

# Trinity UMC Playschool

## Newsletter

### Summer 2012

### Session II



#### DATES TO REMEMBER

August 9<sup>th</sup> - Last Day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Summer Session

#### LOOKING AHEAD

September 3<sup>rd</sup> - Memorial Day

September 4<sup>th</sup> - First day of Fall Playschool

September 15<sup>th</sup> - Boy Scout Horse Show

Come enjoy our  
Summer Sunday Service!



If you don't have a church family we would love for you to be part of our family. Your children already feel like Trinity is their second home so it would be a great fit for your family. The congregation is full of people of all ages who truly love our children.

9:00am - Rise-Up Service

10:00am - Small Groups

11:00am - Traditions

Trinity Church also offers Youth Programs for Kindergarten through 12th grade on Sundays from 5:00pm-6:30. Feel free to stop by Sunday afternoon and see what Trinity's Youth Program has to offer your family!

K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade Leaders-Shea and Holly Hartsell

3<sup>rd</sup> grade-6<sup>th</sup> grade Leaders Shelly Black and Sherri Barth

7<sup>th</sup> grade-12<sup>th</sup> grade Leader Lynne Bruce

#### Join Us for Lunch on Wednesdays

A few years ago a group of Trinity members (mostly senior citizens) came up with the idea of selling hot dogs each Wednesday to raise money to buy a church bus. That group of members have not only bought their bus but have helped pay off the family life center and so much more. The menu of hot dogs has grown over the years to include hamburgers, corn dogs, chicken sandwiches, bologna sandwiches, BBQ's, fries, chili and pintos. You'll even find some of the best homemade desserts that you will ever taste. Many of the playschool families stay each Wednesday to eat lunch together. It has become one of the most popular places in the area to eat on Wednesdays. Also, don't forget if your child stays for Lunch Bunch you may order their lunch in the Playschool Office and have it delivered Wednesdays. Make sure you stay one Wednesday soon. You will be glad that you did.

*No Lazy Days of Summer for Us!*

The children are really enjoying the summer sessions, thanks to "Miss" Susan, Cindy, Jana and Shae. This week the little ones in Jana's class are concentrating on Music and Movement.

"Miss" Susan's class will be talking about frogs, lizards and turtles and the oldest children in "Miss" Shae's class will have their "All About Me" week. Following, you will see the schedule for the last three weeks of Second Summer Session.

"Miss" Jana: Week 2 - Under the Sea  
Week 3 - Planes, Trains and Automobiles

Week 4 - Let's Go Camping

"Miss" Susan: Week 2 - Camping Fun  
Week 3- Cooking Fun Food  
Week 4 - Fun books

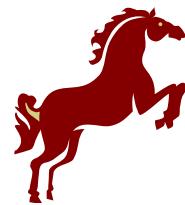
"Miss" Shae Week 2 - Fun in the Sun  
Week 3 - Science Week  
Week 4 - Blast Off to Outer Space

## *With Love from Miss Claudia*

After thirty years at Trinity Preschool, I have been witness to many events, involving the children, which can only be explained by miracle intervention. Anytime that you put a large number of children in the equation, the opportunities for accidents goes up dramatically. During our second year of operation we had a snow storm followed by days of below freezing weather. We decided to bring a homemade sled made from roofing tin and load it up down with preschoolers and sled down the front lawn. The first few trips were un-eventful but along about the third try, the sled built up speed and we knew that it was going straight into Beatties Ford Road. That was before the bushes and sidewalk was added and there was nothing to slow down the sled. Now admittedly I was over 25 years younger, but track star was not one of my talents. When I started running the sled was just yards from the road but somehow I made it from the church steps to in front of the sled. I didn't see guardian angels, but they had to be there. Between that time and today there are numerous stories that are too many to write about, so I will just share the most recent.

When the playground is wet, we take the children to the Family Life Center where they can run and play and blow off some steam. None of the adults noticed, but when the huge projection screen was sat on the stage after Sunday services the base which is shaped like an upside down "T" was hanging off the stage, on both sides. There are carpeted steps leading up to the stage and the children love to play on them. Around 20 children were in front of the screen when one of the teachers screamed as it started to fall. One of the children had probably put enough weight on the exposed base to shift the weight to the top of the screen and it was coming down. Time seemed to run in slow motion as I ran with the other teachers toward the screen. It was not a question of "Will it fall?" but "When will it fall and how many children will be caught under it?". All of the sudden the

screen stopped its descent and wobbled precariously from side to side. Holding on to the base and watching the screen to adjust the point of gravity, little Oliver Fee was stabilizing the screen. He held it until the teachers arrived and could assist. I told Oliver that he was just like Superman and had saved the children. It was obvious that he did not see it as the big deal that I did. All that evening I thought about the weight of the screen and how was it possible for a four year old child to stop the fall by adjusting the base. I finally came to the conclusion that angels had to be there to help that brave little boy who, without thinking of himself, rushed to help the others. When Oliver and his dad arrived the next day, I quickly realized that Oliver did not think the incident was newsworthy enough to share with his family. As I told the dad what had happened, he beamed as any father would. As they were walking away, Oliver said to his dad, "You taught me to be a brave strong man." Wow, what a compliment! As we take the time to share our values with our children, we shape the type of people that they will become. Parents, be very aware of the values that you are sharing with your children and one day you , like Garry Fee, will see the results of "A job, well done!"



## Horse Show

Come join Trinity's Boy Scout Troop 218 for a day of FUN on Saturday, September 15 at Latta Plantation Equestrian Center! Our scouts are hosting a horse show! Come watch the many riders strut thru the rink showing their skills and the horse's skills. The concession stand will be open serving mouth watering burgers and hot dogs, ice cold snow cones and refreshing drinks. Admission to the show is FREE! Hope to see you all there!