



**CALVARY LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL
DECEMBER 2015 – NEWSLETTER**

Wow, where is the year going? Thanks to all the parents who drove to the fire station. We sure had fun learning about our fire department. Thank you, also, for everyone who shared in our Thanksgiving popcorn feast. What a fun way to reinforce the Thanksgiving message.

Now that winter is upon us, please remember that if the Post Falls school district cancels school because of the weather, so will the preschool. You can turn on your local news or radio stations to hear which schools are closed.

In December, we will be learning the letters J and K, the colors red and green, the number 5, and we will continue to work on our cutting skills.

Our Bible verses are:

Luke 2:11 – “A Savior was born for you.”

Luke 2:14 – “Glory to God in the highest.”

Upcoming events for December – *Throughout December we will be doing various crafts and projects in the extra classroom from 9:00 to 9:30, any day that you can stay and help would be appreciated. We can always use the extra hands.*

The Preschool does two outreaches throughout the school year. These are not required, but allow us time to talk to our students about helping others. Our first is in December, in honor of Jesus’ Birth, we will send home a piggy bank that the students can use to collect loose change and money that might be laying around the house, car, etc. The money will be used to help us buy “Good Gifts” for families living in ultra poverty in 3rd world countries. We will be pooling the money, with the congregation, to buy goats, pigs, chicken, etc. for families in need. (www.elca.org/goodgifts). Our second outreach will be around spring break and we will have a trike a ‘thon for family promise and families in our area.

- ⇒ **December 8th-10th** – Please bring in a book (\$5.00 or less) for a book exchange between the students after the Christmas Program. Wrap the book and place a tag with your child’s name saying who it is **From**, but not whom it is **For**. We would like to collect the books early, so that we know that everyone has a book.
- ⇒ **December 10th** – We will make and decorate gingerbread cookies to eat as we watch a Christmas movie
- ⇒ **December 17th** – Christmas Program – We will be having a Christmas program and reception from 10:00 to 12:00. **There will be no preschool on this day.** Please bring your child back into the preschool classrooms between 9:40 – 9:50, so that we can prepare them for the program which is to start at 10:00 in the chapel. Cameras are allowed and please feel free to invite family and friends. **Please remember that these are young children and many will be nervous, which they will express in different ways. It is OK!** We will have the book exchange and reception following the program.

We ask that each family bring 1 dozen cookies to share at the reception to follow the program. Thank you!!!

- ⇒ **December 22th – December 31st** - No preschool – Christmas Break.
- ⇒ **January 5th** - Preschool resumes.

Have a Christmas blessing, and thank you for all the you do!!! *Jodene Meehan*



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NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER
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Wow, what a fun filled month! We sure had a great time at Carver Farms. What a beautiful day! It was also a fun time seeing all the costumes and books at our harvest party.

In November, we will be going over the letters G, H, and I, and number 3. We will be reviewing all the letters, shapes, colors, and numbers. We will also be discussing the first Thanksgiving with the Indians and Pilgrims.

Our Bible verses are:

Revelation 11:17 - "We give thanks to thee, Lord God."
Psalms 95:2 - "Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving."

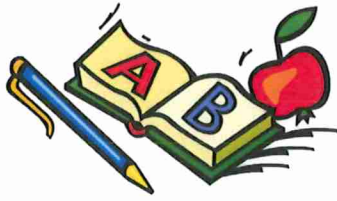
Upcoming events for November will be:

Nov. 12th - Field trip to the Fire Station – We will be going to tour the fire station at 10:00.

Nov. 19th -Thanksgiving Feast – Each student will be asked to bring one item (2 cups) to mix in with popcorn (i.e. M&M/s, cereal, marshmallows, dried fruit, milk duds, teddy grams, gold fish, etc.) The preschool will then mix all these items with popcorn to make our Thanksgiving feast. Our student will eat the mixture while watching a Thanksgiving movie.

Nov. 24th - 26th - No school, Thanksgiving Break

Blessings, Jodene Meehan



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It was a bummer that we had to cancel the day at the park, but it will be fun getting to know everyone at Paul Bunyan Days! We will be celebrating many of the American Legends of past. We also had a great time when Mrs. Mina came into the preschool to read to us.

In October, we will be learning the letters C, D, E, & F and the numbers 1-2. We will also be working on our cutting skills, learning the colors; orange, yellow, and black, and practicing writing our names. We will be sending a homework page home throughout the school year. It will be worth a stick towards the treasure box, if the students return it completed. **Please continue to reinforce the skills your student is learning at preschool with games and activities at home.**

Our Bible verses are:

Genesis 6:22 – “Noah did everything just as God commanded him.”

Genesis 15:6 – “Abram believed the Lord.”

Upcoming events for October will be:

- Oct. 1st - **Paul Bunyan Days** – We will need parent volunteers to help run the different stations. We are also really excited for our special guest!
- Oct. 4th - **Blessing of the Animals at the 9:00 Service** – Any students who can attend are asked to bring a stuffed animal to bless. They will also be leading the congregation in a song. Pets may also attend service on that day to be blessed.
- Oct. 8th – **Preschool Picture Day** – We will be taking pictures of the children in the morning along with a classroom picture. Forms will be attached to this newsletter.
- Oct 15th - **Carver Farms Field Trip** – we are going to the farm to pick pumpkins and so much more. We will need drivers. More information will follow.
- Oct. 29th – **Harvest Festival** – We will dress up as our favorite book character, make spiders to eat and watch a short movie.

Reminders:

Don't forget to bring a picture for your child's cubby. This helps them to know which cubby is theirs until they are able to read their own name.

October tuition is now due. Thank you!

Games...Games...Games... Play “I Spy...” in the car with your child, but instead of using letters use colors. For example: “I spy something that is blue...” The answer is the sky. This will keep them busy, and you will be reinforcing what they are learning at preschool.

Thank you for all the you do!!! *Jodene Meehan*