

# Trinity UMC Preschool Newsletter

April 2018



## DATES TO REMEMBER

March 30<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM Good Friday Service

April 8<sup>th</sup> - Spaghetti Luncheon

April 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> - Spring Break

April 24<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> - Graduation and class pictures

April 28<sup>th</sup> - Fish Fry

## LOOKING AHEAD

May 7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> - Teacher Appreciation Week

May 1<sup>st</sup> - May Day

May 13<sup>th</sup> - Mother's Day

May 23<sup>rd</sup> - End of Year Program Miss

Dana's class, Miss Mary and Miss Melanie's class

May 24<sup>th</sup> - End of Year Program Miss Kim and Miss Diane's class

May 24<sup>th</sup> - Last Day of School

May 25<sup>th</sup> - Playschool Graduation

## SUNRISE SERVICE and BREAKFAST

We invite you to begin your Easter morning with us for a Sunrise Service beginning at 7:00am in the sanctuary.

The Emmett Wilson Class will serve breakfast following the Sunrise service at 8:00. The menu will be: *Grits, eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, coffee, juice and jellies* all for a donation.

9:00am - Rise Up Service

10:00am - Small Groups

11:00am - Traditions Service

## Butter Braid Fundraiser

Thank you, parents, you rock! We sold a total of 267 Units of Butter Braids this year!!! That is nearly double what we sold last year! That is a total of \$3,802 in total sales, and a total PROFIT of \$1,587.50. We have also received \$210 in donations for an estimated total of \$1,797.50 in money raised through the Butter Braid Fundraiser this year!

Top Sellers this year:

The Black Family - 134 units sold

The Carey Family - 26 units sold

The Woolford Family - 18 units sold

## LOST AND FOUND

Would all the moms check your child's princess umbrella? Sonora, who is in Miss Susan's class has one with Rapunzel, Belle and Cinderella which was missing when she left to go home the other day, so, it was probably picked up by mistake. There also was a cute little boy's umbrella left behind.



## Fish Fry

The BBQ is over and everybody loved it, but as soon as it is

over the phone starts

ringing and neighbors start asking, "When is the next fish fry?" The United Methodist Men will sponsor a Spring Fish Fry on **Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>.**

The cost is \$10.00 for a plate of *Shrimp, Catfish or Flounder* with all the fixings. Mark your calendars; we hope you can join us beginning at 4:00pm!



## May Day

**Games** Spring is FINALLY here so May Day plans are under way. May Day is an event that was started over thirty

years ago, and we will have it this year on Tuesday, May 1st. It will be a fun filled event for all children and their families. If your child does not normally attend on Wednesday, just drop them off in their classroom at 10:20. At 10:30 the children will run out to your applause and the games will begin. There will be relay races and other field type games followed by a covered dish lunch on the front lawn. Let me stop here and explain what a covered dish lunch is for all you young parents that have no clue what I am talking about. Each family brings a large covered dish to share with everyone. It can be an entrée like fried chicken or ham, a vegetable dish or a dessert. This day and time, it is easier than ever. You can get drive through chicken or any type of prepared salads from grocery stores. The food will be set up in the Fellowship Hall. After the games and you will fix your plates buffet style, and then bring it back outside to eat picnic style. Bring lawn chairs or a blanket and don't forget to bring your cameras to catch all the action. We need our Daddy Volunteers for Team Daddy just like the last couple of years.

May 7th - 11<sup>th</sup>



Just to let you know. Shelly is teaching the class for our littlest ones on Mondays and would not be able to answer any questions, having to do with fundraisers or financial matters. If it is not something, that can wait until Tuesday or Wednesday, which are her office hours, see Claudia and if she can't answer your question, she will have Shelly call you after class.



### Two Years Old

Adam Black

April 25<sup>th</sup>

### Three Years Old

Avery Murray

April 30<sup>th</sup>

### Five Years old

Wyatt Carey

April 10<sup>th</sup>

Gracyn Shields

April 12<sup>th</sup>

## *With Love from Miss Claudia*

"God has written the promise of new life not just in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime."

