

# The Chronicles of Trinity

September 2022



Trinity Lutheran School

*Can you complete the*

## CHARGERS CHALLENGE?

Saturday, September 17, 2022

*arrive by 9 a.m.*

It's like a 5k FunRun but **BETTER!**

Beat the obstacles along the route to  
collect a charm at each challenge

*Gather pledges to raise funds supporting  
activities at Trinity Lutheran School*

**PRIZES AWARDED TO  
TOP PLEDGE COLLECTORS!**

*spectators welcome*

watch for registration/pledge forms via JupiterEd  
or pick up a copy in the office



## International Day of Peace

*by Ava Harrison*

International Day of Peace is a "war" to end all wars. International Day of Peace is on Wednesday, September 21, and is celebrated all around the world. It is a day that we all can practice kindness and a day that all conflict and violence stops. The day was established in 1981 by the United Nations General Assembly. The symbol for peace is a dove. The Holy Spirit's symbol is actually a dove too, but is also fire, oil, water, and wind. - although the dove is the most common emblem for the Holy Spirit. Some things you can do on that day: at exactly at 12 noon enjoy a moment of complete silence, give to charity, or plant a tree. The day is devoted to making the ideals of peace. A way you can promote peace is by listening with the intent to understand or be helpful to your neighbors - helping them with groceries, walking their dog, or picking up their yard.

***We're collecting new or gently-used backpacks, pencils, or spiral bound notebooks for Joe Boway to deliver to children in Liberia. Bring your gifts of these items or money to ship them to school or church by October 1.***



# HAPPY HALLOWEEN by Ariana Mehrazer

Halloween is coming up! Get your costumes ready to go! Halloween is awesome, in my opinion. Halloween is when you go to a house, and you say, “trick or treat!” You can get candy, but sometimes, even other things like toys! There’s actually a different story behind it, how it all started.

The tradition began with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to scare ghosts away. Halloween can be scary, but it doesn't have to be. Haunted houses are very, VERY common on Halloween. Haunted houses feature some scary things, like ghosts, skeletons, and zombies, but don't be scared. They're just decorations.

Did you know that Halloween has a lot of names? Halloween is also called Hallowe'en, Allhalloween, All Hallows' Eve, and All Saints' Eve. Halloween was first celebrated because it was believed that on Halloween day, the souls of the dead returned to their homes, so people dressed in costumes and lit bonfires to scare away spirits.

Halloween has some very weird candies, so, you should probably let a parent or guardian check it for you.

Here are some costumes that my friends wore last year:

Damian - Shark, Roscoe - Toothless, Ava - Lydia , Addison - Creepy Scarecrow, Emma - Wednesday, Sophie - Alex Morgan, Josie - Sully, Angelina - Luna Lovegood, Aidan - Longk, Alex - Princess Tiana, Riley - Jasmine, Ian - Inflatable Shark, Mr. Baerenklau - Grim Reaper, Abby - bunny

## *The Annual Christians & Halloween Disclaimer*

The issue arises annually. Students enjoy dressing up, getting candy, and even being “spooked” a little – and with Fall Fest and it’s Trunk or Trick coming up on October 15 (the day after the next Trinity student newsletter), the staff did not want to wait to address the question of costumes. So here we go...



As Christians, is it okay to recognize Halloween? As long as we recognize that Jesus is Lord of all and stronger than any devil or demon, we are looking at the annual October event with the right perspective, according to Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod pastor, Rev. George Borghardt. He states that Christians we are free to treat

(but probably not to trick) and says, “You’re free in Christ to dress appropriately in costumes which mock all of the powers of darkness. Because of your baptism, because of the cross of Christ, you can spork the devil with a pitchfork in his bottom and he can’t do anything about it.” He cautions, “Now outside of the faith of Jesus the devil isn’t a laughing matter, he’s dangerous, he’s a thief which comes to steal, kill and destroy.” Pastor reminds us, however, that, “Christ is the victory over sin death and the power of the devil...you’re free in Christ to treat, to dress up...In Christ there’s nothing to fear, ever, especially on All Hallows Eve.”

Watch Rev. Borghardt’s entire message “Can Lutherans Celebrate Halloween?” here: <https://youtu.be/7ObPCPKyHK4>. Rev. Borghardt serves with Higher Things, a Lutheran ministry to youth and young adults. Learn more at [higherthings.org](http://higherthings.org).

