

Trinity UMC Playschool
Newsletter
November 2010



DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov 2nd & 3rd - Event Images Fall Pictures
Nov. 4th & 5th - WNC Conference
(Playschool CLOSED)
Nov. 11th - Veteran's Day **(Playschool Open)**
Nov. 16th & 18th - Silhouette Artist (Fundraiser)
Nov. 24th-26th - Thanksgiving Break
(Playschool CLOSED)



LOOKING AHEAD

Dec. 8th - Supper with Santa
Dec. 20th - Dec. 31st - Christmas Break

School will be closed November 24th, 25th, and 26th for Thanksgiving Break.

Please Help Keep our Children Healthy



As you know, this is cold and flu season. We understand that children may be fine in the morning and become sick very quickly, but please pay close attention to your child. If they are fussy and not acting like themselves, they are probably showing the first signs of being sick. Please remember to keep your child at home for 24 hours after having been sick, vomiting or running a fever. This will help prevent the spread of viruses and colds. Thanks!!

WNC Workshop :November 4th and 5th *Our teachers went to school!*

Each fall the Western North Carolina Conference holds a workshop for teachers and directors who work with preschool children. The conference offers two days where over fifty different classes are available. Most of our staff attended the workshop in order to gain even more insight for working with your children.



November Birthdays

Five years old

Lex Kaijser Bots November 6th
Nehemiah Wallace November 21st
Justus Whitlow November 29th

Four years old

Maylie Cobb November 22nd
L.B. Harris November 27th

Three years old

Katie Bradley November 5th
Elizabeth Anderson November 10th

Update on Event Images Picture's

Event Images was at our school on October 29th, November 2nd & 3rd. We have used Event Images for quite a few years and are very pleased with their service. The pictures will be back in time for Christmas.

You will receive a proof/order sheet soon. Event Images will return in the spring to take class pictures and pictures of this year's graduating class.



Dance Class is a Huge Success

The children that have signed up for the dance class are having such a wonderful time. We can't believe



how fast they are learning and they are definitely are not missing any physical activity by not being on the playground for one day each

week. Miss Rubi begins each class with stretching and warming up their muscles and then it is constant movement. We have spaces left in both the Tuesday and Friday class (mostly on Friday, Tuesday is about at its limit). Talk to Crystal or Claudia if you are interested and remember this class is for both boys and girls!

Life in the Classroom

With Miss Andrea's Class

What can I say, even though we have a small classroom it is full of energy. There never seems to be a dull moment. Of course we start our day with free play and art. That time flies by. While I work with

each child on art the rest of the class is busy with at least 3 or 4 tea parties in between building bridges with the blocks to walk across, towers, and a huge stage to dance and perform on.



We get anything from singing Scooby Doo the Hex Girls to singing Oprah. It is so funny. There are days I sit back and take a minute or two to watch their imaginations running wild. As we move on we clean up and sit down for our lessons of the day. That is calendar, days of the week, numbers, letters, books for the lessons, and so much more. We also play matching games and their all time favorite Simon Say's. After so much playing and learning they are starving, so they tell me. So we eat, (I have learned they love Apple Jacks) then take a potty break. Most kids tell me in between if they have to go. After so much busy time we go outside most days for the last 30 minutes to get the fresh air. Each child loves it because they can see their siblings or friends from other rooms. Or (boy-friends / girl-friends) in other rooms. To settle down our eventful, kind of chaotic day, we go over the program "Making Great Readers" and wait for the much anticipated arrival of mommies, daddies, or grandparents to come pick them up. So to end my short story of our class if you would like to see great entertainment peek in on free play for the musicals, or watch as they blurt out all the answers during circle time. We perform daily in Mrs. Andrea's room. Thank you and God Bless you for sharing your special children with us here at Trinity Playschool.

