

# The Chronicles of Trinity

October 2022

## FALL FEST TRUNK OR TREAT

by Ava Harrison

Trunk or Treat is a very fun time for people to dress up in costume and participate in visiting decorated trunks to gather treats.

It's also fun even if you aren't wearing a costume. Personally, my favorite thing is that everyone is having fun and spending time with friends. There will be food trucks and trunks full of candy (and other treats).

Food trucks will remain open until 2 p.m. Join Trinity on **Saturday, October 15, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** There will be activities, including a performance by Sky Centers Martial Arts, featuring one of our classmates. We are collecting items for Phil's Friends, a ministry bringing hope to cancer patients and their families. Please bring unused puzzle books, playing cards (no casino decks), unscented travel size lotion, 4 oz. Biotene, or fleece blankets. See you there!

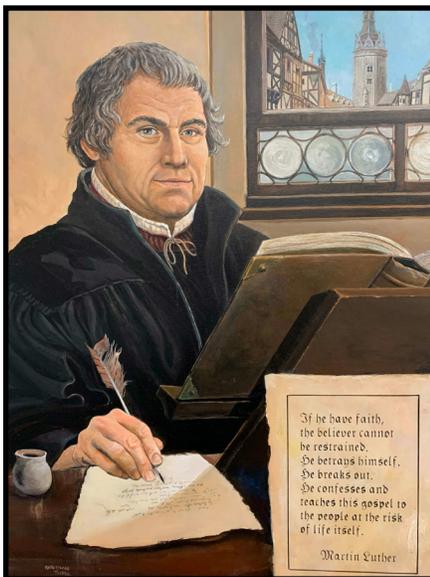
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**Saturday Oct. 15th**  
**TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL & CHURCH**  
1165 S WESTMORE MEYERS RD, LOMBARD, IL 60148  
**11:00AM-1:00PM**  
PLAY SOME GAMES, GET SOME CANDY, SHOW-OFF THOSE COSTUMES!

**GOODIES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THESE FOOD TRUCKS!**  
**11:00AM TILL 2:00PM**  
**TEAM SKY PERFORMS!**  
SKY CENTERS MARTIAL ARTS PRESENTS THEIR AWESOME DEMO TEAM

**PRIME TACOS**

Please bring donations for **PHIL'S FRIENDS!**  
This cancer support ministry accepts puzzle books, playing cards (no casino cards), travel-size unscented lotion, Biotene 4oz. and fleece blankets.  
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## October 31: Reformation Day

by Riley Baker

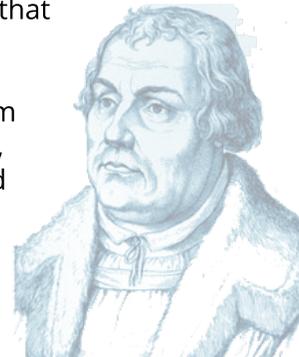
This month on the 31st in the Lutheran Church we celebrate the festival of Reformation Day. Reformation Day marks the day in 1517 when Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany. This showed that the church wrong about paying money for their sins to be forgiven and make it into heaven. After he nailed the 95 Theses to the door the Catholic church (which was the only church at that time) was not very happy with his ideas and they tried to have him killed.

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# Martin Luther: The Great Reformer

by Addison Meredith and Sophia Garcia

Martin Luther was a monk who wrote the 95 theses but that is just the end of the story that began the Reformation. We are going to start from the beginning. Martin was born to Hans and Margarethe Luther. Hans was a miner and his mother Margarethe was strict with discipline. Martin was born in Germany in 1483. During that time the church was not very honest; they often lied about things, and one day, Martin was going to prove it. In the year 1485, Martin was two years old. He and his family were going to church. In those days the leaders of the church read the bible in Latin. Very few people spoke Latin at that time, mainly only the church leaders. Martin would move to Mansfeld to attend a Latin school. Later when he was 14, Martin went to a school where the teacher was not so nice. When his peers did badly in their studies their teacher would make them wear a donkey mask (talk about mean teachers!). Later Martin moved on to a school where they had to go door to door and sing for their food. Luckily his father knew how bright he was and pulled Martin out of that school; he then went to a university to study law. One evening, Martin was returning back to the university from visiting his parents when a lightning bolt knocked him to the ground! He prayed to St. Anne and asked her to protect him from the storm and if he did he would become a monk, so from that day on, Martin was no longer a lawyer, he was a monk. His father was not very pleased with this, Hans wanted his son to be a wealthy lawyer. But nothing could stop him; Martin sold his law books and went off to Augustinian monastery. During his time as a monk, Martin Luther read the Bible and began to notice that many of the things that the church was teaching were not actually in the Bible. That was the reasoning behind his famous 95 theses, that began the Reformation, and earned Martin Luther the title of the Great Reformer.

