

### Covenant United Methodist Preschool

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Dear Covenant Families,

Wow! What a wonderfully exciting and busy October we had here at Covenant. The school was abuzz with fantastic activities everyday. Thank you so much to all who contributed food and drink and other donations to our fall celebrations.

Chapel time is off to a great start! Parents, please remember you always are welcome at Chapel. Siblings, too. We would love to pray with you. Coffee and donuts are served every Chapel Day in Fellowship Hall from 9:15-9:30 am for your enjoyment! November Chapel dates are the 5<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>.

Four year old dads – please join us for Donuts with Dad this month. The children have a special gift they have made for you. If dad is unable to attend please send any special person male or female) in dad's place. Three year old dads – your turn will come soon – you will celebrate Donuts with Dad this spring!

Three year old parents... we have a wonderful surprise coming up for your children this month. On Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> Cay Dee Puppets will bring their program to the children. This is a new program for us, so we are so very excited! ©

Four year old parents... we have another new program for the children. On November

14<sup>th</sup> The Science Guys will come and give a science presentation to spur their imagination!

Remember that the Preschool is collecting coats. As you check your child's closet to see what fits this year, if your coat is no longer a good fit, please consider donating to us. All jackets, hoodies, coats (anything warm) will be combined with what the church collects and then distributed to local elementary schools.

Cooler weather is here... please be sure

to send your child to school with appropriate outerwear. We play outside everyday possible. Please label coats, hats and mittens so they return home with your child.



Wishing you a joyful and blessed Thanksgiving with family and friends. I am so grateful to God for the gift of each of your children and your beautiful families.

Blessings,

Lisa Broadman, Director

# **NO SCHOOL:**

School will be **CLOSED** on Tuesday, November 6 for Election Day. CUMC is a polling place and therefore, safety cannot be guaranteed.

CUMP will also be **CLOSED** Wednesday, Nov 21 – Friday, Nov 23 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

# **Curriculum:**

All Pre-Kindergarten 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. Harvest
  - 1. First Thanksgiving
  - 2. Pilgrims and Native Americans
  - 3. Traditional Foods (Pre-K)

# English-Language Arts:

- A. Same/Different
- B. Directional/Positional Words
- C. Storybook Units
- D. Nursery Rhymes (3's)
- E. Recognition of Name w/ Photo (3's)
- F. Weekly Readers (Pre-K)
- G. Letters & Phonics H, I & J (Pre-K)
- H. Manuscript Letters (Pre-K)



#### Science:

- A. Day/Night (Pre-K)
- B. Float/Sink Experiment (Pre-K)
- C. Turkeys
- D. Corn
- E. Cooking Projects

Popcorn

Cornbread/Butter (Pre-K)

#### Social Emotional:

A. Gratitude

#### Math:

- A. Basic Shapes (3's)
- B. Counting 0-5 (3's)
- C. Recognition 0-5 (3's)
- D. Classification by Color
- E. Counting 0-10 (Pre-K)
- F. Recognition 0-10 (Pre-K)
- G. Complex Shapes Pentagon, Hexagon, Octagon, Crescent (Pre-K)
- H. Cardinal & Ordinal Numbers (Pre-K)

#### Spiritual:

- A. Helping the Needy
- B. Being Thankful
- C. Advent Story

## **Donuts with Dads (4 year olds):**

"Donuts with Dads" is a special time for Dad to enjoy a breakfast snack and spend some play time inside the classroom with his child.

All 4 year olds will celebrate on Friday, November  $9^{th}$  from 9:15-9:45. **If dad is unavailable that day, your child is welcome to bring any special male or female.** 

## **Fall Service Projects:**

Teaching our students to care about others is as important to us here at Covenant Preschool as any academic lessons we teach. In November, children will discuss helping others in need and the concept of gratitude.

The children learned about Veterans Day



a bit earlier than usual because they made cards to send to a crew of sailors who are recently deployed and on a ship traveling from Bremerton, Washington to

their new home base of Norfolk, Virginia. These cards will go to actual sailors to thank them for their service and hopefully, to brighten their day! This is the first year that we have done this and we look forward to being able to do it again!