That quote came from a cute children's book, *Bunny's First Spring*. In *Bunny's First Spring*, through really great pictures and simple story kids can learn all about how things come to life in spring. A baby bunny is born in spring and he sees the world as it is — new and beautiful. As the seasons change and winter approaches, things start to die and the bunny gets scared. His parents lovingly reassure him of the miracle of nature's rebirth.

Everyone loves Spring and I can not think of a better time to ask ourselves, "Are we doing everything that we can to take care of this world and leave it a beautiful place for our children?" I saw a beautiful video on line, the other day which was titled, "If Nature Could Talk". Following are parts of what I heard:

*"Some call me Nature, some call me Mother Nature. I don't really need people, but people need me. Your future depends on me. When I thrive, you thrive. When I falter, you falter, or worst. I have been here for ions. I have fed creatures greater than you, I have starved creatures greater than you. My oceans, my soil, my flowing streams, my forest. How you choose to live each day and regard or disregard me doesn't really matter to me, one way or another. Your actions will determine your fate, not mine. I am Nature, I will go on. I am prepared to evolve; are you?"*

God has given us an amazing world that shines it's most beautiful in Spring, so let's be good stewards and do everything that we can to keep it the way God intended.

## *In Memory of Isaiah Joseph* *Trinity UMC Preschool Graduate*



### **Spaghetti Luncheon & Make a Wish Fundraiser**

Trinity United Methodist Church

6230 Beatties Ford Rd, Charlotte NC

Sunday, April 8, 2018

12:00pm



Cost of lunch is a donation with all proceeds to Make-a-Wish Foundation in memory of Isaiah Joseph. Lunch includes salad, spaghetti, bread and tea. So instead of going out after church please plan to stay or come visit us for a delicious home cooked meal. Spend your money with us and help grant wishes.

***Together, we create life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. We may not be able to change the diagnosis but we CAN be a life-changer for a wish child.***



We hope that you will mark your calendars and plan to join us on Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the sanctuary as we observe Good

Friday.

*“Good Friday is a Christian holiday commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and his death at Calvary*

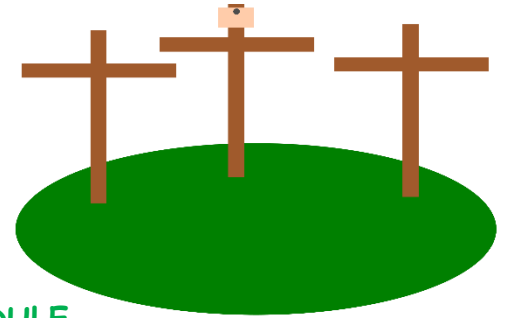


Young children build their understanding of the world through a blend of personal experience and fantasy. Imagination, Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote, is the precursor of reason. I would add that imagination is the precursor of faith. James Fowler calls it the stage of “Intuitive-Projective faith.” 2 Children who can envisage a friendly though unseen bunny who shares joy through gifts can begin to contemplate a divinity whose nature is love and who delights in sharing.



### Vacation Bible School

June 24<sup>th</sup> - June 28<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendar to save the date and tell all of your friends



### EASTER WEEK SCHEDULE

@ Trinity United Methodist Church

**Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday)**

9:00am - Rise Up Service

10:00am- Small Groups

11:00am - Traditions Service

4:00pm - Prayer Time

All Daisy orders are due

**Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**

7:00pm - United Methodist Men's Dinner and Meeting

**Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup> (Good Friday)**

7:00pm - Good Friday Service in Sanctuary

**Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> (Easter Sunday)**

7:00am - Sunrise Service

8:00am - Breakfast

9:00am - Rise Up Service

10:00am - Small Groups

11:00am - Traditions Service

## “Hey Mom, I’m bored”

Parents will be looking for ways to entertain their children during the summer when school is out and we have the answer for you. We are now taking registrations for our Summer Sessions. If you are thinking about coming, please let us know as soon as possible. We must line up our staff and set up classrooms. For more information call Claudia at 704-399-1684 or visit our web page [www.trinityumcofcharlotte.com](http://www.trinityumcofcharlotte.com)



## Preschool Summer Camp Fun 2018

### Session One

6/12 – 6/14 **"Our Woodland Friends"**

Let's explore the woods. They are full of some of God's most delightful creatures like birds, turtles, rabbits, deer and so many more

6/19– 6/21 **"Creatures of the Ocean"**

Oceans cover 71% of the world and God has filled it with all sorts of beautiful and unusual creatures. Let's put on our scuba gear and do some exploring.

