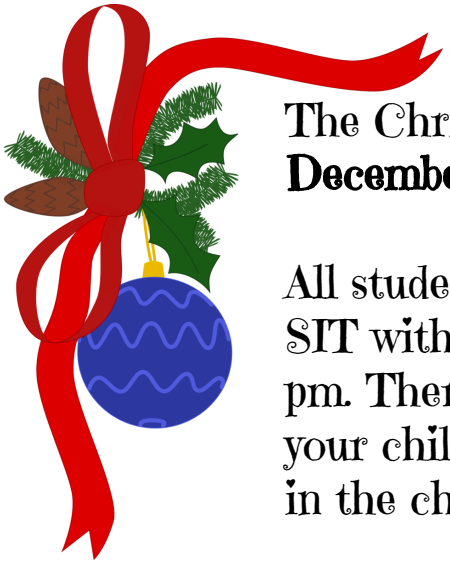


Trinity Lutheran School, Alma, Missouri **December 17, 2025**

Principal's Pens will be electronically sent out unless you've requested a hard copy! Just reach out to the office if you'd like one sent home with your child. Upcoming Events can be found on the last page of this newsletter.



WE DISMISS AT 10:30 THIS FRIDAY!!!



The Christmas Eve Program at Trinity Lutheran Church is **December 24, 5:30** pm.

All students, please arrive at the church prior to 5:20 pm AND SIT with parents. We will line up in the church basement at 5:20 pm. There will be no supervision until that time, so please keep your children with you until 5:20. All students can be picked up in the church basement after the program.

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The Early Childhood Center will be presenting their Christmas Program, Friday, December 19 @ 8:30 am in the School Gymnasium! Everyone is invited!!



🎁Still Looking to purchase gift cards this holiday season? 🎄
Trinity Lutheran School has gift cards available from hundreds of popular retailers! When you purchase your gift cards through Trinity, the church and school receive rebates ranging from 1% to 12% — at no extra cost to you.

Browse the full list of participating retailers here:
👉 https://aptg.co/HXQnd3

Stop by the office or contact us to pick up your cards today!
Thank you for supporting Trinity Lutheran School!

All students return to school on January 6th, 2026!

NO SUCKER FRIDAY this week

January menu will be posted soon.

Milk and fresh fruit offered daily

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Salad option available

Breakfast & Lunch Menus available on our app.

We want your pictures for the yearbook! Please email mschreiman@santafechiefs.k12.mo.us with any pictures you'd like to share!

Family Devotion

And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord." (Luke 1:41-45)

Elizabeth's joy delights me. She is so happy to see Mary and to know that Jesus Himself is present—a tiny embryo in Mary's body. At this moment Elizabeth isn't thinking of what lies ahead—family problems, Mary's reputation, childbirth itself. She is simply overjoyed.

It is good to take time for joy, because joy is the business of heaven (as C.S. Lewis noted). This world is filled with very real trouble and sadness, and if we choose, we can always remember something important to worry about—something that will crowd out joy from this moment.

But Elizabeth lays all that aside to recognize God's blessing here and now. "Blessed are you! Blessed is your baby! Blessed am I, to have you bring Jesus to me! Blessed are you, for believing God's promise."

We, too, are blessed, and for the same reasons. We are blessed because Jesus has come to us, God most high become a human baby. We are blessed because God has kept His promise to redeem us, even at the cost of His own suffering, death, and resurrection. And we are blessed because the Holy Spirit has given us faith in His good promises.

WE PRAY: Dear Savior, thank You for coming to me! Amen.

Upcoming Events

January

5 Professional Development
6 Classes Resume
10 Girls Basketball Shootout
19 NO SCHOOL (MLK Day)
25-3 National Lutheran Schools Week
25 ALL Choirs Sing
30 Spelling Bee (TBD)

February

16 NO SCHOOL (President's Day)
18 Ash Wednesday
19 *PT Conferences
23 PTL Meeting 6:00 pm
27 12:30 Dismissal