

Newsletter of
**TRINITY EVANGELICAL
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The Messenger September 2015

September

Ushers

Mike Davies – Captain
Pat Lee
Marjorie Morrissey
Bill & Ginny Almer

Greeters

6 Grace & Harry Persson
13 Tom & Barb Dorl
20 Dawn & Rick Ferrell
27 Bill & Sandy Hutchinson

Nursery

6 Diane Panush, Kristen Starr
13 Barb Dorl, Nancy Mondry
20 Diana Eigenbauer, Joyce Gorney
27 Tracy Hood, Michelle West

Counters

Brian Crotty
Matt Panush
Thad Przybylowski

Birthdays

1 Denise Krueger
1 Paula Cassady
2 Moira Davies
2 Kendra Goetz
3 Pedro Castillo
3 Arlene Sladek
4 Robin Richerme
4 Chloe Torres
6 Chris McShane
7 Joseph Przybylowski
12 Rita Grijalva
13 Kyle Johnson
13 Dave Manthey
14 Dawn Hanson
15 Dominic Panush
18 Marjorie Cassady
19 Phyllis Peterson
22 Megan Hardesty
23 Norman Olson
27 Barbara Dorl
27 Barbara Hellermann
29 Judith Engstrom

If we missed your birthday, please let the office know so that it will be listed in the future.

Over the Pastor's Shoulder

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age"

(Matthew 28:19, 20)

My parents carried me to the baptismal font as an infant. Two other sets of parents each carried a son to the font that same day. The boys' names were Peter and John. Prior to the three baptisms that morning, the pastor said: "What an honor. How many pastors can say, 'I baptized Peter, James and John?'"

A story both cute and true. But now almost 60 years later, what difference does it make that I was baptized? What difference does it make that one Sunday morning you too were baptized?

I find it interesting that the great protestant reformer Martin Luther would often remember his baptism. Whenever Luther felt himself sinking into despair (be it over struggles in his own personal life or conflict in the church) he found it helpful to touch his forehead whereon the sign of the cross had been made at his baptism, and to say *Baptismatus sum* ("I am baptized").

Perhaps we 21st century Christians ought to take our cue from the 16th century reformer and whenever we encounter differences and divisions in the church, we ought to touch our foreheads and repeat the words, "I have been baptized". That means because there is "one Lord, one faith, one baptism" we have the gift of unity. We are all in this together.

In the church, in honestly addressing the scourge of racism, remember, "I have been baptized". We are no longer bound by the traditional category of insiders and outsiders. The old, painful external distinctions made between people have been washed away in the waters of baptism.

In struggling with injustices committed against women down through the ages and still today, remember, "I have been baptized", which means, according to Galatians 3, "there is neither male nor female in Christ". Gender is not the fundamental identity of Christians.

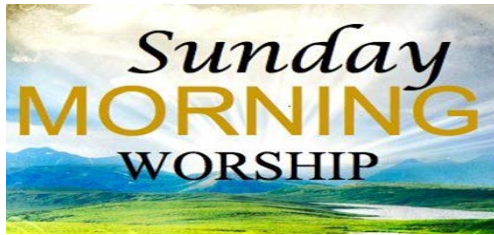
When living in a world where people are often judged by the clothes they wear, the make of the car they drive, the size and location of their house, "I've been baptized", which means that deep distinctions between rich and poor, haves and have nots, have been rearranged, turned upside in Christ so that we come to see those of us who are rich in things as often poor in spirit. And those who are poor in things as rich in spirit.

And when I find myself face-to-face with the inevitable vicissitudes of life, like Luther, I say to myself, "I am baptized!" That means because I am a child of God there is nothing, absolutely nothing, this world can serve up that will separate me from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

I've been baptized. That makes all the difference. And together those of us who have been baptized are called to make a difference in the world for Christ's sake.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Jim



Looking ahead to the fall you should know that Trinity is committed to intergenerational worship. Children will be present in our worship every week. The Nursery Room will be available for infants and toddlers. For parents that are unsure if their 4 – 7 year olds are ready on any given Sunday for worship – child-care will also be offered. The rest of the children will be encouraged to participate in worship with their families. Yes, junior high and high schoolers are more than welcomed to worship together in the balcony.