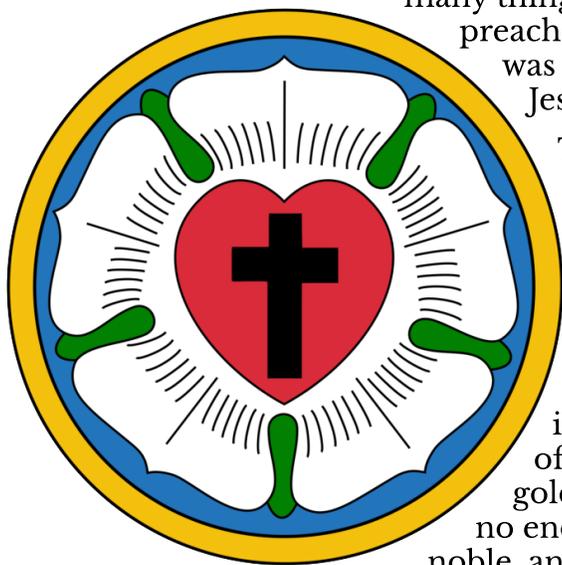


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Germany. He was married to Katharina von Bora from 1525 to 1546. They had six children whose names were Hans, Elizabeth, Magdalene, Martin, Paul, and Margaret.

One quote from Martin Luther is "I cannot and will not recant anything, for to go against conscience is neither right nor safe. Here I stand, I can do no other, so help me God. Amen. One last quote would be where "God build the church the devil build the chapel. The reason is the enemy of Faith."

Luther also translated the Bible from Latin to German. For most of his life, Luther believed that Christians are saved through faith and not their efforts which turned him against many things that the Catholic church was teaching. Luther preached a gospel of freedom and salvation. What he taught was a gift from God available to everyone through faith in Jesus and his sacrificial death.



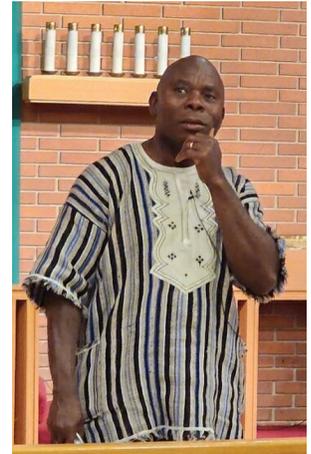
There is also something called Luther's Seal. Luther said that the red heart with the black cross at the center should remind us that the righteous life by faith in Christ the Crucified. The heart sits on a white rose to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace. The rose is white, not red because white is the color of heavenly spirits and angels. The white rose stands in a bed of blue, the color of heaven, to show that joy in the spirit and faith in this life is only the beginning of future heavenly joy. Surrounding the bed of blue is a gold ring to show that happiness and joy in heaven have no end but last forever, just as gold is the highest, most noble, and precious metal.

# JOE BOWAY'S VISIT

by Addison Meredith and Sophia Garcia

By the time you are reading this it will already have happened so we have waited until last minute to write this so you know what happen. On Wednesday, October 12, we went to chapel with our "chapel families," and we had a really special guest - drum roll please - **JOE BOWAY**.

Joe flew in all the way from Liberia, Africa, where he is a missionary. While in the United States (his home base is in Fort Wayne, Indiana), Joe came to speak at our chapel service. Trinity has been collecting school supplies for him to bring back to Liberia for the Lutheran schools he has started there. Joe is leading a very important ministry. He shares the Good News about Jesus to the boys and girls in Africa, so that they may believe in God and be saved - and that is the best thing ever. Joe Boway is truly a wonderful servant of God. Joe talked to us about the little boys and girls in Africa, and how much they love to receive the school supplies. Thank you to the Trinity family for donating all of the school supplies for them and for your offerings. We have raised 400 dollars for the ministry - good job! I was a fun chapel service. It is always nice to see our longtime friend Joe Boway.



Joe Boway in chapel (above) and greeting old friends, Trinity's longtime Principal and teachers, Mr. Kenn and Mrs. Marlene Krohse.



# Columbus Day

by Sophia Garcia

Most people know Columbus Day for being a day off of work or school. But it is more than just an office or classroom holiday off. Columbus Day is named after Christopher Columbus, an Italian explorer, who wanted to find an easy route between Europe and Asia. He made four trips across the Atlantic Ocean from Spain in 1492, 1493, 1498, and 1502. Rather than finding a better route to Asia he discovered the Americas - but Columbus thought it was Asia! So that's what he returned to tell everyone. That is how Christopher Columbus crossed the ocean, thinking that the Americas were Asia, and specifically that North America was India.