With Love From Claudia

The holidays are upon us and I couldn't be more excited. The other day as I was thinking about Thanksgiving and Christmas I realized that money for everyone is going to be a lot harder to come by than it was a few years ago. But you know my next thought was, it doesn't matter! We have families and that is what makes holidays

so special. When I say families I'm not talking about just our immediate family members but about all the other families that we are a part of. The children come to mind instantly when you think of families. Each classroom is a family. They may fuss and fight just like I witnessed in the younger twos, as I watched two little girls tug at the same doll. (Where was King Solomon when we needed him? 1 Kings 3:16-28) We may not have had a King Solomon but the younger twos have a quiet little boy named Matthew that walked up to the girls, took the doll out of their hands and gently held it. I panicked at first and thought those two little divas are going to rip Matthew apart. Not a word was said. The two little girls' heartbeats returned to normal and they calmed down. Matthew laid the doll on the seat of the play car that the girls were sitting in and everything again was right with the world. I invite each of you to just stand and watch any of our classrooms from the Babies to the TK's and you will see similar things happening every day. A few weeks ago at our Chick-Fil-a Spirit Night I saw how much the teachers, children and parents were a family. We had so much fun together.

Please don't miss any opportunity where all of the playschool family gets together. Bonds are formed that last a lifetime. The ones of you who are active members of places of worship realize that is another family that you are a part of.

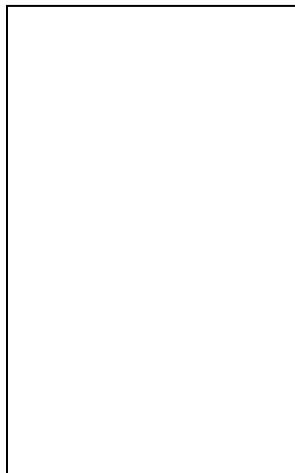
Neighborhoods become families if you walk outside of your door and meet everyone.



What I want to leave you with is: We don't need money for the holidays, we just need to look at who your family is in a little different way like the children in the playschool classes do. A family is a group of people who know each other, love each other and meet each other's needs. This year there may be fewer presents, but let's make an effort to spend more time with ALL of our families and you may find that you have the best holidays ever.

Custom Silhouette Portraits

Silhouette artist Erik Johnson will be visiting our school on Tuesday November 16th and Thursday November 18th to create silhouettes of our children. Each cutting is a one-of-a-kind, original work of art. Mr. Johnson is a third generation silhouette artist and has been creating these wonderful keepsakes for most of his life. Erik does his silhouettes as they have been done for centuries. He simply looks at the subject's profile and cuts their exact likeness out of black paper, freehand, using surgical scissors. This is a fundraiser for our school so any portraits that you purchase will directly benefit us. You will receive more information soon.



Every Sunday:

Open Hearts.
Open Minds.
Open Doors.



We invite you to bring your family and be a part of our family each Sunday.

Celebration Service: 9:00AM
Sunday School: 10:00AM
Worship Service: 11:00AM

Trinity Church also offers Youth Programs for Kindergarten through 12th grade on Sunday afternoons from 5-6:30pm. Feel free to stop by Sunday afternoon and see what Trinity's Youth Program has to offer your family!

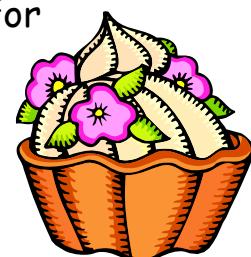
K-2nd Led by Shea and Holly Hartsell
3rd-5th Led by Margie O'Shields
6th-12th Led by Shelly Black

Talk to Claudia or call the church office 704-399-1684 for more information!

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Cakes by Me!

If your holidays are anything like mine, you may run out of time for your family's favorite dish....dessert! If you are interested in purchasing handmade cakes, cookie trays, pies, etc. Please email or give me a call. My prices are based on size/amount. Happy Holidays!



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Our cookie fundraiser was also a huge success. We made approximately \$1,570. Our top cookie seller was **Crimson Dellinger** in Miss Andrea's class. She sold \$420 worth of cookies. Thank you Crimson!!! The following children sold over \$200 worth of cookies:

Ella Rossie - \$285
Peyton Basaldua - \$270
Addison Walker - \$255
Morgan Hill - \$255
Morgan Patterson - \$240
Bailey Smith - \$225

We would not have done so well if we did not have your support so, THANK YOU!! The funds raised will be used toward scholarship and needed supplies. The cookies will be delivered on Wednesday December 1st. You will receive more information soon.

Also we owe a BIG THANK YOU to **Christine Erickson (Alex Erickson's mom)** who donated \$200 toward our school needs. We have the greatest parents in the world!