Trinity is also committed to Christian Formation for all ages. Sunday School classes will begin on September 13 at 11:15 A.M. We currently have two adult options. We are hoping to add a third. Sunday School class for the children will be divided as follows:

- Preschool & Kindergarten
- 1st – 3rd grade
- 4th – 6th grade
- Confirmation (7th – 8th grade)
- High School (9th-12th grade)

A brief word about Sunday morning procedure: Just before the Sunday morning offering, the children will be invited to the front of the sanctuary to receive a blessing from the Pastor. The children will then be lead by Linda Kozak into Peterson Hall for a time of singing. At approximately 11:10 A.M., Sunday School teachers will meet their students in Peterson Hall and escort them to the classroom. Sunday School will end for all ages at 12 noon. Teachers are to remain in the class with the students until the children are picked up by their parents.



Our class in the Fireside Room will begin on September 13 at 11:15 A.M. after the morning worship service. Our teacher will be Jenny DeVivo, Assistant Professor of Theology at Lewis University in Romeoville. Her subject will be "The Gospel According to Luke". Please join us for this inspirational experience.

Rich Hood will be leading a class on Jesus' Sermon on the Mount in the Overflow Room starting on September 13. New Testament Scholar William Barkley was correct in explaining:

"The Sermon on the Mount is not one sermon of Jesus, given at one particular time and on one particular occasion; it is the essence of all that Jesus continuously and habitually taught his disciples." As present-day disciples, the Sermon on the Mount offers invaluable direction as we follow Jesus day in and day out. You will find Rich's class both helpful and informative.

Altar Flowers

If you would like to celebrate or honor someone on a given special date, please see the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. Flowers are \$40 and you are invited to take them home following morning worship.



As a church family we extend our sympathy to the family of Kay Shannon on the death of her husband, Roger, who entered the life eternal on Friday, July 17, 2015. A funeral service was held at Trinity on Tuesday, July 21. Peace be to Roger's memory.



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your cards, calls, prayers and well wishes. Your caring along with Pastor Jim's visits and special prayers brightened our days and lifted our spirits.

Dave and Diane Manthey

Dear Trinity family,

Thank you for your support in sending me to CHIC. I had a great time there and really found God; I also got to make new friends and had a chance to bond with other youths from Trinity.

Thaddeus Przybylowski

Dear Trinity friends,

Thank you for your prayers and concern during my recent surgery. I have recovered from surgery and I am doing much better. Thank you.

Carolyn Rosengren

Megan was allowed to attend CHIC this year due to Trinity's generous efforts. Thank you so much for allowing her to share in that opportunity. Throughout her life, you have been her "village" in her Christian education and life. Bill and I feel blessed. She had a wonderful time and is little by little sharing some of the music and experiences that she had. Thank you, it was so much more than Bill and I could have ever done for her.

Karen and Bill McShane

To my Trinity Family,

Thank you sooooo much for your love, prayers, visits, and beautiful notes and cards. It has been a long 6 weeks learning how to move all my broken bones and walk again. I have gone through 2 hours of therapy every day and trying my best. I will be released from Manor Care Rehab Center August 20 and hopefully back to worship with you soon. God has answered many prayers. Thank you!!

I love you all!

Joan Erickson

Dear Trinity,

I want to thank you for all your well wishes, phone calls, cards and especially your prayers. I miss you all and can't wait to get to church again.

Sincerely, Mitzi Maquet

Dear Members and Friends of Trinity Covenant Church,

Words cannot express our gratitude for all the prayers, cards, meals, visits and support from our church family during Roger's decline. Our families gained strength through these actions. Thank you for the flowers for Roger from Trinity Covenant Church. They were truly beautiful. This thoughtfulness will be treasured in our memories.

Love, Kay
The Shannon and Lee Families

Tuesday Women's Bible Study



We respond to the resounding bell of September's call welcoming us to return to our established pattern of Tuesday morning Bible challenges.

Yes – a routine that works for us. A routine that defines our willingness to address God's word and work for a structured brief morning which, hopefully, carries throughout the days which follow.

During many years of togetherness we recognize our penchant for voicing individual views and thoughts based upon

background, denominational variances, contemporary issues, etc. etc.

And so during these four weeks we will be addressing four exciting topics dovetailing the convictions of Charles Stanley, Sarah Young, Max Lucado and Jesus.

