



Covenant United Methodist Preschool

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Dear Covenant Families,

What a fun month we have had with our eggs and chicks! Five babies hatched this year!! There is absolutely nothing like being able to watch the chicks make their entrance into this world. The chicks have added so much to our classroom learning experience. It is sad to send them home to the farm.

Please consider joining us for the **April 3 and 4 chapel services**. This is the Easter celebration and the children will have a procession with palms. It is always one of our favorites!

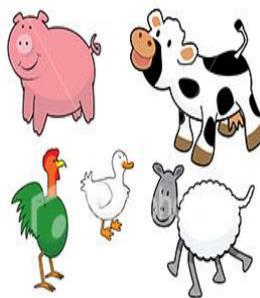
On April 5 (Bears) and April 6 (Puppies and Turtles) will be **Donuts with Dad Day for our three year old students**. Dads will be hosted in the classroom from 9:15 – 9:45 am. If dad is



unavailable to come, no worries – please send another special person (male or female) with your child. Due to space limitations in our classrooms we ask siblings please stay home if possible. This is a special morning for our preschoolers and their special guest.

On April 5 our **four year old students will enjoy Reptile Wonders**. Brian Kristal will come and show your children all sorts of snakes, iguanas, lizards and other assorted reptilian friends. This is a great show the classes love

every year! We can't wait! Children brave enough to touch these critters will have the opportunity to do so. ☺



Mary's Go Round is coming on **April 26 and 27** with a farm animal petting zoo for our 3 year old classes to explore. So fun! This is so perfect as the children have just completed a science unit on farm animals.

All preschool families are invited to attend our annual **Preschool and Terrific Twos Sunday on April 30 at the 10:00 am service**. On this special day, the Covenant United Methodist Church community will celebrate our programs and students. Pastor Mandy will have a special time with the children. We hope to have the children sing a special song. There will be Sunday school for all children after the children's message with Pastor Mandy. Following the worship service, the preschool board will host a time of fellowship with yummy goodies! The Covenant Church community **LOVES** to see its preschool families! Please consider coming on this special day.

Not long after Easter break the children will have the wonderful opportunity to watch caterpillars become butterflies. Over several weeks your children will watch them become a chrysalis (or pupa) and then into beautiful "painted lady" butterflies. Every class will release their butterflies out on the playground.



Thank you to all who supported our Easter candy scholarship fundraiser! You should have received your order by now and hopefully, there is still candy left over to be put into Easter baskets in the very near future! **We were blessed to receive \$800!!** All money earned from the sale of Gertrude Hawk Chocolates will go into our preschool fund.

Tuition Discount will be received for any family that introduces a new family to our school. Once the new family has registered, a 10 percent discount will be applied to your next month's tuition payment.

If you are practicing handwriting at home with your child, please be sure to use both upper and lower case letters; not all uppercase. Writing your name with the first letter capitalized and the rest of the letters lowercase is the "kindergarten way" so we might as well have them learn it this way right from the start!

As the school year begins to wrap up, you are invited to put a review on either or both of our Facebook and Yelp pages. Your positive comments are helpful to both the preschool and prospective parents. The best advertisement are your words! Please consider doing this for us.

Enjoy a Blessed Easter and a wonderful Spring Break! See you at school on April 18.

Blessings,

Lisa Broadman



CURRICULUM:

The Pre-K classes will be going into greater depth and detail than our three-year-old children. All students cover subject areas unless noted.

Social Studies:

- A. Transportation (Pre-K)
- B. Circus (3 Day 3s)



Science:

- A. Growth of Plants
- B. Life Cycle of a Butterfly
- C. Earth Day (Pre-K)
- D. Human Life Cycle (Pre-K)



English-Language Arts:

- A. Storybook Units
- B. First Name Recognition (3s)
- C. Random Alphabet Recognition (3s)
- D. Printing First Name & Draw Self (Pre-K)
- E. Weekly Readers (Pre-K)
- F. Full Name Recognition (Pre-K)
- G. Sight Words for Kindergarten (Pre-K)
- H. Letters & Phonics – Y, Z (Pre-K)
- I. Manuscript - Letters Y, Z (Pre-K)

Math:

- A. Numeral Recognition 0-15 (3s)
- B. One to One Correspondence (3s)
- C. Numeral Recognition 0-30 (Pre-K)
- D. One to One Correspondence (Pre-K)
- E. Money (Pre-K)
- F. 100th Day of School (Pre-K)

Spiritual:

- A. Jesus Miracles
- B. Zacchaeus

UPCOMING CHAPEL DATES:

Easter chapel will be held on April 3 and 4.
Additional chapel dates are April 24 or 25 and May 3 or 4.



