh. She replaced yelling and nagging with firmness and a clear plan for developing independence in her kids, all in a positive atmosphere of cooperation.

For more practical ideas on parenting with honor, consider the book, [*Say Goodbye to Whining, Complaining and Bad Attitudes in You and Your kids*](#) by Dr. Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller, RN, BSN. For more ideas on developing independence and self-motivation in kids consider the CD series, [*Everyday Parents CAN Raise Extraordinary Kids*](#) by Dr. Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller, RN, BSN.

What are some things you do to get your kids ready for the school-time routines? [Click here](#) to tell us about it.

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