# Fall Fest: Trunk or Treat

by Josie Woods, Sophia Garcia and Angelina Iverson

Trinity's Fall Fest with Trunk or Treat will have a lot of fun things happening. It's on October 15, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and food trucks will remain open until 2 p.m. People will have their vehicles decorated, and they will have candy for you, so you will be able to go trick-or-treating from trunk to trunk! Sky Center Martial Arts will be performing, so make sure to stay and watch the show. We will be gathering items for Phil's Friends, a Christian nonprofit organization founded by two-time cancer survivor Phil Zielke. Three food trucks will be featured, including Bricks Pizza, Serna's Grill, and Prime Taco. There will be fun games as well. Well, we hope we see you there!

Please bring donations for Phil's Friends (cancer support ministry) bring new, unused puzzle books, playing cards (NO casino decks), travel-size unscented lotion, Biotene 4oz, or fleece blankets.



## So what is a Trunk or Treat?

by Sophia Garcia

Did you know that this year we are hosting a Trunk or Treat at Trinity. If you don't know what a Trunk or Treat is, it is where there are a lot of different cars lined up in the parking lot and they are decorated and feature games. It is like Halloween in a neighborhood, but with cars. What is really fun is that sometimes there is food too. You can even invite your friends and family. I hope you come to our Trunk or Treat and have a lot of fun with your friends and family.

## What Will You Be?

by Alexandra Harris, Riley Baker, and Aidan Harrison

This year's Trunk or Treat is coming up for Halloween on the 15th of October, and many students are definitely dressing up for it! There are many costume options, from princess to ghost, or even an animal. You can dress up as almost anything!

### Question: What are you dressing up as for the Trunk Or Treat?

Riley: A Ghost.

Aidan: I'm going to be a spoon.

Ian: I'm probably just going to wear my dinosaur onesie.

Alex: A ghostbuster.

Josie: Bing Bong.

Sophia: Either Athena, or Hermes.

Angelina: A hippie fairy.

Emma: A Warlock.

Roscoe: Toothless.

Ariana: Angel.

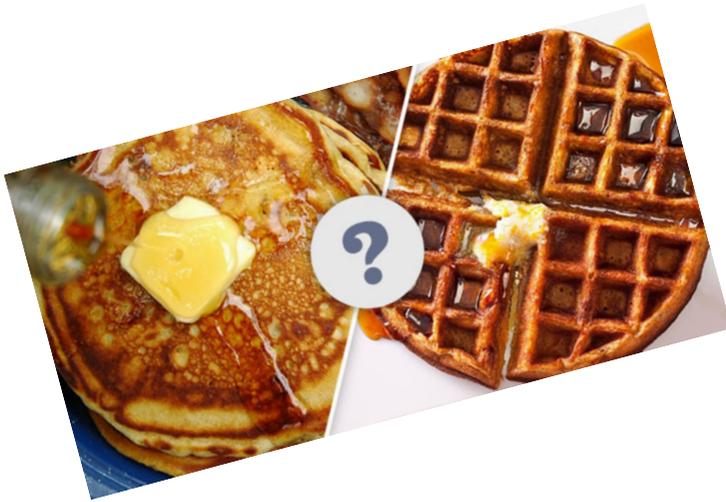
Ava: Hermione Granger.

Addison: Wednesday Addams.

Damien: Darth Vader.



This is what the 5th-8th grade classes will be dressing up as for the Trunk or Treat!



# WAFFLES VS. PANCAKES

By Ian Lesch

## History of the Pancake:

The first written record of the pancake occurred in 600 BC Greece when a writer waxed poetic about warm hotcakes (*source: Betty Crocker*). But who can blame them? Drizzled in honey and fresh off the frying pan, anyone would be inclined to write a short love poem to the treat. From there, the next well-documented piece of pancake history is found in Elizabethan England. The Tudor Travel Guide gives us a glimpse into how hot cakes were enhanced by the wealthy through the use of fresh milk instead of beer or wine, which is what poorer citizens used to make their batter. Royalty even used things like nutmeg and fruit to sweeten their food. This is the point at which the pancake became the creation we are more familiar with today.

## History of Waffles:

Waffles are preceded, in the early Middle Ages, around the period of the 9th–10th centuries, with the simultaneous emergence of *fer à hosties/hostieijzers* (communion wafer irons) and *moule à oublies* (wafer irons). While the communion wafer irons typically depicted imagery of Jesus and His crucifixion, the *moule à oublies* featured more trivial Biblical scenes or simple, emblematic designs. The format of the iron itself was almost always round and considerably larger than those used for communion.

