

# Trinity Lutheran Preschool Newsletter

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*Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus  
1 Thessalonians 5:18*



**M/W/F Class**

**A Look at November**

Mrs. Todt & Miss Vinlove

What a busy fun-filled month! We got a jump-start on Christmas at our Festival of Trees field trip. Of course we enjoyed the beautifully decorated trees, but also a scavenger hunt, snack time, a craft, and our favorite -- a train ride! Oh yes, some of us also let Santa know about a few things on our Christmas list! Much of November's projects were about thankfulness and celebrating God's blessings in our lives. We had fun with a Seasons of Change project where we decorated trees for each of the four seasons and sampled a variety of seasonal foods. We also learned about forgiveness and God's very special plan for each one of us as we heard about the story of Joseph and his brothers. We ended the month with a Thanksgiving feast, and it truly was a feast from beginning

to end! Miss Vinlove helped us create an edible turkey from Ritz crackers, chocolate frosting, candy corn and more. We whipped up some cornbread and a blessing mix together and in addition, ate turkey and pumpkin pie. And believe it or not, we also started singing Christmas music in November so we can learn our songs for you! We are looking forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus and can't wait for you to hear what we are learning.





## November Sight Words & Blends



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## Monday/Wednesday/Friday Class Calendar

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| December 6                | Show & Tell - Letter R   |
| December 11               | Chapel Chat with Mrs. Kaufmann                                 |
| December 13               | Christmas Story & play time at Auburn Library                  |
| December 14               | Trinity Lutheran<br>Preschool Christmas<br>Program & reception |
| December 20               | Show & Tell - M  |
| December 20               | Class Christmas Party & gift exchange                          |
| December 22-<br>January 1 | No School - Merry<br>Christmas & Happy New<br>Year!            |
| January 3                 | School Resumes<br>Show & Tell - A favorite<br>Christmas gift!  |

**T/TH Class**  
**A Season of Thanks**  
 Mrs. Kaufmann & Miss Vinlove

November flew by fast as we learned about The First Thanksgiving and how the Pilgrims and the Native Americans came together for a feast to thank God for their new friendships and harvest. We also learned about how Jesus healed 10 sick men, and how we want to be like the 1 who came back to tell Jesus "thank you". We talked how we can thank God for our blessings every day in prayer. We learned fun songs about good table manners and turkeys.

Our preschool is thankful for each of you for choosing us! We love teaching your children! Thank you also for sending your child's contribution for the Blessing Mix! They enjoyed creating a snack together. Be sure to check out all the pictures of our Class Thanksgiving Feast on Facebook to see what else we made.

We are also thankful for our trip to Festival of Trees to see all the beautiful Christmas decorations. It was wonderful having parents and grandparents join us! We will end the month learning about the First Christmas when our Savior was born and how we want to share this Good News with everyone. We will begin learning our Christmas songs for the program and hope you and your family and friends can come!



**T/Th**  
**Class Calendar**

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| December 7                | Show and Tell—Letter H<br>Hat Day                                     |
| December 12               | Chapel Day with Mrs. Todt   |
| December 14               | Show and Tell—Letter R<br>Christmas Program and<br>Reception @ 6 pm   |
| December 19               | Addyson's Birthday &<br>Christmas Party/Gift<br>Exchange (a \$5 Book) |
| December 21-<br>January 2 | No School - Merry<br>Christmas & Happy New<br>Year!                   |
| January 4                 | School Resumes  |



# Birthday Blessings to You!



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| Addyson          | December 19                          |
| Fintee           | January 4                            |
| Ari Lou          | ½ Birthday Celebration<br>January 26 |
| MRS.<br>Kaufmann | ½ Birthday Celebration<br>January 29 |

## Families will:

- ★ Enjoy a breakfast of fruit, pastries, milk, and juice
- ★ "Journey" with the angel to Bethlehem
- ★ See live actors portraying Baby Jesus, Mary, Joseph, and the Shepherds
- ★ Receive a gift for your family to use at home in preparation for Christmas
- ★ Picture opportunities with the Live Nativity.

Parents & Grandparents bring your family for this special event! **WATCH** for a flier coming home to RSVP for this event.

*Free Event provided by Trinity's Children & Family Ministry.*

God's Blessings,  
Donna Moldenhauer  
Christian Education Coordinator  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
Auburn, IL



Breakfast with the  
Angel  
&  
Journey to the Manger  
Saturday, December 2 at  
8:30 AM

In the Multipurpose Room  
You have heard of "Breakfast with Santa". Join us for "Breakfast with the Angel".

The Angel announced "I bring you **good news of great joy** that shall be for all people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord."

**Do you know how the scrip program works?** Buying scrip cards, or more commonly known as gift cards, through the church is an easy way to raise money for the preschool and GROW programs. These can be used for everyday purchases or gifts for someone else. These cards are the same

as you would buy in the stores, but is much simpler to purchase than going from store to store. The retailer of the card donates a percentage of that sale to the preschool program here at church. For example, when you purchase a \$25 Walmart scrip card here, Walmart donates 2.5%, or .63, to our program, and you still get a card worth \$25. Now .63 doesn't sound like much, but it soon adds up. Some retailers donate up to 13% per sale. Since the program started in 2004 the cumulative profit from retailer donation is \$22,312.06 for our program here. What better way to raise extra funds; place your order, along with your payment, with the staff here at Trinity by any

Friday and your order will be ready for you on the following Thursday or Friday. Saves you time, earns money for the preschool while still getting gift cards with full face value, and the convenience of not having to go from store to store. Ask the staff for a complete retailer listing or go to [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) to view retailers that has gift cards for just about anything you can imagine, including for food, gas, lodging, clothing, furniture and appliances, computers, office supplies, department stores, even Disney, and the list goes on and on. If you shop on line or have that "hard to buy for person", Amazon.com, Visa Five Back gift cards, and Discover Universal Gift

Cards are available. In order to insure delivery in time for Christmas, place your order by Dec. 8. Remember, place your order along with payment (cash or check made payable to Trinity Lutheran Church) by any Friday and delivery will be the next Thursday or Friday.

Scrip Coordinators, Susan Stewart  
& Tina Richmond