

# Trinity Lutheran Preschool Press

DECEMBER 2024

## Christmas Blessings

*"The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him..." John 1:9-10*



The themes for the month of December are: The Birth of Christ and Giving to

Others. The celebration of Christmas is often accompanied by the giving and receiving of presents and cards. The birth of Christ is the gift of Jesus, the son of God, beginning his earthly life. Jesus is God's gift to us; He is our Savior!

The children will learn the story of Joseph, Mary and how Jesus came to be in our lives. Children will learn how great it feels to give to others who are less fortunate.

Children will continue to learn the letters T, C, O, R, and N along with the shape STAR and color WHITE. The Bible Verse for the month is "A Savior is born; He is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:11). The Bible stories for the month are:

**Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

"Boy King Josiah"

"The Brave Queen"

Chapel Time with Pastor Bersche  
"Fiery Furnace"

"Daniel and the Lions"

"Jonah the Big Fish"

**Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>**

"An Angel Visits Mary"

Chapel Time with Pastor Bersche

"Baby Jesus is Born"

"Shepherds Visit"

**Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>**

"Simon and Anna Meet Baby Jesus"

Chapel Time with Pastor Bersche

"The Bright Star and the Three Visitors"

Children are learning the Fifth Commandment:

You shall not murder. What does this mean? We are to fear and love God so that we do not hurt our neighbor in any way but help him in all his physical needs.



**Christmas Gift**

**Ornament Gift**

**Exchange!**

Your child's teacher gave you a name for the class ornament gift exchange. Please bring to class

by Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> and no later than Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>.



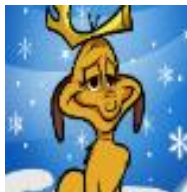
### **Fantasy of Lights!**

This year's theme for the Fantasy of Lights is Cowboy Christmas. Please make sure your permission forms are turned into the office or your child's teacher. Please arrive at the float around 6:30 pm. The parade will promptly begin at 7:00 pm. Thank you to all the parents who helped in decorating the float for preschool. A big thank you to Spenser and Arielle Pitcock for using their truck, trailer and other items.



### **Candy Cane Story** –

The children will enjoy the story of the Candy Cane and watch a short video about it on Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Your child will learn the Legend of the Candy Cane. The Cane is like the staff used by the shepherds in caring for sheep. Jesus is our "Good Shepherd." Red is for God's love that sent Jesus to give his life for us on the cross. The Stripes remind us of Jesus' suffering-his crown of thorns, the wounds in his hands and feet; and the cross on which he died.



### **Dress as a Grinch Character**

On Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> the children will read and watch the movie "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." Your child may dress as one of the characters from the movie.



### **Wear White Day!**

Since we are learning the color WHITE for the month, we would like the children to wear something WHITE to preschool on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Children can wear white clothes, socks, shoes, hair bows, neckties or whatever you can think of to reinforce the color WHITE!



### **Flashlight Day!**

On Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> the children may bring a flashlight to preschool labeled with their name. The teachers will have fun and exciting projects for the children to use their flashlights. They will hear the story about the "Lost Sheep" and use their flashlights to find him.



### **CUTE Ugly Sweater Day**

The children can wear a CUTE UGLY SWEATER on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. We can all get into the spirit of

wearing a cute ugly sweater given to you by someone for Christmas or a sweater you are embarrassed to wear in public. You can also make your own cute ugly sweater to wear to preschool.



### **Christmas Caroling!**

The entire preschool will go on a

walking field trip to Austin County State Bank and sing on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. If you are able to make this and help chaperone the preschoolers, we would love you to come along. The bank employees will have a snack for them to enjoy.

### **Christmas Party!**

Each child in the classroom will draw names so we can have an ornament gift exchange among the children. The ornaments can be around \$5.00. This way the children can have fun exchanging their gifts but the gift will go straight into their bags so they can open the gift at home.

All ornaments need to be wrapped from whom and to whom and brought to the preschool by Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Please do not forget to bring your ornament gift, as we do not want a sad child without a gift.

The preschool Christmas party will take place on Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am – 10:30 am. The preschool party will be a mini corn dog party. Please check the party sign up list to see how you can help by purchasing food items needed for the party. Please sign up ahead of time to help with the games at the party. Only the parents that sign up to help with the party are the ones that may attend.



### **Mrs. Beth Franke Reads to the Preschoolers!**

Mrs. Franke a retired Librarian and a wife to Pastor Gil Franke, members of Trinity Lutheran Church, will read to the preschoolers on Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> on the Birth of Jesus.

### **Celebrating Jesus' Birthday**

Mary Buechmann, a church member, will make a cake for the children to celebrate Jesus' birthday on Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. The cake will be white with white frosting. We will all sing happy birthday to our Lord and Savior, Jesus.



### **Pajama Day & Christmas Movie!**

All children Wear your pajamas! Bring your pillow and blanket, popcorn, and a drink to preschool.



We will enjoy the morning with a Christmas movie, Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>!



**Family of the Week!**

Your child is asked to bring about five to ten pictures of their family to be placed on the preschool bulletin board in the hallway. Always check your calendar of events to see if it is your turn to be family of the week. Families of the Week for the month of December are:

**Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>**

Willow Eckert

**Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>**

Parker Gass

**Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>**

Guadalupe Gomez

Please bring your pictures on Friday before your child is Family of the Week!

Christmas and New Year Holidays are:

Friday, December 20, 2024, through Monday, January 6, 2025.

***PRESCHOOL WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025***

***Have a Safe and Blessed Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!  
Ms. Maggie***