## Caring for your DOG 101 by Roscoe Barnett and Damian Gomez

How to take care of your dog. First, you have to get things for your dog to play with, lay on, and eat from. You should feed your pet, because he needs food to survive and if you don't feed him, he will die! Second, dogs like to be played with when they are with you. If you don't play with your dog, he will think that you don't love him and he'll get bored. Last, you need to walk your dog. If you don't walk a dog, the dog will go to the bathroom in your house and you do not want to let that happen. These are the basic about caring for your dog.



# Easy Fall Crafts

by Addison Meredith

In fall the weather is unpredictable, so you could get bored some days, so here are three easy fall crafts you can create - and chase that boredom away.



The first craft is **LEAF FRIENDS**. For this craft you would need a **pretty colored leaf**, a **popsicle stick** (gives you an excuse to eat popsicles), and a **pair of googly eyes**. Now let's make this adorable leaf



friend. Glue a leaf onto a popsicle stick, let the glue dry then glue two googly eyes on the leaf for the leaf's eyes, and there you have a cute leaf friend.

The next Craft is a **POPSICLE STICK SCARECROW**. You will need a piece of **paper**, **six popsicle sticks**, **two large googly eyes**, **orange paint**, **orange paper**, and **tan or yellow paint**. Glue five popsicle sticks vertically on the



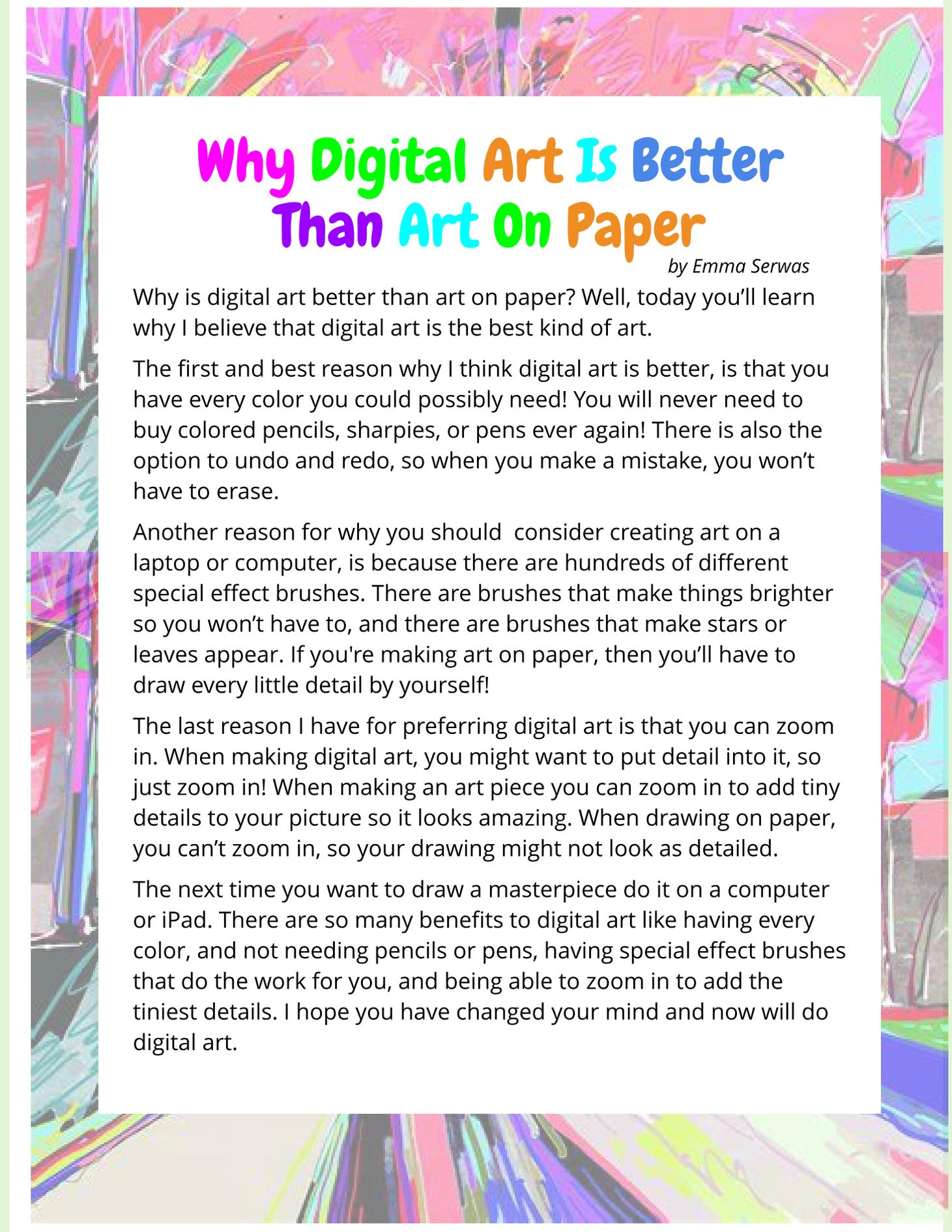
paper side by side. Put the last popsicle stick on the third top part of the head of your scarecrow, flat for the hat. Now paint the hat section of your scarecrow orange, including your flat stick. Now you can paint the head (not the hat) tan or yellow. Lastly, glue the googly eyes on and cut a triangle with orange paper or anything else you want to put on your scarecrow. Remember it is your project so do what you want.

