



Trinity UMC Preschool Newsletter February 2020

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb. 5th – In House Registration (For current students, siblings, and church members)
Feb. 12th – Registration Open to Public
Feb 12th & 13th – Free Assessments PT & OT
Feb. 14th – Valentine's Day
Feb. 17th – Teacher Workday (NO SCHOOL)
Feb. 18th – 100th Day of School
Feb. 26th & 27th – In Reach Puppet Show

LOOKING AHEAD

Mar. 3rd – Soccer Shots Spring Semester Begins
Mar. 5th – Trinity's 61st Annual BBQ 11am-until
Mar. 15th – Preschool Sunday (9am & 11am)
Mar. 25 & 28 – Event Images (Class Pic & Grads)
Mar. 27 – Teacher Workday (NO SCHOOL)



February Birthdays

Five Years Old

Ben Rogers

February 19th



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

In the event of inclement weather, parents will be notified via email and Facebook (Trinity UMC Preschool public page) for all delays and closings. Although we do take into consideration the decision of other local schools, we do reserve the right to operate on our own accord. If, during the regular Preschool hours, snow or ice begins to form, please come immediately. Do not let the roads get bad while waiting for an announcement from Trinity UMC Preschool or other area schools.



Early Bird Registration



Regular Priced Registration is \$75 Beginning March 1

SCHEDULE A TOUR TODAY!

**TRINITY UMC
PRESCHOOL**

Register your child during the month of February, for only \$50.00 per child, a savings of \$25.00. Your registration fee is due at the time you turn in your forms. All registration forms will be numbered as they come in and classes will fill in the order that we receive all your registration information and registration fee. There are only a limited number of spots available for each option provided. Please register early to ensure you are able to register for the days you desire. Registration Opens Feb. 5th!

ATTENTION PARENTS

You should have received your registration packet already. Make sure you **register** your child for the 2020-2021 School Year and/or the 2020 Summer Session **BEFORE** February 12th, which is when registration opens to the public. If you need additional enrollment forms, you will find them on the bulletin board outside the preschool office and on the table near the front entrance.

PARKING LOT SAFETY

Please exercise caution when driving through our parking lot. The safety of our students is very important to us. Encourage your children to stay with you as you walk down the sidewalk and when driving be aware of children as they dart out from in between cars.

⚠ CAUTION

Barnyard News Puppet Show

FEBRUARY 26 & 27

Presented by InReach and Troupe 801

Trinity UMC Preschool is proud to welcome InReach and Troupe 801 to present Barnyard News on Wednesday, February 26th and Thursday, February 27th. They came last year and our children LOVED it. They presented an adorable puppet show that taught our children that we are each special in our own way. It showed them that we can always find something in common with the people around us, and we should always treat others with kindness and respect and help one another! The InReach team that organizes this show for area schools waived their usual fee for us, but we can help them. They are always in need of a few basic supplies. If you are able to donate, you will help this amazing program continue to reach the hearts and minds of children in our area, please do! Donations should be LABELED "INREACH" and left in the preschool office during normal office hours. If you have any questions, please call the Preschool Office at 704-399-1684 ext. 23.

Lint Brushes

Hand Sanitizer

Lysol/Clorox Wipes

Small Plastic Kazoos

Copy Paper (white)

Card Stock (white)

Chick fil A Gift Cards (Lunch for the puppeteers)

Bojangles Gift Cards (Lunch for the puppeteers)

Uber Gift Cards (Transportation for puppeteers)

Avery Business Cards (2 x 3.5)

Avery Labels (5168)

Troupe 801



JACK works at InReach every Tuesday and lives in his own apartment. Jack loves his family, his church, and Bojangle's!



MISSY works at the Nature Museum every Thursday feeding the butterflies. Missy creates and sells beautiful pottery with her mom.



BRANDON attends CPCC and works at Trader Joe's. He's an awesome basketball player and received a one-day contract to play with the Charlotte Hornets.



JILLIAN Works part time as a receptionist for InReach. Jillian attends CPCC and has presented a speech to 600 people at a fundraising luncheon!



SAVE THE DATE!

TRINITY UMC



PRESCHOOL SUNDAY
MARCH 15TH

We are in the planning stages of putting together a very special Sunday Service with our Preschool Family. We will have our preschoolers and some of our alumni students lead both the 9:00am and the 11:00am services. If you would like for your child to be involved, please let Ms. Shelly know as soon as possible. We will have the children usher, light the candles, sing songs, play the handbells, lead the prayer time, and more. We will also be hosting a luncheon following the 11:00am service to raise money for the Claudia Myers Scholarship Fund. Please SAVE THE DATE and plan to join us for this very special Sunday at Trinity UMC!