## Chargers Challenge

by Angelina Iverson



On September, Saturday 17, Trinity hosted the Chargers Challenge. The Chargers Challenge was super fun. People pledged money to help the school and win cool prizes! There were obstacles for the student participants and people could choose to run or walk the full 5k. Each time you completed a lap you got a charm to put on your necklace. Also after every obstacle you received a charm. During the 5k you could refresh with water or a snack - an orange, banana, or Honey Stinger Wafers. People had a fun time getting exercise and socializing, and helped raise funds for Trinity's music program.

# VETERANS DAY

by Angelina Iverson

Veterans Day is on November 11. Why do we celebrate it on November 11? We celebrate it on that date because on November 11, 1918, when World War I ended, it was established to remember the "war to end all wars." Veterans fought hard for our country and they did it willingly. They have to leave their homes and families to fight for our country, which they love. Those who have died during wars are remembered on Memorial Day.

Veterans deserve more than just a day off. They have worked very hard and are probably the most determined people you will ever meet. We should honor them and respect them for what they have done for our country.

## ALL ABOUT LEOPARD GECKOS

by Addison Meredith

*Leopard geckos are very interesting, in fact, I have one of my own. His name is Mochi but this is not about Mochi. This about all of the leopard geckos (Mochi's friends). A leopard gecko's life span is 20 years at the most, so if you want one you need to make sure you are okay with having it for a long time. I will have Mochi till I am about 30.*

*In my opinion they are great geckos to get you started. Leopard geckos mainly eat waxworms, mealworms, and crickets. Now listen carefully...leopard geckos are desert creatures. If you want a gecko here are the things you will need to put in his cage:*

- 1. A glass cage - not a small cage - and a heating pad to put under the cage and a heating lamp to put on the top.*
- 2. Don't use a substrate bottom in the cage. It could hurt geckos when they go to eat their food. Instead, get either a reptile carpet to put at the bottom or put down paper towels (Note: Mochi has a carpet but they are really hard to clean. Paper towels will be easier to clean because if you use paper towels you can just lift the towel up and then replace it with a new one.)*
- 3. You will need two rock "hides" to keep your gecko happy and safe. Make sure they are different from each other.*
- 4. You will have to have water and a calcium powder bowl. The calcium powder bowl can be tiny.*
- 5. You will need plants and maybe some small flowers.*



*The last thing you will need to know for your gecko is you have to know that if you have one boy and one girl gecko in the same cage or you will have baby geckos and then you have to get a incubator - and that's a lot of hard work. You also cannot have two boys in the same cage or they will kill each other, so it is just best to have one gecko. I hope you have enjoyed learning about geckos.*



# Kindergarten's Peaceful Pirates

by Emma Serwas

Q&A with Mrs. Scott

Q: Why did you decide to be pirates?

A: We were studying the letter p.

Q: What activities did you do?

A: We went treasure hunting, and fishing, and we built model sailboats and tested them.

Q: Did you enjoy being pirates?

A: Yes, It was fun to learn that pirates don't have to fight.

Q: Did you find any gold?

A: We found silver, and gold coins.

Q: What did you enjoy about being pirates?

A: We especially enjoyed wearing pirate hats and using magnets to find treasure.

Q&A with the Kindergarteners

Q: What was your favorite part about being a pirate?

A: Testing the boats, and finding treasure.

## Yo - Ho - Ho Mateys!

## Favorite Movies and TV shows in Kindergarten!

by Josie Woods

I asked all of the wonderful kindergarteners that were present what their favorite movies and TV shows are. I also asked Mrs. Scott.

Karlo: PJ Masks is his favorite show, and his favorite movie is Pinocchio.

Kayli: Paw Patrol is her favorite show, and her favorite movie is Hocus Pocus 2.

Avery: Spidey and His Amazing Friends is her favorite show, and her favorite movie is Frozen 2.

Mrs. Scott: Blue Bloods is her favorite show, and her favorite movie is The Jungle Book.



# Trinity Craft Show!

by Alex Harris

The Trinity Holiday Craft show is coming up on Saturday, November 12. There will be many crafters, vendors, and places selling sweets, treats, and baked goods.

The crafters will be featuring a wide selection, from jewelry to home decor, soaps and gifts.

There are going to be a lot of visitors, probably between 500 and 1,000 people. There

will also be over 70 different booths to shop from. We will also have a big resale event, put on by the women of our church

Families of Trinity are welcome to volunteer, and we start setup at 3 p.m. on Thursday and all day Friday. The show is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., but crafters can set up at 7:30 a.m.

There's also going to be an animal adoption area in the parish hall! The animals there will most likely be cats, so if your family is looking to have a new furry friend, the Craft Show will be the place to go!

This year's Craft Show will be so much fun, so we hope to see you there!

## How can you help?

Help set up on Thursday or Friday after school or in the evening (if you're not in school, you can come during the day Friday).

Help out before and during the show on Saturday or help clean up after.

Donate crafts, resale items, or baked goods for Trinity to sell.

Invite your friends, family, neighbors and coworkers to come and shop!

**NOVEMBER 12 - be there!**



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