6/26– 6/28 **"Reptiles, Then and Now"**

From Dinosaurs to Snakes; what makes them different than other animals?

7/10– 7/12 **"Old MacDonald Had a Farm"**

Let's learn about farm animals and all the gifts that they share with us.

### Session Two

7/17– 7/19 **"Is It Magic or Is It Science"**

It is hard to tell; is it science or just a slight of hand? We will have special visitors to show us both the world of magic and science.

7/24- 7/26

**"The Wonderful World of Plants"**

There is so much to learn about the plant kingdom, from the parts of the plant to how plants provide us with food.

7/31– 8/2 **"Heroes the Bible"**

Little David and the Giant, Goliath – Mary, Teenage Mother of God - **Miriam's Courage – Samuel Hears God**

8/7– 8/9 **"Shapes, Shapes, Everywhere Shapes"**

Look around. You will find shapes everywhere: circles: the sun, wheels on a car, and cookies on a plate; rectangles: windows and doors on buildings, tree trunks, and stripes on a bee; and triangles: pine trees, wings on a butterfly, and the roof of a house. Your children will have fun learning about geometric shapes with the fun and educational activities, games and crafts.



## Trinity's 2018 Summer Adventure Camp

### For Elementary Ages Rising 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Graders!

#### Session One - Life Skills Camp

Teaching life skills to our children helps build the foundation for adulthood. We will focus on teaching campers the joy of serving others, as well as many basic – but very important skills.

##### 6/12 – 6/14 – "Cooking/Cleaning"

Campers will focus on many basic needs around the home. They will pack their own lunch, make a simple meal, do laundry, sweep/mop, learn table manners, wash dishes, and clean their room.

##### 6/19 – 6/21 – "Woodworking/Auto Mechanics"

Woodworking and mechanics teaches persistence, focus, math, and helps to develop fine motor skills. Campers will learn about the tools, how to drive a nail, and build their own birdhouse!

##### 6/26 – 6/28 – "Sewing"

Can you thread a needle? Sew on a button? Know how to use a sewing machine? Campers will learn all these things with hands-on activities and make things with their new skills!

##### 7/10 - 7/12 – "Money Management"

Campers will learn the value of a dollar. They will be able to earn, spend, save, and give money. They will create a family budget, learn to write checks, pay bills, and even file taxes!

#### Season Two - Magic Tree House Adventures

##### 7/17 – 7/19 – "Midnight on the Moon"

Three... two... one... BLAST OFF! The Magic Tree House whisks Jack & Annie off to the moon. Campers will be doing some "out of this world" space activities like making moon rocks (eating them too), learn about planets and constellations, and create a nebula!

##### 7/24 – 7/26 - "Dolphins at Daybreak"

It's sink or swim for Jack & Annie when the Magic Tree House whisks them off to the middle of the ocean. Campers will learn all about ocean life and animals, explore the ocean layers, do hands-on experiments, and learn how to draw a life-sized whale!

##### 7/31 – 8/2 - "Vacation Under the Volcano"

Who wants to vacation next to a volcano? Jack & Annie are about to find out when the Magic Tree House whisks them back to the days of the Roman Empire. Campers will explore the city of Pompeii and recreate the eruption of **Mount Vesuvius!**

##### 8/7 – 8/9 - "Monday with a Mad Genius"

Can man fly? Find out with Jack & Annie as the Magic Tree House whisks them off to the time of Leonardo da Vinci. Campers will study the engineering behind several of his inventions, build a self-supporting bridge, and create a parachute in an attempt to drop an egg without breaking it!

