



Trinity UMC Playschool
 Newsletter
 November 2014



November
 Birthdays



DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov. 6th and 7th - (Preschool CLOSED) WNC Conference

Nov. 8th - Fish Fry 4PM until...

Nov. 11th - Veteran's Day (Preschool CLOSED)

Nov. 23rd - Operation Christmas Child Sunday

Nov. 26th, 27th & 28th - Thanksgiving Break

LOOKING AHEAD

Dec 10th - Supper with Santa

Dec. 22nd - Jan. 2nd - Christmas Break

Five years old

Zavier Goedert November 20th

Four years old

Tyler Woolford November 3rd

Two years old

Taylor Woolford November 8th

Chloe Pierson November 28th

One year old

Harper McMillan November 26th

Seve Liner November 30th



Classroom Openings in Our Ones and Twos

The children in our One year old and Two year old classes are doing AMAZING. They love each other and love school! Parents hesitate

when they are so young, starting them in preschool. I use to feel the same way and it took about 10 years to convince me of the benefits. We have a few spaces in each class. We want to add a third day to "Miss" Dana and "Miss Marie's class on Wednesday. If you would like more days, let us know. If you have a friend that is on the fence about enrolling their child, just share your child's page on Parent Post so they can see for their selves.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8th

4:00pm - until

FLOUNDER, CATFISH, SHRIMP, FRIES, SLAW, HUSHPUPIES

\$10.00 per plate

Sponsored by - Trinity United Methodist Men

Every Sunday:

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



Celebration Service: 9:00AM

Sunday School: 10:00AM (For all ages!)

Worship Service: 11:00AM

WNC Workshop

We are going back 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 (November 6th and 7th) where over fifty different classes are available. This year the workshop will be held in Matthews, NC. The entire staff will be attending. The teachers always come back from the workshop inspired and motivated.



Long Creek Volunteer Fire Department

Special thanks go out to the firefighters at Long Creek Vol. Fire Dept. They visited our children during Fire Prevention Week. Long Creek Fire Department has supported the preschool for the whole 30 some years that we have been open. As a matter of fact, some of them are Trinity Preschool graduates! We will be seeing them again in December when they bring Santa Claus to Supper with Santa. The firefighters have told us that Santa really gets excited each year, when they turn on the lights and sirens.

Dance Classes Are SO MUCH FUN

We still have spaces to join our dances classes. Dance meets on Mondays. Cost is \$25 per month. If you are interested talk to Cindy or Claudia



Children Say the Cutest Thing

Thursday the 30th, there were lots parties around the preschool. To add to the festivities Hannah Field brought a bag of powdered sugar doughnuts, Schylar Jennings brought sugar cookies with cream icing. They also had two treat bags filled with candy and were planning on trick or treating around the school. You may not know this but if you combine too much sugar with a group of pre-kindergarteners there is a chemical reaction that comes in apex proportions. Being concerned and not knowing what to do "Miss" Susan ask Hannah if she would mind if she waited until Monday to share her doughnuts with the class. She looked up at Susan and said, "Sure, You're the teacher." Bet all of you wish it was that easy at home!

With Love from Claudia

Wow, the last couple of months have been an emotional roller coaster. Many nights I lay awake and wonder how people get through cancer without having the support that I do. I am so humbled by the fact that the children here at the school and hundreds of graduates of Trinity have sent me love and prayers. The teachers, parents, my family, old classmates, Trinity members and Lucia Baptist members have been my rock. I am truly blessed. Of course my main support is God. I honestly think that without Him hanging on to me I would be too frightened to come out from under the covers each morning. All of this support boils down to one thing; **Feeling part of a community, something so much bigger than yourself.** It is so important that you foster in your child an understanding of who they are and what life is about. This is done by creating many opportunities for them to feel they belong. Children first experience belonging to a community by being a part of their own family. When a child enters preschool their community expands to include teachers and other children. In their preschool years they learn the skills that allow them to make others feel as they belong, showing them how important they are in God's family. Community is God's answer to defeat. Ecclesiastes 4:10 says, "If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him" (NIV). Remember: You can try, but you can't live life well on your own. We all need other people - to walk with us, to work with us, and to watch out for us. Thank you SO MUCH for all the support all of you have given me!