Each of the four mornings will begin with corporate readings and be enhanced by expounding on related short Biblical passages. Everyone will be given opportunity to have a voice, in praise, in song, in question, in thought.

Our purpose is to validate the responsibility we will be held accountable for as we are gifted with God's blessings and gifts.

We will be ready for new challenges circling in and around our doable routine of time, place and priority. Bibles will be required. Expectations will be met as all will be equipped with tools making this new study workable.

God gives us the tools to live an abundant life – one that is complete, glorious, full of favor and marvelously eternal.

The biggest risk of all is standing still. Join us as we continue to move on the most wonderful journey led by God's gentle thunder.

Tuesday – 9:30-10:45 A.M.,
Fireside Room – Trinity

Barbara Johnson

Covenant Women

Covenant Women will be attending the Fall Fellowship at Covenant Harbor on September 18 – 20, at the Geneva Bay Centre.

Welcome Mitch Haaby



Please join me in welcoming Mitch as our new part-time intern. Mitch is currently enrolled in North Park Theological Seminary's Master of Divinity Program. He was born and raised in Roseau, MN (10 miles from the Canadian Border). Mitch served his home church as a full time Youth Pastor for 7 years after his undergraduate studies in Counseling and Psychology. He plays guitar and drums and has been active with the music in his church. He has started worship bands with the youth at Roseau. He has a broad experience in working with Youth, active participation with the Covenant camping programs (including CHIC this past summer), worship leading and more. He has a love for hunting, fishing and photography. Mitch's first Sunday will be September 20. He will be working at Trinity beginning approximately September 1. Please join me in welcoming him.

Rally Sunday

On Sunday, September 20, 12 P.M., following worship service, head to Peterson Hall for a delicious lunch and an afternoon full of fun activities for the whole church family, in celebration of the return of Sunday School for all ages. After lunch, stop by the kids "Savior Rotation Stations". Meet our new intern, Mitch, for a Bible story under the trees, paint and design your very own prayer rock to take home, and complete an object lesson experiment you won't forget! For the final station, we'll set off balloons outside on the lawn. Don't forget to invite your friends for fellowship, food, and fun.



Lunch will be finger-licking fried chicken, baked beans, chips and watermelon with potluck salads and dessert! Please RSVP to the church office at 708-422-5111.

School Year 2015

Due to student interest we began a crochet/knitting club at my middle school. It was well attended and students were very interested. This year we would like to run this activity one day a week for the entire school year. We are looking to any donations of crochet hooks, knitting needles and any yarn scraps that you have lying around. My students are going to refine the crochet and knitting skills by working on squares which once joined together will become lap throws for veterans in local nursing homes. In this way they are performing community service for others as well as learning a new skill for themselves. Any donations that you have around the house and are not using would be gratefully appreciated. Thanks so much for supporting my students.

Karen Mc Shane

With another school year approaching, I so appreciate all of the school supplies that you are able to share with my students. They come in so helpful when running the after school tutoring and homework help programs. Many students unfortunately arrive with nothing and it makes them want to achieve more in their classes when they have pencils and paper available. Thanks so much.

Karen Mc Shane and Coolidge Middle School and its students

Hog Wild Celebration

Operation Blessing will host the 1st Annual Pig Roast celebration and fund raiser on Saturday, September 12, 1 – 9 P.M., 4901 W. 128th Place, Alsip. Music, food, games, fun! Cost is \$10 per plate or all you can eat for \$25. Stay for the Gospel Choir competition!

THOUGHT TO PONDER
Today I pray for peace in the hope
that tomorrow I won't have to.

Free will offering Sunday, September 27 for Biblica.

You might remember Biblica donated our Bibles for Community Bible Experience.

Golf for Kids – Save the Date

Plan now to join in the Antwan Williams Memorial Golf for Kids Classic on Monday, September 14, 2015. This year's event will be held at Hawk's View Golf Club in Lake Geneva, WI. More details and registration are available at www.covenantharbor.org.

Enjoy a great day of golf with your friends while raising camp scholarships for at-risk kids.

Covenant Point Bible Camp – Silent Directed Retreat

Come away for a weekend of simply being present with God and listening for His voice. The 2015 Silent Directed Retreat is 4 P.M. Friday, September 18 to Sunday, September 20, 1 P.M. Our speaker and facilitator, Terry Cathcart, is a seasoned silent retreat leader, having been involved in retreat ministry for 40 years. The retreat cost is \$125. To register online: www.cpbc.com/silent-retreat. To mail or fax registration and payment to: Covenant Point Bible Camp, 358 W. Hagerman Lake Rd., Iron River, MI 49935, Fax: 906-265-5123.

