

## Wrightsville United Methodist Preschool News

### December 2016

Christmas Time is just around the corner! Since we only have 3 weeks until our Christmas Break, we will quickly occupy ourselves making preparations for this joyous season. Our preschoolers are going to be "busy little elves" as they make decorations and other special surprises. Teachers may not be sending home many items until a little closer to the holidays. This month we will focus on the true meaning of Christmas, <u>Celebrating the Birth of Jesus Christ</u>. We will be emphasizing the <u>Joys of Giving</u>. Our last day of classes before Christmas vacation will be Thursday, December 15th. On that day, we will have a special Christmas celebration, including a birthday party in honor of Baby Jesus. All four classes will join together at 10:00 AM for an informal Christmas Sing-A-Long in the Sanctuary. Parents and extended family are invited to join us for the Sing-A-Long. Afterward, the children and staff will return to their classrooms to continue their class day. There <u>will</u> be Lunch bunch on this day. Please see important information on back regarding Christmas party details, and our community outreach for the month of December.

**Dates to Remember:** 

November 30	Wed.	All Lunch Bunch Forms due. PLEASE TURN THESE IN ON TIME EVEN IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOUR TUTION PAYMENT WITH YOU.
December 1	Thurs.	All tuition payments due.
December 15	Thurs.	Christmas Celebration ( <u>Please see back for</u> <u>important details</u> ). Parents, grandparents, siblings and other members of our church and preschool families are invited to join us for our Sing-a-Long and Baby Jesus Birthday Celebration from 10:00-10:30 AM.
Dec. 16- Jan. 2		No School/Christmas Vacation.
January 3	Tues.	Preschool back in session! 😊 Happy New Year!

# Baby Jesus Birthday Party and Christmas Sing-A-Long Thursday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 10.00 am



#### **CHRISTMAS PARTY DETAILS**

On the day of Our Baby Jesus Birthday Party and Christmas Sing-A-Long we will all gather in the Sanctuary at 10:00 AM. Parents and extended family are invited to join us for this 30 minute program! The children in each class will have their special snack back in their classrooms <u>after</u> our program and then will continue their regular class day and Lunch Bunch. Teachers will post signup sheets for the party snack.

As an outreach to the community, we ask that each child bring a gift of socks, hats, scarves, blankets or gloves (all sizes including men's and women's), to be given to individuals through the Methodist Home for Children or Interfaith Hospitality. Please DO NOT wrap this gift. <u>They are to be dropped off in your child's classroom first thing in</u> <u>the morning on the day of the party.</u> There will be a special time during our Baby Jesus Birthday Party/Sing-a-long for the children to place these gifts around the Manger.



Remember to bring gifts of hats, gloves, scarves, socks or a blanket for your child to lay around the manger during the Baby Jesus Birthday Party.

# A Very Special Request!



WE REQUEST A PARENT VOLUNTEER TO MAKE OR PURCHASE OUR BABY JESUS BIRTHDAY CAKE AGAIN THIS YEAR! IT WILL BE SHARED WITH THE CHILDREN IN ALL FOUR CLASSES, ONCE THEY RETURN TO THEIR CLASSROOMS. **IF YOU FEEL LED TO DO THIS, PLEASE SEE RUTH. THANKS!** 

## Would You Like to Make a Gift to Our School? Please consider the K.C. Kardos Memorial Scholarship Fund!

If you would like to make a special gift to our program, we have a wonderful scholarship fund in memory of K.C. Kardos which helps us assist preschool families with tuition costs when they are in times of need. K.C. was very involved Preschool Parent, Church Member and Young Mothers' Bible Study Member. She passed away in the spring of 2005.

Anyone wishing to donate to our scholarship fund may drop it in the preschool tuition box or send a donation to: WUMC, Box 748, Wrightsville Beach, NC 28480. Please make the check payable to Wrightsville United Methodist Church and indicate that the donation is for the Preschool Scholarship Fund. **FUNDS ARE RUNNING LOW, SO ANY DONATIONS YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!** 

#### THANKS A MILLION!

To Erin Uebele (Jade's Mom) and Kate Woodbury (West and Louie's Mom), for the great Hunt through the Haystack for our special "Hh" activity. The children searched through the haystack for items that began with the letter Hh. The Haystack Hunt has become a Fall tradition at our school and the kids just love it!

To Kimmi Merenda and Lunette Hines (Jude's Mom and Grandmother) for providing individual ice cakes for the children to melt and discover the treasures hidden within for our special "li" activity. Really, chilly hands on fun!

To Jessica Horne (Easton's Mom) and Beth Bonner Isaac's Mom), who are providing everything we needed to make our Jingle necklaces, during "Jj" Week. We will use these throughout the month of December during our musical activities!

To **EVERYONE** who contributed to our Family Thanksgiving Feast! The children were adorable and the food was delicious!!! It was absolutely wonderful sharing in this special time together!

# Lunch Bunch Forms will be in your child's cubby tomorrow. Here is one for your convenience:

## Please be sure to turn in this form on time:

# - Wednesday Nov. 30

Thursday Lunch Bunch

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the days your child will be staying for Thursday Lunch Bunch this month:

Dec. 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Dec. 8

Dec. 15 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Lunch bunch days \_\_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Please turn this form in no later than Wednesday, Dec. 2 and add total to your tuition check for December. Reminder: 3 day a week tuition is \$180.00/month and 4 day is \$200.00/month. Thank you!



Wishing you and your family a Christmas filled with love, wonder, peace and joy!



Ruth, Manuela, Shannon, Mandy, Teresa, Johnna, Megan and Cara



# CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:

Wrightsville United Methodist Church will hold four Christmas Eve services for our church family, friends and community on Saturday, December 24th. We hope you can join us! Please note times:

**Christmas Eve Services 2:00 pm Service for Families and Children (Lessons and Carols)** 3:00 pm Candlelight Communion Service\* 5:00 pm Candlelight Communion Service\* 7:30 pm Candlelight Communion Service

\*\*\*\*A nursery is provided for children under 3 years old at the 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm Candlelight services only.