

## Upcoming Events

OCTOBER 27TH - HOOP-A-THON

NOVEMBER 16TH - H.S. INFORMATION NIGHT

DECEMBER 13TH - CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

JANUARY 2ND - BACK TO SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 2ND - TCA PORTFOLIO NIGHT

MARCH 3RD - OPEN HOUSE

MARCH 19TH - MATH OLYMPICS

MARCH 28TH - SPEECH MEET

MAY 4TH - ANNUAL SPRING BANQUET WITH SELAH

MAY 24TH - EVENING OF EXCELLENCE

JUNE 10TH - HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

JUNE 13 - 8TH GRADE COMMENCEMENT

JUNE 14TH - 7TH & 8TH CONVOCATION

JUNE 15TH - KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION, ELEMENTARY CONVOCATION, LAST DAY

#### **MISSION**

Trinity Christian Academy is committed to educate and equip students to become leaders for the glory of God.

The essential keys to carry out our mission are: the teaching of a dedicated Christian faculty, high academic standards, the foundation of Biblical truth, and a wholesome Christian environment.



#### WELCOME TO 3RD GRADE!

We are excited to welcome **Mrs. Megan Williams** as TCA's new third grade teacher. She graduated from the University of Maine. Her teaching experience includes four years as a 3rd grade teacher in public

school and most recently grades 5/6 at Veritas Academy.



#### A NEW FACE IN THE OFFICE

Mrs. Lori Gutierrez joined the TCA staff this summer as the Development and Accounting Assistant. Native to Cape Cod, Lori earned her BS degree from Liberty University in Sport Management. She has

been in the automotive industry for over 20 years in sales and management and is married to active duty Army Captain Rafael Gutierrez. Lori loves sports and outdoor activities.

## Introducing TCA ACADEMIC

### ADMINISTRATION TEAM





Elementary Lead Teacher, Mrs. Kelly Byrnes will be assisting with curriculum development, peer mentoring, and teacher observations for grades 1-6. Kelly earned a B.S. in Elementary Ed. and Psychology and has been teaching 4<sup>th</sup> grade for 10 years.



Early Childhood Lead Teacher, Mrs. Marnie Trombi will be assisting with curriculum development, peer mentoring, and teacher observations. Marnie has been teaching at Trinity since 2003. She earned a B.S. in Elementary Ed. from Westfield State College and a Masters in Reading at Gordon College. Marnie is also an associate member of the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and

Educators helping students with reading difficulties.

Upper Level Dean of Academics, Mrs. Lisa Williamson will assist with curriculum development, peer mentoring, and teacher observations for grades 7-12. Lisa also advises students with college planning, guidance, and PSAT exams. Lisa received a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy and Classical Studies from Tufts University. She recently completed a Masters of Science in Education with an emphasis in



cognitive neuroscience and Brain Based Teaching from Nova Southeastern University. Lisa has been teaching at Trinity Christian Academy for 19 years.

Upper Level Dean of Discipline and Athletic Director, Rev. Sheldon Clarkson received a B.S. in Sociology from the University of Utah, a Master's of Biblical Studies from Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, FL, and TESOL Certificate from Wheaton College, IL. Rev. Clarkson started working at Trinity in 2008

after serving in China as a Missionary with his family.

# TRINITY'S ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

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# WE GET TO DO THIS!

Trinity's Annual Newsletter ~ FALL 2017



During my tenure at a Christian school in Portland, Oregon, the music teacher would post flyers all around the campus at the beginning of the school year with the words, "We get to do this!" Her goal was to remind both faculty and students how blessed we were to teach, to serve and to learn at a Christian school. I appreciated her joy and her gratitude in serving the Lord through her excellent teaching. She inspired us all.

I first started my journey in Christian education in 1978. I am thankful that a pastor took a chance on me as a young man in my early twenties to come to Cape Cod and teach at a small Christian School. Forty years and three schools later, I still thank the Lord, that "*I get to do this*". As I witness the culture moving further away from Christian principles and morals, I am even more committed to Christian School education. *Now, more importantly than ever, the Christian School exists for "such a time as this"*.

A recent letter from a parent serves as a reminder of why I am firmly committed to Christian education. In the letter the parent was expressing how grateful she was for the financial aid her son received. The family was not sure if they would be able to return due to their financial circumstances. The most significant part of the letter was a comment her son made about Trinity after his first day of school last year. "Momma, they talk about Jesus at my new school! They believe in God like we do." She went on to share, "This was a new thing for our then 8 year-old son. He had already discovered in his short public educational experience that our culture is hostile toward Christians."