Pryme Tymers

Get ready for the programs starting in September:

September 10, 11 A.M.

Entrée: Beef Stew

Program: Stars and Stripes with the singing Cowboy – Rick Pickren. The day before 9-11, we are

introducing a new performer to Pryme

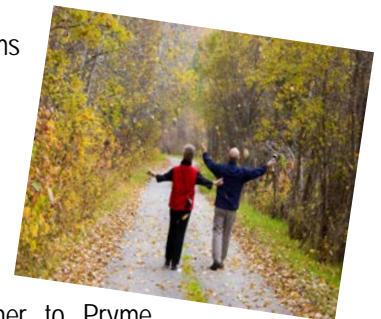
Tymers that will make us PROUD to be Americans. Make your reservation by Friday, September 4.

September 24, 11A.M.

Entrée: Stuffed Chicken

Program: "Nowstalgia" by Brian Fowler. Another new entertainer for Pryme Tymers, Brian and his duet partner will be performing hits from all eras and asking us to sing along. Make your reservation by Friday, September 18.

The cost per meeting is \$7. Don't forget to bring your canned goods for the Salvation Army Food Pantry.



VBS RECAP - Son Spark Labs

What a wonderful VBS this year! If you haven't heard, we had a great time putting together lots of experiments for the children to learn from. It was a fun way to teach and illustrate to them the lessons from the Bible. We had just over 85 kids registered, of which there were 28 preschoolers! Average attendance was 75. Each day the children were well behaved and eager to learn about God's Love. We had many wonderful volunteers who embraced becoming scientists for the week! The week was topped off with a great final program. Mr. Wilkinson came and had each child make a gnome, over 75 kids (and adults) made them. Everyone was thrilled with this experiment! Thank you one and all for your help to make the week a success. God Bless the children that participated, they made it one of the best VBS's ever!

Linda

P.S. Ask one of the kids about the mouse trap experiment....and how sharing God's love is a chain reaction!

Congratulations

Dee and Clarence Rosengren's granddaughter Becky gave birth to a daughter, MaryAnna Adel, on July 27, weighing 6 pounds, 11 ounces. Congratulations to the very proud great grandparents and family.



New (Old) Address

Lorraine Sorensen
Tinley Court
16301 Brentowne Rd.
Tinley Park, IL 60477

Fall on the Green

The Village of Oak Lawn is hosting its Annual Fall on the Green Festival the weekend of September 11-13. You won't want to miss a series of entertaining bands, arts & crafts vendors, business tent vendors, delicious food vendors and exciting children's and teen areas. Located at 95th & Cook Avenue, Fall on the Green is fun for the whole family! Admission is free!

Community Shred Day

State Representative Kelly Burke is hosting a Community Shred Day at Evergreen Park Community High School, 9901 S. Kedzie, Evergreen Park, on Saturday, September 26, 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. Bring your documents that contain your personally identifiable information to be safely shredded, such as old bank statements, outdated medical records, old tax returns, pay stubs, old bills, receipts and credit care applications. Remember to remove all paper clips, staples, and other bindings. For more information, call 708-425-0571 or kburke@kellyburkerep36.org.

CHIC Auction Winners



Lucy Panush shows her excitement with her "Frozen" birthday cake made by Denise Sullivan. What an awesome cake!



Kelly and Steve Bradbury enjoyed an outing at Wrigley Field on July 5 watching the Cubs beat the Miami Marlins.

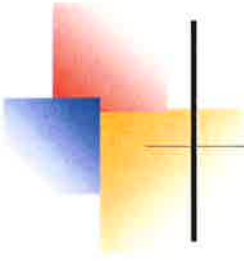


On a Monday afternoon in June, Pastor Jim and Charlene Sandberg hosted a bar-b-que for JoAnn Epperson, Bill Tumaitis, Cheryl Tumaitis, Claudette Luckey, and Ken Peterson. Master Chef Sandberg grilled his signature steaks for the hungry group.

Church Chuckle
The rabbit lost to the tortoise
by a hare.

Go Blackhawks....





