



# Trinity UMC Preschool Newsletter May 2020

#### DATES TO REMEMBER FOR MAY

May 1<sup>st</sup> – Virtual May Day

May 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> – Teacher Appreciation Week

May 10<sup>th</sup> – Mother's Day

May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Last Day of School

TBD - Pre-K Graduation @ 10:00 - POSTPONED

#### LOOKING AHEAD

June 9<sup>th</sup> – First Day of 1<sup>st</sup> Summer Session June 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> – Vacation Bible School July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Last Day of 1<sup>st</sup> Summer Session July 14<sup>th</sup> – First day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Summer Session August 6<sup>th</sup> – Last Day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Summer Session



## **May Birthdays**



#### **One Year Old**

Greyson Ward May 21<sup>st</sup>

**Three Years Old** 

Aaryan Shakya May 14<sup>th</sup>

**Four Years Old** 

Flynn Bechtold May 27<sup>th</sup>

**Five Years Old** 

Nell Dempsey May 10<sup>th</sup>



## May 4th through May 8th



Despite the fact that we can't gather together on the church grounds for fun, fellowship, and food, I refuse to let the day go by without celebrating this event "together" - Quarantine Style!

We will be hosting a **VIRTUAL MAY DAY** event on **Friday, May 1st**! Please plan to join in on the fun! We can't wait to see your photos/videos from the event you host at your home. Get creative! Let's have some fun this May Day 2020: At Home Edition!

# **Vacation Bible School**



Rocky Railway! On this faith-filled adventure, kids discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs.

June 21-25 Time 6:15 - 8:30 PM Ages 3 years – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Online registration starts May 1st at <a href="https://www.trinityumcofcharlotte.com">www.trinityumcofcharlotte.com</a>

#### FLAT MS. SHELLY – COMING SOON!

Don't forget!!! Flat Ms. Shelly - Coming soon to a mailbox near you! I missed you guys **SO** much that I decided to make a flat version of myself and mail myself to you, so we could play together!



I can't wait to hear from each of you and see our pictures of the fun adventures we went on together!! Be sure to share them with me on Facebook with the hashtag #FlatMsShelly. This is going to be **SO MUCH FUN!** Get creative! Let's have some fun!



# Summer Birthdays



#### **Two Years Old**

6/30
7/12
7/30
8/12
8/16
7/17
7/19
8/6
8/22
8/15

# Join Us Via Zoom!

Logan White



8/16

DANA & MERCY – 6 Month Class Wednesdays at 4:15

**Six Years Old** 

MARY & GINNY – 1 Year Old Class Mondays at 10:00 & Thursdays at 11:00

MELANIE & SHAY – 2 Year Old Class Thursdays at 4:00

DIANE & MELISSA – 3 Year Old Class Thursdays at 3:30

PAT & JANE – 4 Year Old Class Tuesdays & Thursdays at 11:00

This is a tentative schedule. These times are subject to change. Please contact your child's teacher for additional details and an invitation to join the meeting.

#### \*\*IMPORTANT SCHOOL UPDATE\*\*

By now I am sure that you have all heard that Governor Roy Cooper has announced this past Friday that K-12th grade public schools in North Carolina will remain closed through the end of the school year.

Although this decision breaks my heart, Trinity UMC Preschool will follow in accordance with the decision made by Governor Cooper. It is in the best interest of our students and staff members to remain closed through the end of the 2019-2020 school year.

We are optimistic that we will be able to reopen as scheduled for our Summer Session beginning on Tuesday, June 9th. However, we will keep you updated of any changes to our scheduling in the future.

We will postpone our Graduation Ceremony for our graduating class of 2020. This event will likely be held in late June or potentially July, when we are able to gather again. More information about plans for our graduates will be released soon.

Throughout the month of May, your teachers will continue to offer you the same amazing programming we have provided throughout the month of April. We will be sending at-home learning packets, emails full of ideas and activities for your children to continue learning and developing skills, wonderful virtual opportunities for your entire family, ZOOM meetings, and materials dropped off at your doorstep as needed.

If you have any questions regarding tuition payments or refunds, please contact me directly.

Shelly Black Director Trinity UMC Preschool

#### **Tuition Payments & Refunds**

This has certainly been a year unlike any other year we have experienced at Trinity UMC Preschool. We have sadly made the decision to close our doors for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.



During this time, we are waiving all late fees and we will NOT be charging for tuition in April or May, but we are asking that all accounts are paid in full by May 20th. With that being said, we do understand that you may be suffering financially during this time. If you will not be able to pay off your account in full by this time, please contact Denesa Lawson, Accounts Receivables, to work out an arrangement or payment plan as soon as possible. If you would like to inquire about your account balance, or if you have any other questions you can contact Denesa at 704-399-1684 ext.24 or email her at TUMCmoney@yahoo.com.





### Worship with us online during this time!

Blended Service Each Sunday at 11:00am

Please join us for streaming worship services each Sunday beginning at 11:00am.

This is a blended service that will feature members from our contemporary services and/or our traditional services each week.

You may access our programming through the Trinity UMC Facebook Page or our website at http://www.trinityumcofcharlotte.com

### Sunday School Each Sunday at 10:00am

You would also love to invite you to join us for a streaming Sunday School experience available every Sunday at 10:00am. This will feature a special guest along with our Minister Jimmy Howard. You can also access this via our Facebook page or our website.

http://trinityumcofcharlotte.com/streaming-video.php



## 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 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> 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!



HURRICANE Unit Study





Exploring Symmetry in Nature















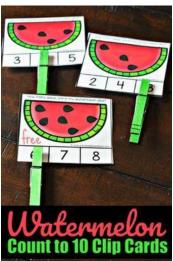






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# Preschool Summer Camp Fun 2020 Session One

#### 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 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> 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.