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A Sneaker Recycling Organization

We are now raising money for our outreach ministries – such as our Backpack Ministry, Montana Mission Team, and Summer Lunch Program. The sneaker recycling organization will pay us one dollar for each pair of old sneakers that are still wearable and 50 cents even if they are not. Please check out yours and your kids closets and bag them up and put them in the bin located near the front entrance. (Please Donate Sneakers Only)

FREE ASSESSMENTS – FEB. 12 & 13



Little Feet Pediatric Therapy will be onsite at Trinity UMC Preschool on Wednesday, February 12th and Thursday, February 13th to conduct physical and occupational therapy screenings for gross and fine motor development of students, as well as sensory or behavior issues. Screenings can be provided to children ages 4 months and older. We have attached is a list of gross and fine motor milestones and we encourage you to take a look at it. If you have any concerns about your child's development, this would be a great opportunity to get those skills checked out. Early intervention is the best defense for future impairments.

The screenings will last approximately 15-20 minutes and will indicate whether your child needs or does not need a full physical or occupational therapy evaluation. If your child demonstrates a few minor challenges, ideas to address those challenges at home will be provided. If a full therapy evaluation and treatment is recommended, we are in network with most major insurance companies and therapy services can be provided at Trinity UMC Preschool, or in your home, if you'd prefer.

The screenings are completely free of charge, but we do need you to please fill out the application form and send it back to

school with your child so we can get them scheduled. We will contact you prior to and

following the screen to make sure all concerns are addressed. Applications need to be returned to the school by February 10th.

If you have questions please contact Shawn Leis at 704-931-8022. Thank you so much!



We are going to have a GREAT Summer in 2020!

Last Summer Sessions were AMAZING and this year we plan to top it AGAIN! We will have classes for our preschool children, two years through five years old and our Summer Adventure Camp for Elementary Age Children – Rising 1st-6th graders. The first year we hosted an Elementary Summer Camp, the older children were hesitant to come, because it was at a Preschool. They soon found out that this adventure is designed especially for them. We've already heard from several of our students from last year who are planning to return! It's going to be another GREAT Summer at Trinity UMC Preschool!

Check out our Summer curriculum for Preschool and Elementary age students on the next page!



Looking for Summer Staff

We may need additional Summer Staff. If you have ever taught preschool, Sunday School, or just have a love of children and think that you would enjoy a part time summer job, please contact the Preschool Office to apply! Like all teachers, the pay could never be what you are worth, but the benefits are amazing!



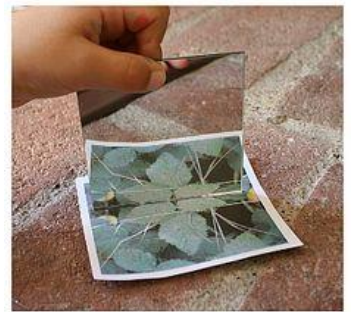
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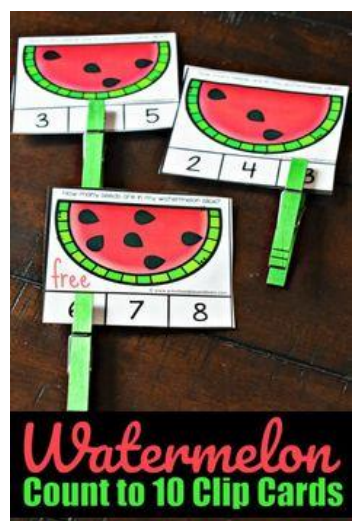
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Hot School PUDDLE JUMPING



Exploring Symmetry in Nature Math, Science, and the Outdoors





Preschool Summer Camp Fun 2020

Session One

Week 1 – 6/9 – 6/11 "SUMMER!"

Yaay! For Summer Break! We are going to be doing all things summer! We will be having fun with water, enjoying a popsicle on the playground, and going to the beach!

Week 2 – 6/16 – 6/18 "All About Trees"

Are trees alive? Our preschoolers will be exploring to find the answer to that question. We will be doing tree bark rubbings, researching different types of trees, and create our own tree guide!

Week 3 – 6/23 – 6/25 "Flowers & Symmetry"

Through many different activities and art projects, we will help teach our preschoolers all about symmetry! We will be identifying symmetry throughout the classroom and in nature!