TRINITY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

August 21, 2015

Dear Friends In Christ,

I am reaching out today to ask each of you to prayerfully consider giving of your time and yourself to help us with our Kingdom Kids Sunday School Programs this year. A few weeks ago Pastor Jim preached about the importance of teaching our children in the faith. We have done a good job in the past but I believe we can do better.

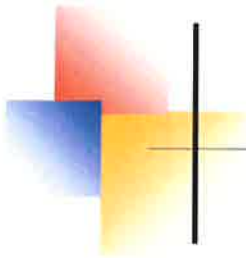
With our new schedule at Trinity no one will have to skip the worship service to teach Sunday School. I am very excited about this change seeing it as an opportunity. My prayer is that we will have volunteers who will be willing to teach a class for a month or even better, a quarter...three months..at a time. This would bring some consistency to the classes for our children. I believe this will raise the expectations of their learning. If they see us making the effort to be sure they understand and retain their lessons, I think they will rise to meet these expectations.

I would ask any volunteers to be willing to take the teacher's guide home and spend some time preparing for each class. The children will attend the Worship Service at 10:00 am with the rest of the congregation. They will be invited to the front of the Sanctuary for a Blessing just before the Time of Offering . They will then proceed to Peterson Hall where they will have their own Worship songs with Linda Kozak each Sunday. You would be expected to meet the children in Peterson Hall and then proceed to the classrooms for Sunday School. Sunday School will end at 12:00. Teachers will be asked to keep children in classrooms and be ready to release them to their parents at this time.

There are three classes, (Preschool and Kindergarten), (1st -3rd), and finally (4th-6th.) I will also be looking for volunteers to provide Child Care for preschool students and others who may not be ready, on any certain Sunday, to join us in the Sanctuary for 10:00 am Worship.

Please think about your own journey. Was there anyone who made a lasting impact on your Faith? Was it perhaps a Sunday School teacher? Considering this, do you have something to offer our children today? They won't get there on their own. They need us. They need sound instruction. Again I am asking each of you to prayerfully consider stepping up to fill these much needed, very important positions of ministry here at Trinity. My contact information is below. If I don't hear from you.....you may hear from me.

Grace and Peace,
Kristine Schroeder
tokrissy@yahoo.com
708-267-7393



TRINITY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

July 1, 2015

To: Serving Committee Member
From: Deacon Board

Re: Serving Committees

Please post the newly-formed Serving Committee list on your refrigerator or wherever else you post important lists! The names of the co-chairs for each of the committees have an asterisk (*) after their name.

Co-chairs will be notified 2 weeks prior to the event that the committee will be serving. It will be the co-chairs' responsibility to contact the other members of your committee. You also will be responsible for letting the church custodian know of your set-up needs.

Each committee has been assigned to serve at one and no more than two events over the course of a calendar year. Thank you in advance for serving.

The events currently on the church calendar include (but are not limited to):

Sunday School Kick Off (September)

Advent Dinner (December)

VBS Finale (July)

Checklist for Serving Committee

1. Someone must have a church key to open and close church.
2. If Corelle dishes are used, turn on dishwasher 45 minutes ahead of time. See directions by dishwasher. (Pull down cover and push "On" button).
3. Scrape off food into garbage cans NOT disposal.
4. Place dishes in soapy water soak pans before going into dishwasher.
5. One person on each committee should be familiar with dishwasher and know how to use it.
6. Screens in sinks are to be used at ALL TIMES to prevent food particles from getting into sewer lines. (Sewer backups have been caused by this!)
7. Assign someone on committee to make sure:
 - a. Dishwasher is turned "OFF". Lever in back must be pulled up to drain water.
 - b. All ovens and burners are off.
 - c. All refrigerator and freezer doors are closed.
 - d. All church lights and fans are off, i.e. Bathroom lights. (Some hall lights remain on at all times.)
 - e. All church doors are locked.

If a problem develops, please contact Joe (custodian) or a Trustee. A church directory is in the kitchen drawer below south wall deep sink.