I recognize that parents, students, and teachers make school choices for various reasons. On the average, ACSI accredited schools, of which TCA is a member, require more rigorous course loads and their graduates attend college at a significantly higher rate than the national average. (*The Cardus Study*) These are noteworthy and important accomplishments that should be the goal of all schools. However, as a Christian School we have a foundational calling to teach in the light of God's word. This is the fundamental part of what "we get to do". On the other hand, this is the fundamental part of what many schools are not allowed to do.

During the summer we had the opportunity to share some success stories of TCA Alumni with a group of individuals who were interested in the mission of our school. It was a privilege to share how Trinity has influenced the lives of our alumni who are now grounded in their faith and serving their communities in the areas of medicine, education, broadcast media, ministry, social services, the military and more. I encourage you to read some of the alumni profiles on our website at <a href="www.trinitychristiancapecod.org">www.trinitychristiancapecod.org</a> These profiles are just a small glimpse into how Trinity is impacting lives.

The reality is many of our alumni and many of our current students would not be where they are academically, socially or spiritually without your financial support and prayers. Thank you for recognizing the eternal value of providing a Christian education to children.

#### We get to do this TOGETHER!

Mr. Ben Haskell Headmaster



TCA High School Students participate annually in the 9/11 Ceremony sponsored by the Barnstable Fire Department. The students sing a selection of songs and lead in the Pledge and prayer. We are blessed to serve!



#### CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS

Trinity Christian Academy would like to welcome Campus Ministries Director, Emelio Gassibe. Pastor Emelio currently serves as the Director of Youth Ministries at Living Hope Family Church. His previous experience includes serving as Centre Director for Youth for Christ in Cape Town, South Africa. Along with his training with Youth for Christ, he has earned several certificates including Project Management, Health Management, and has many years of ministerial volunteer work with youth and music ministry. He is currently completing his Bachelors in Theology from

South African Theological Seminary. As TCA's new Upper Level Campus Ministry Director, he will be planning chapels, retreats, and teaching Leadership Classes. Emelio and his wife Claudine have two children attending Trinity in grades 1 & 4.

# CELEBRATING GENERATIONS OF FAITH \* FAMILY \* FELLOWSHIP



Erin "Crowell" Dubis graduated 8th grade from Trinity in 1991 and attended 9th grade through 1992. Erin and her husband James enrolled their daughter, McKenna, as a Pre-K student and have enjoyed watching her grow through her Christian education as a current 5th grade student. McKenna loves her friends and teachers and has even joined the school band this year. Erin works at Trinity as the After School Care Coordinator.

Lee Kathryn "Armentrout" Hill graduated from Trinity in 2006 from the 8th grade. Lee's love of God, horses and ranch living guided her to meet her husband, Ron. Newly married this summer, they have enrolled their sweet little girl - Devin in the 2nd grade at Trinity to continue the family's commitment to Christian education.





**Kevin Brennan** attended Trinity from Pre-K through the 8th grade in 1993. His mom, Lynn Brennan, worked for Trinity for many years as a teacher before relocating off Cape. Kevin and his wife Sarah returned to Cape Cod and Trinity and have enrolled their children, Megan and Reese, in the 4th and 6th grade, continuing the family legacy!

The Campeau Family has made a commitment to providing a loving and nurturing home founded on Christ and Christian education. **Shyla** "Frazier" Campeau attended Trinity at the original campus in South Yarmouth. Seth and Shyla's oldest Chloe, is beginning her 11th year at TCA as a 9th grader. Dylan -7th, Elianah -3rd and Raya is in 1st grade enjoying each TCA day.





The legacy of Christian Education also continues in the Botello, Solano/Boyar, and Tottenham/Lyden family and several other of our enrolled families. If we missed you on our list, please e-mail Peg Haskell in the Development Office at <a href="mailto:phaskell@tcaoffcc.org">phaskell@tcaoffcc.org</a>. Join our TCA Alumni Group on our school *FACEBOOK* page for exciting and fun news about Trinity.

Notice: Please note 2017 donation receipts can now be E-MAILED from the Development Office.



# MEET TRINITY'S NEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CHAIR DAVID HEVENOR

CLASS OF 2015

Hello. My name is David Hevenor and I am the newly appointed chair of the Alumni Association for Trinity Christian Academy.

I attended Trinity from 2nd grade until I graduated from Trinity in 2015. I am currently attending Liberty University and pursuing my Bachelor's degree in Video Production. Even though I have not attended Trinity for a few years, I still try to stay involved with the school as much as I can. I recently decided to take the position as the chair of the newly created alumni association because I want alumni to be able to still feel connected to Trinity after they graduate. The alumni association is going to host events to bring alumni back to Trinity and help them get reconnected with the school. I invite you to join us for our first event, Alumni Day at TCA, on Monday, January 8, 2018 I have a feeling the start of Trinity's new alumni association is the beginning of something great!