Week 4 – 6/30 – 7/2 "Animals and their Habitats"

We are going to focus on three major habitats and the animals that live there.
We are going to learn about the forest, the ocean, and the arctic habitats!

Session Two

Week 5 – 7/14 – 7/16 "Bugs & Butterflies"

We are going to transform our classroom into an insectarium! Preschoolers will be able to rescue bugs from the sensory bin, study, and identify them!

Week 6 – 7/21– 7/23 "Weather"

Rain or shine, we will be teaching our preschoolers all about the why behind the weather. We will study different types of weather activities, make shape clouds, and talk about what to wear!

Week 7 – 7/28– 7/30 "Construction"

CAUTION! You are entering a zone under construction! We will be building, cutting, and working hard this week. Learning is hard work... especially with a construction theme!

Week 8 – 8/4– 8/6 "Dinosaurs"

ROAR! We are going to be talking about dinosaurs this week! We will learn about the different types of dinosaurs, study the eggs they hatch from, and do a dig to hunt for fossils.



Summer Adventure Camp 2020

For Elementary Ages Rising 1st – 6th Graders!

Session One - God's Natural World

Week 1 – 6/9 – 6/11 – "Hike an Unnatural Trail"

God created a beautiful world but there are places our world has been littered by manmade items. Campers will learn a valuable lesson about conservation and keeping nature clean and beautiful by walking an unnatural trail.

Week 2 – 6/16 – 6/18– "My Neighborhood Tree Guide"

Campers learn to identify trees by their leaves, seeds, bark, and overall shape. Through experiments they will learn how to estimate the age and height of trees.

Week 3 – 6/23 – 6/25 – "Finding Symmetry in Nature"

Learning opportunities are everywhere in nature! It is filled with all kinds of shapes and patterns. Campers will see God's hand in nature as they learn about rotational and reflection symmetry.

Week 4 – 6/30 – 7/2 – "What's Your Habitat?"

Campers will explore basic survival needs of humans and wildlife as they study and draw their own homes and neighborhoods.

Season Two - Magic Tree House Adventures

This amazing book series features Jack and Annie as they journey around the world and study history through a magic tree house. These books help students dive deeper into the subject matter, learn about different events in history, and discover other cultures.

Week 5 – 7/14 – 7/16 – "Buffalo Before Breakfast"

Join us as we travel back 200 years ago to the Great Plains, meet the Lakota Indians, and learn how to hunt buffalo. Can Jack and Annie stop the stampede? We will study buffalo artifacts and learn more about the Lakota Tribe.

Week 6 – 7/21 – 7/23 - "Twister on a Tuesday"

Jack and Annie are whisked to a midwestern prairie in the 1870s. They visit a one-room schoolhouse and learn about the hard life of the pioneers. Campers will learn about pioneer life on the prairie and all about the threat of tornados.

Week 7 – 7/28 – 7/30 - "Earthquake in the Early Morning"

An adventure that will shake you up! That's what Jack and Annie get when the Magic Tree House whisks them back to California in 1906. We will study the effects of the famous San Francisco earthquake that hit the city that day.

Week 8 – 8/4 – 8/6 - "Hurricane Heroes in Texas"

Jack and Annie are caught out in the rain in the most dangerous Magic Tree House mission yet! With the help of Meteorologist Brad Panovich, we will study how Hurricanes are formed and what makes them so dangerous.

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We are working with Soccer Shots – The Children’s Soccer Experience – this year to bring them into our school on Tuesdays after school to teach the children the basic skills of soccer, sportsmanship, and most importantly letting the kids have FUN! Their belief is that a positive experience with sports can make a lasting impact on your child’s life!

All of their coaches and staff are aligned with NC Early-Childhood Standards, they have all been background checked, certified through a comprehensive training course, and they continue on-going training and evaluations routinely.

SPRING SEMESTER WILL BEGIN AGAIN ON TUESDAY, MARCH 3rd at 12:30pm.

If you are interested and would like to sign up for our Spring Session, please register via the Soccer Shots website: <http://www.soccershots.org/charlotte>

The Spring Semester will be a 10 week program from March 3rd-May 12th.

We will not have class during Spring Break week on April 14th.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Shelly Black at anytime!





61st Annual Trinity UMC BBQ

Thursday, March 5th – 11am Until

Trinity United Methodist Church

6230 Beatties Ford Road

Charlotte, NC 28216

Feel free to eat in, take out, or drive thru!

**Cost: \$10.00 per plate or 3 sandwiches
\$10.00 per pound**



For more information call the Church Office at 704-399-1684
Or visit our website www.TrinityUMCofCharlotte.com