SERVING COMMITTEES JULY 1, 2015

GROUP 1

Paula Cassady
Greg & Janice Goetz*
John & Joyce Gorney
Rich & Tracy Hood
Pat & Tom Klutcharch*
Grace Viner

GROUP 2

Dawn & Rick Ferrell*
Rita Grijalva
Marcia & Chuck Lellos
Kevin McGrath
Geoff & Angie Panush*
Larry Thomas
Heidi Weszely

GROUP 3

Phil & Lori Cavallone
Kelly & Steve Bradbury*
Virginia Fulton
Barb & Matt Mateer
Margaret Morrissey
Pat Petersen
Thad & Julie Przybylowski*
Kristine Schroeder

GROUP 4

Jeff Blust
Jen & Mike Davies
Dawn & Jay Hanson*
Joyce & Bob Karlson*
Laura McShane
Charlene Sandberg
Gloria Vitro

GROUP 5

Chuck Havel
Kelly & Pat Lee*
Bill & Karen McShane*
Dennis & Sharon Parney
Pam Polcar
Carol & Pete Raines
Kay Shannon
Jim & Carol Strickland

GROUP 6

Brian Crotty
Linda & Gary Kozak*
Nancy & Joel Mondry
Judy & Isaiah Gilbert
Matt & Melissa Panush*
Michelle West and Joe Horvath

GROUP 7

Desiree Hall
Denise Krueger
Norman & Diana Nilsson
Christina & Mark Palazzolo
Dave & Arlene Sladek*
Denise & Tom Sullivan*
John & Lorraine Weszely

Group 8

Carol & Jim Byland*
Kari Devine
Cathy Gardner
Pam Romano
Priscilla Sarr
Royce & Donna Swanberg
Priscilla & Richard Swanson*

The following Serving Committees will help with these activities:

Vacation Bible School Supper	Committees 1 & 5
Sunday School Picnic (Sept)	Committees 4 & 2
Advent Program	Committee 8
Sunday School Christmas Prog.	Committee 3
Confirmation	Committee 6
Fundraiser	Committee 7



September Newsletter 2015



Welcome to Noah's Ark Preschool!

The staff and I are excited to get to know our new students and families!

Meet the Teachers

- ~Mrs. Palazzolo- Preschool Director
Teacher Pre-K Classroom
- ~Mrs. Wojcik
Teacher Aide Pre-K Classroom
- ~Ms. Amanda
Teacher 3's - 4's Classroom
- ~Mrs. Dryier
Teacher Aide 3's - 4's Classroom



Dates to Remember

First Day of School

Tuesday, September 8th-
(5-day and Tuesday/Thursday students)

Wednesday, September 9th-
(Monday, Wednesday & Friday students)

Preschool hours: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Grandparent's Day

Friday, September 25th-
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 (noon)
Information to follow

During September we will focus on...

Math- How many apples long are you?

Nutrition- Making a Friendship Fruit Salad

Each month you will receive a newsletter from your child's teacher. Your child's teacher will provide pertinent information throughout each month.



Pre-K Classroom

During the month of September, the children will focus on the letters; li, Uu, Ee & Aa and numbers 0-3.

3's - 4's Classroom

During the month, the children will focus on letters Aa-Bb and numbers 1-2.



A NOTE FROM...

Mrs. Palazzolo & Mrs. Wojcik

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Noah's Ark Preschool. Mrs. Wojcik and I are looking forward to teaching your child this year. We have many fun and exciting activities planned to help your child develop skills needed for Kindergarten. Implementing the A Beka curriculum will help achieve each child's educational goal. The curriculum is well rounded and incorporates many hands on activities that will encourage learning. We are looking forward to this school year!

During the first few weeks, the children will begin to learn and recognize vowels. This is achieved through learning and singing the vowel song. Building the skills of letter sound awareness throughout the year will help your child begin to develop pre- reading skills.

The curriculum focuses on the following key areas.

Skills development: Helps encourage the children to work on their fine motor skills and writing skills.

Phonics and Reading: Helps each child build their phonological skills by mastering the sounds and recognition of letters.

Handwriting: The children will work on the proper pencil grip and learn that letters live in a house, just like they do! The children will work on the proper steps taken to print the uppercase and lowercase alphabet letters.

Numbers: The children will work on counting 1-100 and will be able to recognize numbers 0-20+.

Story and Poetry Time: Encourages children to enhance their language and comprehension skills.

Arts and Crafts: Helps children express their creativity.

Centers: Gives the children an opportunity to explore the classroom while rotating centers.

Music and Movement: Children will learn to love and sing music.