Operation Christmas Child 2014

For many years Trinity UMC Preschool has taken part in the Samaritan's Purse project, "Operation Christmas Child". This



organization is headed by Franklin Graham and takes Christmas gifts to needy children around the world. These are children that don't know what it feels like to have a full stomach, their own bed,

much less their own bedroom. Most of the children who will receive shoeboxes have never received a gift of any kind. That small box filled with small toys, school supplies and hygiene items is grander to them than if you were to give your child the whole toy store. Please consider taking on this mission project that will mean the world to you and your child. There is no greater present to give your own child for Christmas than to make this a family tradition each year where you and your child shop together to fill a shoebox.

There will be boxes available to pick up for your child. You can also use a shoe box from home. If you want to wrap the box make sure that you wrap the lid and bottom separately and use two rubber bands to secure it. There will be extra labels available to use. If you pick up one of the Samaritan Purse boxes, the paper work will be inside

On Sunday, November 23rd we will have the dedication service for the shoeboxes at our 11:00AM church service. All of the children will sing a special song at the beginning of the service. We would love for you and your children to attend that Sunday. The children (preschool children, their older brothers and sisters and Trinity member's children) start the service by carrying in the boxes and placing them by the altar. It is one of the most beautiful sights that you will ever see. Helpers will be out front at 10:45 on that Sunday. Drop the children off with them so they can line up and then you can go into the sanctuary. Please turn in your boxes to Cindy's office by Friday, November 23rd if you are not going to be able to be at the service.

Kids Say the Cutest Things



If you need suggestions on how to prepare your Thanksgiving Dinner, Miss Kim and Miss Whitney's class have suggestions... How to Cook a Turkey

Abby - NOOOO, I don't have a turkey. I bake cookies for Thanksgiving

Preslee - -You put it in the oven and you start the oven. That's how you cook turkey.

Bentley - Pappaw helps cook the turkey, JUST the turkey, nothing else.

Kingston - I don't know how; my Mom just cooks it

Griffin - My daddy cooks the turkey and grilled cheese and that's it.

Eli - I cook the turkey with Mommy and Daddy and I cook it with a shoe.

Taylor G - You cook a turkey with ham in the oven.

Jackie - Put it in the oven with Marshmallows until it is so warm.

Taylor D - She puts it in the oven with the French fries and Daddy puts the ketchup on it.

Harper - My Mommy doesn't know how to cook turkey. She buys it at the store.

Lyla - We put it in the oven and wait for 30 minutes. Then it is really warm.

Ava - She stirs the turkey.

Elizabeth - My mommy cooks turkey with cheese.

Jerrick = My mommy cooks a little turkey.

Walk for Wishes

A great big shout out to the kids of Trinity UMC Preschool in their Walk for Wishes they collected 4,367 pennies,



720 nickels, 1,157 dimes, 711 quarters, 1 dollar coin, 62 one dollar bills, an anonymous check for 100 dollars, an unidentified Asian coin, 37 cents in Canadian money, 1 token from the Gay Dolphin Gift shop in Myrtle Beach, 2 tokens for Adventure Landing, two pennies super glued together, and a tiny corner of a five dollar bill (we are looking really hard for the rest of that 5), giving us a grand total for Team Isaiah of \$536.12.

All of you will be in my thoughts

My surgery will be November the 24th at Presbyterian Hospital up town. The surgery will start at 10:30 and I am to arrive at 8:30, the time I am usually checking emails and getting ready to go out



and greet the BEST preschoolers in the whole world. The doctor said that it is usually a three week recovery period BUT 16 days from the surgery I WILL BE AT SUPPER WITH SANTA on Wednesday the 10th. My children say No, but if you are going to bet on who wins, bet on me. Please mark your calendars and bring those young'uns. It is such a great night! There will be more about Supper with Santa in next month's newsletter.

Life in the Classroom



A Visit with "Miss" Mary and "Miss" Hannah's Two Year Olds

So, do you feel the need for a little excitement? Feel free to stop by our class, but just make sure you are prepared. Here is a glimpse of our typical morning. We start the day with free play which includes taking puzzles apart and searching for missing pieces, catching bubbles in our mouth, driving to Target in our fancy fire truck, building the world's tallest towers or reading our favorite stories three times in a row.

Remember not to wear your Sunday best when you visit...we tend to get messy during art! We experiment with several different art mediums including crayons, markers, glue and paint, which seems to be the favorite. If you're feeling a bit tired, don't worry, it will soon be time to eat. First, we need to have circle time so we can read our special book and sing our transition song for snack. Yum, yum!

Once everyone has a fresh diaper, we are headed to the playground! Now we can bake mulch pies, man the pirate ship, soar to the sky on the swings, or meet our friends in the clubhouse. Well, it's the end of our day and we must say goodbye. If you feel up to the challenge, meet us back here tomorrow for another day of adventure!