

**The Lord is Good!**  
*“Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!  
Blessed is the one who takes refuge in him!”*  
(Psalm 34:8)



## *Sensing God’s Goodness*

Dear Friend of Trinity Lutheran High School,

Fall is here! You can tell with all your senses: feel the crisp morning air, hear the combines in the field, taste the fine fare at Oktoberfest, fail to smell anything because of allergies. Will Cubs fans get to see burnt-orange ivy again this year? Psalm 34 encourages us to *“taste and see that the LORD is good!”* Indeed, all our senses experience and confess that the Lord is good!

We continue to see and hear of God’s goodness at Trinity this season. The seniors went on a daylong trip to Camp Lakeview for teamwork, group building, and leadership activities. We kicked off homecoming week with guest speaker Bob Mortimer and the Christian band “The Lasting Hope” sharing a message of kindness and courage and living out the hope and life of “Christ for You, You for Others.” Homecoming football, the Yearbook dance, a student-faculty volleyball game, spirit days, and a pep assembly to recognize all fall athletes were other recent highlights. The musical performances are also fast approaching, and this year the students will present *The Pirates of Penzance* from November 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>. The commons will literally transform before your eyes as the students bring this comedy to life on stage. If you have not come to a performance at Trinity, I would encourage you to make this one your first! Tickets for the performances (\$10) are sold through the office and will go on sale this month.

Another ticket available this fall is an entry into Trinity’s donation drawing, “Tickets for Textbooks.” This fundraiser will be used to purchase updated versions of certain texts, as well as materials needed for the six new classes Trinity is offering this year. For every \$20 donation to Trinity Lutheran High School, you will receive a ticket to win one of three prizes: a 2018 Polaris Ranger XP 900 EPS, a Tikka T3X .308 caliber hunter rifle, or an LG 55” Ultra HD 4K Smart HDTV. You can get 6 tickets for \$100! The drawing will take place at the home basketball game on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 P.M., and you do not need to be present to win. Stop by the office or look for the Ranger parked at upcoming events to participate. Please share this news with anyone who would be interested in supporting the school and its students--we are ever thankful for these gifts that help us deliver our mission in effective ways!

There are many opportunities to get involved here at Trinity, and God’s goodness continues to shine forth in student activities, dedicated faculty and staff, and the ongoing support of you and the community. Thank you for lifting up our students and the ministry of Trinity Lutheran High School!

Joy in Christ!

Benjamin Stellwagen  
Principal



Our Mission: *Trinity Lutheran High School seeks to educate, develop, and prepare Christian servants and leaders.*

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Return Service Requested



Trinity's Drama and Musical Departments are excited to announce the return of a Gilbert and Sullivan favorite, *Pirates of Penzance!* Both a visual and intellectual delight, the musical is full of humorous situations, relatable personalities, and allusions to modern life.

Join us for a boisterous evening full of adventure and romance on Thursday, Nov. 2; Friday, Nov. 3; Saturday, Nov. 4 or Sunday, Nov. 5.

We hope to see you there!

**TICKETS (\$10 each) GO ON SALE MON., OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup>!!**



**Become A Drama Partner**

The Drama and Music Departments at Trinity are pleased to announce the combined production of Trinity's fall musical, *Pirates of Penzance*. Scheduled performances will take place on November 2,3,4 and 5 in the Commons at Trinity.

We're enthusiastic about this year's musical, and we invite you to be a part of this venture as well. To ensure the quality and longevity of the Drama and Music programs and to contribute to this exciting event, we are asking you to consider becoming a drama partner. There are four levels of participation through donations.

All Drama Partners will have their names or businesses published in the program for this year's musical, *Pirates of Penzance*. For publication purposes, forms and their accompanying donations must be received no later than October 20. Thank you for prayerfully considering support for the Drama and Music programs. May Christ Jesus continue to bless you and yours.