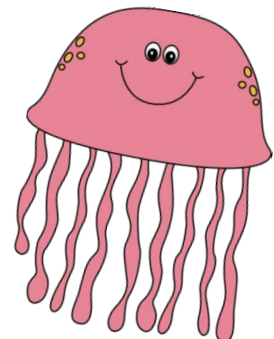
Science, history and math activities will be implemented throughout the months.

If at any time you have questions or concerns, please feel free to speak with us. We look forward to working with you and your child this year!

Thank you,

Mrs. Palazzolo

Mrs. Wojcik





A NOTE FROM...

Ms. Amanda & Mrs. Dryier

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Preschool! Thank you for giving us the opportunity to teach your child. We are looking forward to getting to know your family as we progress through the year. It's going to be a wonderful year of learning and many good times together.

This year your child will be learning many new things. Your child will continue to develop their language skills. This will be accomplished by using the A Beka Book workbooks; which have been designed to help your child in the development of these skills. Activities such as coloring and painting will help develop each child's fine motor skills. Listening to stories and music will encourage the children to develop their language and thinking skills. We will be learning all the letters of the alphabet, and we will work to learn to recognize numbers 1-10 and to count 1-25.

This month we will start learning our basic shapes and colors red, yellow, blue and green, letters Aa-Bb, and numbers 1-2.

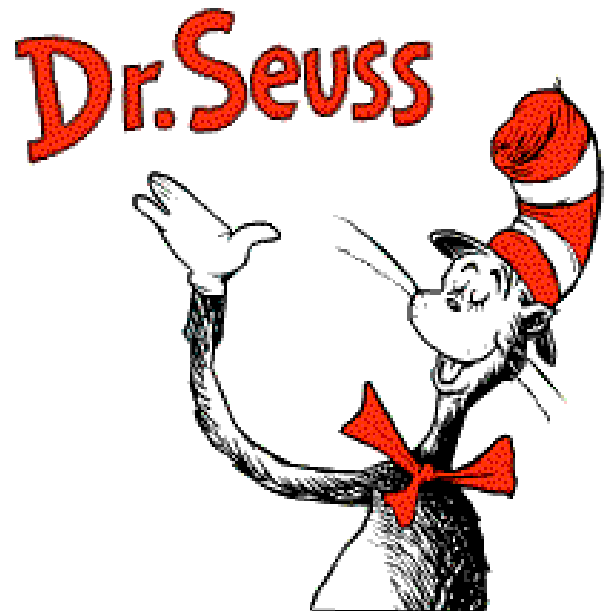
Encourage your child everyday by asking them about their day at school and having them hang special papers in a place of honor. Please be sure to praise your child for all the efforts they have shown!

We believe that communication is the key to a great parent / teacher relationship. We encourage you to contact us at any time if you have any questions or concerns. We are looking forward to a great year!

Sincerely,

Ms. Amanda

Mrs. Dryier



September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

On-going Ministry

Sunday Mornings

10:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Nursery for Infants and Toddlers

11:15 AM Sunday School for all ages

11:15 AM Confirmation

Noah's Ark Preschool - Resumes Tuesday, Sept. 8, 9 AM

Women's Bible Study – Resumes Tuesday, Sept. 8, 9:30 AM, Fireside Room

Pryme Tymers – Fall 2015 Meetings resume Thursday, Sept. 10, 11 AM

Notes:

1: Ronald McDonald House supper (4:30 PM)

5: Men's Prayer Breakfast, Jedi Garden (8 AM)

7: Labor Day

8: Noah's Ark Preschool 1st Day of School (9 AM)

Women's Bible Study resumes (9:30 AM)

Deacons meeting (6:30 PM)

Trustees & CE Board meetings (7 PM)

10: Pryme Tymers (11 AM)

12: VASA meeting, Fireside Room (11 AM)

13: Sunday School for all ages begins (11:15 AM)

Confirmation #1 (11:15 AM)

17: Church Board meeting (7 PM)

18-20: Covenant Women Fall Fellowship Retreat, Covenant Harbor

20: Confirmation #2 (11:15 AM)

Sunday School Rally Day, Peterson Hall (12 PM)

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24: Pryme Tymers (11 AM)

25: Noah's Ark Grandparents Day, Peterson Hall (11 AM-12 PM)

27: Confirmation #3 (11:15 AM)

30: Prayer Service, Fireside Room (7 PM)

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