

December 3's

Bethlehem Lutheran Preschool

Monthly News



The Bible tells us about all the wonderful things that God made - the sun, moon and stars, the earth, trees and flowers, cats, dogs, birds and fish. God made me and you in His image, with eyes to see with, noses to smell with, mouths to taste with and hearts to LOVE with. God is LOVE and He loves us VERY much. He wants us to LOVE each other too, just like He loves us. To show us how to love, He made His GREATEST gift of all! He made his LOVE into a person, just like you and me and He called Him JESUS. Jesus was born as a baby on CHRISTMAS day. He grew up, just like we do to show us how to LOVE and to SAVE us from our sins. THANK YOU God for your GREATEST GIFT of all!!

Hands of Love - God made us with HANDS that can LOVE. At Christmas time our HANDS are busy making gifts we can give to our family. Some of them will be wrapped in paper, but some of our LOVE will delivered through HUGS and with HELPING HANDS.



Children's Christmas Musical
On Sunday, December 9th Bethlehem children will present A Charlie Brown Christmas. Our Preschool students have been invited to sing at the start of the program. This program will begin at 10:00am. Please join us at 9:40 in the Rainy Day Room. Wear your dressy Christmas clothes and come enjoy the show!

Christmas party- On Thursday, December 20th we will be having our "Happy Birthday Baby Jesus" party. To help celebrate the most wonderful gift ever given to us, we will exchange gifts with each other. Each child will bring ONE gift to be given out at our party. This need only be a small gift - \$3-\$5. Girls should buy one gift for a girl. Boys buy a gift for a boy. You might label your gift, "To a girl (or boy)" "Love from - Your name". In other years we have noticed that some children came with the intent of giving his/her gift to a special friend and only to that person. Please emphasize to your child that it will be a "surprise" to see who gets the gift as we play a musical "Gifting" game! This is a regular day of school with the party beginning at 10am with a very special visitor! Families are invited to join the fun. Sometimes parents like to bring a gift for a brother or sister so he/she has something to open too. You may wrap and label with that child's name and please see the teacher with the gift.

Registration for next years pre-school classes will open in January for currently enrolled families. Registration begins for the community in February. Your child does not automatically get registered in the 4-year-old classes from his or her 3 year old class. You need to re-register your child. 4 year old spots fill up quickly, so don't delay.

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What about Santa? Did you know that Santa's name originally was Nicholas and that he lived in 300AD? As a child he learned about Jesus from his Mommy and Daddy. As he grew up he decided that he wanted to be just like Jesus by loving and helping others. He shared this love of Jesus by surprising people with needed gifts. He soon became well known for his good deeds and after his death he became a Saint. The name Saint Nick later changed to Santa Claus in our country and so that began the tradition of Santa bringing gifts on Christmas. Here at preschool, rather than focus on the gifts we are hoping to get from Santa, we are going to emphasize the giving of gifts. We too can be like Santa and be like Jesus by sharing our love with each other.

Snow Alert: Winter is on it's way. It's time to remind everyone what to do in the event of a snowy school day. When BEAVERTON school district closes because of hazardous driving conditions, our preschool will also close. When BEAVERTON has a late opening, our preschool will be CLOSED. You can go to www.beaverton.k12.or.us for an immediate answer. We will also send you a text reminder about any closures. (P.S. Be sure to not be confused if you should hear on the radio/TV that Bethlehem Church Preschool is closed. That is a school with our same name in Lake Oswego and is NOT us. We DO NOT announce under our own name, but follow Beaverton School District's closures.)

Lunch Bunch: Need some EXTRA time to get ready for the holidays? Sign your child up for Lunch Bunch Monday thru Friday. 11:30-1:00pm ~ \$12.50 a day.

Chapel will be on Tuesday, December 12th at 11:10 in the Sanctuary. We love it when families join us. Don't forget to wear your class T-shirt!

Vacation: The last day of school before Christmas for the 3 year old class is Thursday, December 20th. We will return after the New Year on Tuesday, Jan 8th. Have a very Happy Holiday.

The Holiday Wreath Fundraiser was a big success! Together with the 3's Classes, 4's Classes and Church orders you sold \$4721 worth of Greenery and Poinsettias! Thank you to all of you who bought and sold greenery!!! Thank you also to the volunteers: Ginny Ford, Sarah Sandifer, Nicole Hiscoe who helped sort all the orders!!

We hope you have a Joyful Christmas Season! We are thankful for you and your family!