In Christ,  
Michelle Bauman & Leah Schneider

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) to appear on program if different from above:  
\_\_\_\_\_

My desired level of participation is:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Thespian Philanthropist \$1000.00 and above
- \_\_\_\_\_ Director's Circle \$500.00 to \$999.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Patron of the Arts \$250.00 to \$499.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Friend of the Theatre \$ 50.00 to \$249.00

I have enclosed a check for \_\_\_\_\_

Please detach this section and send to:  
Trinity Lutheran High School  
Drama Department,  
7120 N. Co. Rd. 875 E.  
Seymour, IN 47274

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE DRAMA AND MUSIC DEPARTMENTS!!**

**Trinity Lutheran High School  
Resale Shop**



**(The Cougar's Den)**

601 W. Second St., Seymour

**Mon. & Tues. – 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.**

**Thurs. & Fri. – 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.**

**Saturday – 10 A.M. to 2 P.M.**

***In Celebration Of...***

**Joanne Kerkhof's 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

*Kyle & Angie Kerkhof and Family*

*Ryan & Emily Cremeans and Family*

**Hulda Goecker's 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

*Max & Connie Roeder*

*Rev. & Mrs. Terry Hoese*

*Garry & Sandy Bobb*

**Delbert & Marlis Kilgas' 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**

*Jerry & Betty Hall*

**Larry & Connie Borgman's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding**

**Anniversary**

*Jerry & Betty Hall*

*Floyd & Jan Behrens*

*Carolyn Alberring*

*John & Helen Nolting*

*Nippy & Carol Schneider*

*Brenda Cox*

*William & JoAnn Brock*

*Kenny & Linda Kendall*

*Rol & Dee Rebber*

*David & Peggy Loyd*

*Erv & Jane Newkirk*

*Dorothy Otte*

*Dan & Karen Kiel*

*Roger & Linda Pollert*

*Roger & Dianna Hackman*

*Tom & Darlene Cooley*



***Financial Summary***

August 31, 2017

|                                              |             |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Debts                                  | \$1,319,115 |
| Giving Needs for 2017-18 through Development | 748,578     |
| Giving Received through Development          | 16,758      |
| Giving Shortfall                             | 731,820     |
| YTD income as of 8/31/2017                   | 302,031     |
| YTD Expenses as of 8/31/2017                 | 214,194     |
| Net income as of 8/31/2017                   | \$ 87,837   |

# News from The Development Office by David Probst

## Trinity Alumni Reunion!

Trinity's first graduate, Thaddeus Sauls, graduated from Trinity in the Spring of 2004. Since then, Trinity has added 316 alumni to its ranks and made many changes to the facilities, academics, extra-curricular activities, and faculty.

On Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> we will have an ALUMNI EXTRAVAGANZA for everyone who graduated from Trinity. The extravaganza begins on Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm with an alumni basketball game at Trinity for all the alumni to enjoy! Afterwards we will gather at Celebrations in Seymour for dinner, class highlights and Trinity Trivia. Please watch the newsletter and your mail for further information about the reunion!



## Lutheran SGO Program!

The Lutheran SGO program is underway and the students of Trinity have already received over **\$78,000 in tuition assistance** from 27 contributors to the Lutheran SGO program during the months of July and August! **PLUS**, the gifts to Trinity have provided our supporters with over **\$42,000 in Indiana State Tax Credits!** We praise and thank God for the generosity we have already received from this incredible Lutheran community, and look forward to the gifts that come in through the Lutheran SGO for tuition assistance for Trinity students program in the upcoming months.



## How does the Lutheran SGO State Tax Credit program work?

When you contribute to the Lutheran SGO in the name of Trinity you will receive a 50% Indiana State Tax Credit for your donation. For example, if you donate \$500 to the Lutheran SGO in the name of Trinity, you will receive a tax credit of \$250. This is a **tax credit**, not a deduction.

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|--------------------------------------------|----------------|
| SGO gift in the name of Trinity            | \$ 500         |
| <b>Tax Credit (50% of SGO gift)</b>        | <b>\$ 250</b>  |
| State Tax Liability (line 16 of Form 1088) | \$ 500         |
| Minus Tax Credit from SGO gift             | <u>-\$ 250</u> |
| Actual State Tax Liability                 | \$ 250         |

Your entire contribution (less a 7% administrative fee to the SGO) will be given to Trinity and used as tuition assistance for qualifying students. So, this means your \$500 SGO gift in the name of Trinity will provide \$465 to Trinity for tuition assistance, \$35 to the Lutheran SGO in administrative fee, and a \$250 Indiana State tax credit will be given to you.

Please feel free to call David Probst at (812) 524-8523 or email him at [dprobst@trinitycougars.org](mailto:dprobst@trinitycougars.org) to ask questions, gather further information, or receive donations forms. You can also receive further information about the Lutheran SGO program at ([www.lutheransgo.org](http://www.lutheransgo.org)).