We will also hold our **Second Annual Pajama Drive**. Last year our families donated over 60 pairs of pajamas that were donated to children at a local shelter. This year the Terrific Twos families and Covenant Church members will also join us in donating pajamas. It will be a blessing to provide a new pair of pajamas to a child who truly needs them.

Please join me in support of this program. The due date to CUMP is Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

- just in time for winter.

Tips for purchasing pajamas: all pajamas should be a complete set – a top and bottom or an appropriate nightgown. Although pajamas in all sizes are desired, the most overlooked ones are generally children's sizes 8 to adult 3XL. These sizes are for the older children who are usually left out.

## **Fall Parent Teacher Conferences:**

Fall parent-teacher conferences will be held the week of Nov 13-16. Each class is assigned one conference day and teachers will meet with each family for 10 minutes, focusing on your child's social and emotional development and behavior. If you feel you need additional time to discuss your child's growth and development, please let your child's teacher know and she will be happy to meet again another day for as long as necessary. For your convenience and to maximize your child's education and your tuition dollars, class will be held on conference days. Assistant teachers will teach classes with the aid of a substitute.

Sign ups for fall conferences will be posted in early November. Please note that in February you will have the opportunity to conference with teachers again, this time for 20 minutes, with a focus on your child's academic strengths and areas for growth.

#### **Fall Conference Schedule:**

Tuesday, Nov 13 - MTTh 3s (Mrs. Crown) Wednesday, Nov 14 - TWTh 3s (Mrs. Stockton) Thursday, Nov 15 - T-F 4s (Mrs. McClure) Friday, Nov 16 - MWF 4s (Mrs. Crown)

# **Gingerbread Houses (4s classes):**

4 year old parents – please mark your

Carolina

calendars... Your children will be creating beautiful Gingerbread houses this December. A parent (or other special person) is needed to assist each child with this very

fun activity. Each class will begin at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall and finish in thirty minutes. No siblings please, if possible. Children should bring one container of Whipped Vanilla Frosting (any brand) to use on their gingerbread house. Parents will take the masterpiece home after completion, so please bring a box for transporting.

The school will furnish necessary plates, milk cartons and graham crackers. Teachers will contact the parents for the needed candies. Schedule is as follows:

Mrs. Crown – MWF 4s Ladybugs: Wednesday, November 28 Mrs. McClure - T-F 4s Frogs:

Thursday, November 29

# **Christmas Sing:**

For those of you new to the Covenant Preschool community, you are in for such a treat! The children practice holiday music (both Christian and secular) for weeks and then perform them in the Church sanctuary for you!! So much fun!

The 3 year old sing will be held at 9:30 AM, on Thursday, December 13, 2018. Children need to arrive at the usual time of 9:15 am.

The 4 year old sing will be held at 9:30 AM on Friday, December 14, 2018. Children should arrive at the usual time of 9:15 am.

All children go home with their family after the sing - classes are not held that day.

# For Children at Covenant Church:

<u>Secret Shop:</u> On Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon ...a personal shopping experience for young ones (3 to 11 years). "Youth member elves" help children make inexpensive purchases without Mom or Dad. So fun!!! Invite friends and neighbors.

# **Meet Mrs.Crapo!**



My Education!



### My Mascot!

Ladybugs

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**Puppies** 





## The Basics!

I was born in Erie, PA.

I am married (John) and have a daughter (Rebecca) and a son (Joseph).

I have 3 Cats (Shika, Missy and Torti)

I love my husband cuz he is so cute!

I love to hike and cycle and play in the dirt.

## My Favorites!

Food: 'See food'

Color: Red

Movie: Mary Poppins

Book: The Bible

Drink: Red Blend

Sports: Boston Red Sox & Washington

Nationals

Singer: Bette Midler

Hobby: Walking/jogging

Restaurant: Anywhere with a

Mediterranean menu!

Store: Harris Teeter

Dessert: All

Candy: Caramel and licorice