

Trinity Lutheran Preschool Newsletter

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*Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.
Corinthians 13:4-5*



M/W/F Class

January News

Mrs. Todt & Miss Vinlove

We are happy to welcome Kayti to Trinity Lutheran Preschool! She joined us on January 3 and we couldn't be more thrilled. Welcome aboard Kayti! We look forward to all the fun we will have...together!

The Bible story of Baby Moses and then a grown up Moses helped us understand that God has a very special plan for each of our lives. Jesus told the parable of the Lost Sheep, but we heard this parable as "Shelly" the Sheep explained its meaning in a most creative way! Like a good shepherd, God takes very good care of all of His children.



Children meeting "Shelly", the Lost Sheep

While learning about hibernating animals, we made and ate bear claws. Yes, bear claws! Made from biscuits, we tore and molded the dough to make a paw with claws, spread butter on top, sprinkled sugar and cinnamon on next, and then baked. Yummy!

We picked our very first Someone Special on Wednesday, January 17 and Cade's name was drawn from our box.



Cade LOVES farming and knows everything there is to know about anything farm-related! His poster board highlighted many different farm equipment pictures and we even saw Cade next to his BIG tractor! Also on his poster board were pictures of his family, cousins, and Cade in his soccer gear. We loved the picture of Cade driving a racecar! God loves Cade and we do too!!



Ari Lou was our next Someone Special, and she is special indeed. Her poster board was sparkly, just like Ari's personality! It was full of fun pictures; we saw her family, friends, cousins, Ari at a castle in Disneyland and our favorite, Ari driving her Jeep!

Of course, the highlight of our month was Lutheran Schools Week. Go to our Facebook page to see many pictures of this special week.

February begins with Groundhog Day fun. Then there will be a "whole lotta love" demonstrated as we lead up to Valentine's Day. Our Bible stories teach us how we can obey Jesus' command to love one another.

February Sight Words & Blends



to big pig

If you have not done so yet, please complete and return the Parent Evaluation you received recently. These are crucial in planning for the future. Thank you!



Monday/Wednesday/Friday Class Calendar

February 2	Ground Hog Day Activities
February 7	Show & Tell - Letter O
February 12	No School - President's Day
February 14	Show & Tell - Bring something you Love 
February 14	Class Valentine's Day Party
February 19	Chapel Chat with Pastor Kaufmann
February 21	Show & Tell - Letter U
February 26	Field Trip to Scheels
February 28	Show & Tell - Letter L

T/TH Class

"It's Still All About Jesus"

Mrs. Kaufmann & Miss Vinlove

In January, we learned "all about Jesus" to coincide with our National Lutheran Schools Week theme. We learned how Baby Jesus grew up, called His Disciples to follow Him, taught about God's love for everyone, performed miracles, and healed the sick. We also learned our theme verse, "Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today, and forever" Hebrews 13:8. He is our Savior always! Be sure to follow us on Facebook to see all the pictures from our exciting week celebrating Lutheran schools!

Thank you to parents and grandparents for supporting our Scholastic Book Fair and/or bought books to donate to preschool! Children benefit so much from reading books on your lap and then "reading" them independently. It fosters a love of reading at a young age as they correlate books with your love and attention.

As we look ahead to February, we will learn more about how Jesus blessed the little children and how we can become God's child through Baptism. If you or your child would like to know more about Baptism, please let me know. Pastor and/or I would be glad to answer any questions you may have.

As the children enter preschool each day, they answer a "Question of the Day" by finding their name magnet and placing it under their answer. Ex: Do you have a Letter Dd in your name? This helps them identify their name and find letters in their name. We are also beginning to have them trace their name in our Sign-in Book as they arrive to help them learn to write their names. We do other activities as well like manipulating individual foam letters to create their name. I love to see how much the girls are learning at preschool!



Practicing our cutting skills with scissors



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We love our grandparents!



Dinah learning about puzzles from Addy.

T/Th

Class Calendar

February 1	Show and Tell--Letter O
February 8	Show and Tell—Letter U
February 13	Class Valentine Party
February 15	Show and Tell—Letter L or something you Love
February 20	Chapel Chat with Pastor
February 22	Field Trip-- "Nugget and Fang", a story about friendship

Birthday Blessings to You!



<i>Kate</i>	<i>February 14</i>
<i>Cade</i>	<i>February 17</i>



Concluding our God Made Animals Month with a visit from some friends!

From the scrip table: With the New Year comes new resolutions. Using the scrip program is a good resolution to make, then keep. All of us buy everyday essentials like food, gas, maybe clothing, home improvements, etc. Why not purchase scrip cards to keep on hand for these purchases? If you budget for dining out, vacationing, and gifting, you can purchase cards for these too. We have scrip cards for almost anything you can think of. Visa debit cards, Amazon, and Discovery cards are available also. Order forms are in the box on top of the cubbies, along with an available complete retailer list. Fill it out with your name, a phone number and a check made to Trinity or you can pay with cash. Give it to any staff member by Friday and the order will be ready for you the following week. We do carry a limited supply of cash and carry cards for immediate purchase. The scrip team thanks you for your consideration in using the scrip program. AND the best part of the scrip program is that the retailers donate the profit of the sales to the preschool program here at Trinity. Any questions can be directed to the staff or Susan Stewart at 217-299-1334.

Thanks,
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