UPCOMING MAY EVENTS:



Three year old moms – Muffins with Mom morning on Wednesday, May 10 (Bears) or Thursday, May 11 (Puppies and Turtles), from 9:15 – 9:45 am.

If mom cannot attend, any special guest, male or female is most welcome. No siblings please if at all possible.

Four year old moms – our annual Mother’s Day Tea is Friday, May 12 from 12:30 – 1:15 pm. In case you are wondering what to wear (I did my first year here as a mom) dresses or skirts are commonly worn to the tea, though please come in whatever you feel comfortable wearing. If mom is unable to attend, please send another special guest to enjoy this event with your child. No siblings please.



CONGRATULATIONS:



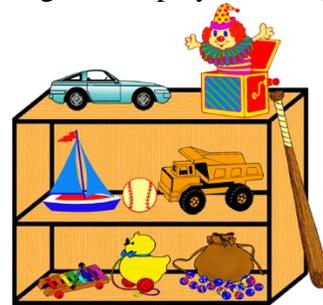
In March, Senator Nancy King was presented the Maryland Senate First Citizen Award. What an outstanding honor! The award, established in 1992, recognizes individuals who

have committed themselves to public service and civic engagement through debate, legislation and governance. We are grateful for all you do for the State and your community.

The Preschool knows and loves a different Nancy King. This Nancy is a very proud grandmother of Chloe King (4s) and a huge supporter of the Preschool. We have seen Nancy at pick up and drop off for the past few years and have gotten to know her well. If you see her in the next few weeks, please be sure to offer your congratulations! We also are very proud of her!

TERRIFIC TWOS NEWS:

Mrs. Pitts is hosting a Spring Treasure Sale to benefit the Terrific Twos Scholarship Fund. The date is April 29 from 9-1:00. She will begin to accept donations on Monday, April 24. If you have donations of toys or clothes for children up to age 8, Marcia will gladly accept them. Each year this sale becomes even more popular with ‘sneak peeks’ given the Friday before the sale begins. Stop by and bring a friend!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

Covenant United Methodist Church hosts an annual Vacation Bible School each summer. This year’s bible school will be July 17 – July 21. The day will run from 9:30 – 12:30 pm. This is an amazing program where each child that attends has a wonderful time! It is also a great opportunity for the kids to catch up with their friends, since many preschool children attend. Don’t forget to sign up early to make sure that you have a spot!

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 4 or 5 – Donuts with Dad for 3s

April 7 to April 17 – Spring Break

May 10 or 11 – Muffins with Mom for 3s

May 12 - Mother’s Day Tea for 4s

May 18 – Spring Sing for 3s

May 19 – Spring Sing for 4s

May 24 or 25 or 26 – Last Day for 3s

May 26 – Last Day for 4s

Meet the Teacher!

Mrs. Mason



My Education!

I attended classes at Widener University



My Class Mascot!

Our M-F class mascot is the minion.



The Basics!

I live in Montgomery Village with my husband, Nick and our dog, Charlie. We have two adult children. One is a teacher and the other is a chef.

My favorite place on earth is the coast of Maine.

My Favorites!

- Food:** Maine Lobster
- Color:** Blue
- Drink:** Freshly squeezed lemonade
- Book:** All David McCullough books
- Movie:** It's a Wonderful Life
- Sports:** Orioles Baseball
- Singer:** Josh Groban
- Hobby:** Gardening, knitting, reading
- Restaurant:** Woodside Deli
- Store:** Vintage & Antique Shops
- Dessert:** Lemon Meringue Pie
- Candy:** Peppermint Patties
- Flower:** Shasta Daisy