The last project is a **MUMMY**. For this you will need a

**toilet paper roll**, **toilet paper**, **orange paint**, and **two googly eyes**. Take your toilet paper roll and paint it orange, let the paint dry. After the paint is fully dry glue the first part of the toilet paper to the roll then wrap the toilet paper around the roll till you have two layers all over. Glue the last part to the the other layers then glue two googly eyes to the paper.



There you have it, three fun fall crafts, thank you for reading!!!



# Why Digital Art Is Better Than Art On Paper

*by Emma Serwas*

Why is digital art better than art on paper? Well, today you'll learn why I believe that digital art is the best kind of art.

The first and best reason why I think digital art is better, is that you have every color you could possibly need! You will never need to buy colored pencils, sharpies, or pens ever again! There is also the option to undo and redo, so when you make a mistake, you won't have to erase.

Another reason for why you should consider creating art on a laptop or computer, is because there are hundreds of different special effect brushes. There are brushes that make things brighter so you won't have to, and there are brushes that make stars or leaves appear. If you're making art on paper, then you'll have to draw every little detail by yourself!

The last reason I have for preferring digital art is that you can zoom in. When making digital art, you might want to put detail into it, so just zoom in! When making an art piece you can zoom in to add tiny details to your picture so it looks amazing. When drawing on paper, you can't zoom in, so your drawing might not look as detailed.

The next time you want to draw a masterpiece do it on a computer or iPad. There are so many benefits to digital art like having every color, and not needing pencils or pens, having special effect brushes that do the work for you, and being able to zoom in to add the tiniest details. I hope you have changed your mind and now will do digital art.

# Lights! Camera! Action!

by Riley Baker

Movies and TV shows are important in everyone's lives. Without actors and actresses we wouldn't have anything to watch or keep us entertained. There are many benefits to watching both movies and TV shows, which include broadening our knowledge of different cultures, promoting tolerance and global understanding of international issues. Movies and TV shows may also be educational and even reduce stress. This wouldn't be possible without the people who create them. They have to do many things like memorize lines, get up early to film, and they have many more responsibilities.

National Acting Day was September 8.

The survey below shows our class members' favorite actors and actresses.



Name	Actor	Actress
Aidan	Tom Holland	Millie Bobby Brown
Alex	Joe Keery	Natalia Dyer
Ian	Johnny Depp	Megan Fox
Josie	Finn Wolfhard	Mia Hawk
Angelina	Tom Holland	Sadie Sink
Sophia	Tom Hanks	Dove Cameron
Ariana	Johnny Depp	Millie Bobby Brown
Damian	Joe Keery	Zendaya
Addison	Daniel Radcliffe	Emma Watson
Ava	Tom Holland	Emma Watson
Mrs. Messina	Ryan Reynolds	Anne Hathaway
Mr. Baerenklau	Chris Hemsworth	
Mrs. Solyom	Joseph Fiennes	Vivien Leigh

# Trinity Chargers Cross Country

These young athletes are giving 100% - pushing themselves and breaking their own personal best times. Thanks to Coaches Bryan Meredith and Kelly Laesch for their excellent work with the students. Thanks to Trinity families for supporting their



athletes and cheering them on. And thanks to Mrs. Woods for these beautiful photos from the September 13 meet at Walther Christian Academy in Melrose Park.



**Go Chargers!**



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