## **ALUMNI DAY**

**JANUARY 8, 2018** 

ALUMNI CHAPEL at 8:00 AM

Come and be a part of TCA's Alumni Chapel and Continental Breakfast. Share, reconnect and inspire TCA's Upper Level Students

**Contact Peg Haskell or David Hevenor** 

508.790.0114 ext. 4

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#### TRINITY'S REPORT ACCEPTED WITHOUT RESERVATION



Founded in 1885

udent Choir

Trinity Christian Academy recently received good news from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. During a review of Trinity's Ten-Year Accreditation with NEASC, the Five Year Interim Review Evaluation Report was accepted "without reservation". the letter o f review the Accreditation Commission of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges,

Trinity Christian Academy was congratulated on its enrollment growth and the quality of the school's programs. The school was also commended for recently hiring a firm to do a feasibility study, for its fundraising efforts to provide financial aid, its careful stewardship and its commitment to addressing academic needs of the Academy through systematic curriculum development which has "yielded good results".

The Commission stated that Trinity "provided a thorough response" to the major recommendations as well as a report on the goals of the school's Multi-Year Plan.

Trinity's Accreditation Review Committee comprised of faculty, as well as board members and administration participated in reviewing standards and preparing the Five-Year Interim Evaluation Report. The NEASC Commission also reviewed financial statements, an independent financial audit, updates on the school's Multi-Year Plan, Technology Plan, curriculum, enrollment, faculty professional development and more. Trinity's Accreditation Review Committee remains active, reviewing benchmarks and standards to keep the school on track for their ten year visit and comprehensive evaluation in 2021.

> Trinity is also accredited by International.

> > eon Goode & Clifton Berner

Class of 1987



The Annie Moses Band



#### CELEBRATING OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY!

On May 5, 2017 Trinity Christian Academy celebrated its 50th Anniversary at the Hyannis Resort and Conference Center. Over 400 guests celebrated the evening in grand style with a walk down memory lane, a reunion of friends and alumni, a delicious dinner and an enchanting concert featuring the Annie Moses Band. Approximately \$85,000 was raised for Financial Aid and memories were made to last a lifetime.

# on the scene



1) Benjamin Wolaver, Annie Dupre, Peg Haskell, Gretchen and Alex Wolaver 2) Anna Harper, Will and Judy Crocker 3) Karen and Ron Timm 4) Sid Davidson, Peg and Ben Haskell 5) Sue Ballantine, Dr. Russell Boles and Margret Boles 6) Jeffrey Caton and Arlene Reed 7) Denise and Richard Murdock Emilia and Edward Guidi 8) Lea Court and Katie Currie 9) Gina Uribazo, James and Jacky Penswick 10) Alice and Craig Campbell and Suzanne Powers 11) Matthew and Liane Levesque 12) Nancy and Al Freeman 13) Kimo and Kristin Baker 14) Jen and Kent Heveno

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#### Unmatched talent, a passion for ministry and a deep love for the Church—for 20 years these have been constants for the musical tour de force known as Selah. Amassing more than 4 million units in sales; eight Gospel Music Association Dove Awards; a Gold certified album and eight #1 singles, the group's signature hits include "You Raise Me Up" and "Wonderful, Merciful Savior." Todd Smith, Allan Hall and Amy Perry have together graced the stage of Nashville's historic Ryman Auditorium and the Grand Ole Opry, all the while carrying a message of hope and healing for those who pause and listen. True to form, Selah's first all-new recording in nearly three years, Unbreakable, is hallmarked by the beloved trio's down-to-earth realness, soaring harmonies and unforgettable

arrangements." www.selahonline.com

# Save the Date \* Annual Spring Banquet Friday \* May 4. 2018 \* 6:00 rm

FEATURING Selah IN CONCERT

#### TRINITY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY'S

## Spring Banquet & Scholarship Fundraiser

Friday, May 4, 2018 at 6:00 PM

The Resort & Conference Center at Hyannis

**SEAT**  $\sim$  \$100.00 or **TABLE** / 8  $\sim$  \$800.00

Event Sponsorships Available

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# On-line Reservation Available www.trinitychristiancapecod.org

The event includes dinner, program and concert with Selah. An opportunity to make a difference in the lives of the youth on Cape Cod will be presented. Funds raised at the Banquet will benefit the TCA Scholarship / Financial Aid Fund.