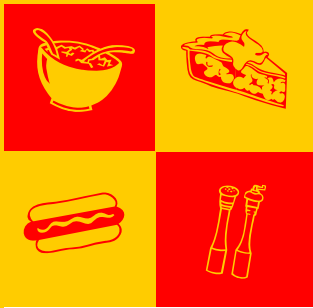


Preschool News



From The Director's Desk

Thanks to all who helped us celebrate Halloween with the children. We've heard many nice comments. Mrs. Pari, Mrs. Sharon and I all had a good time, too!

We are planning a couple more celebrations, Thanksgiving Feast and Christmas Program. The Thanksgiving Feast will be shared with all the children at an 11:30 a.m. lunch,

Wednesday, November 26. A sign up sheet will be posted soon, for those that would like to help provide the feast. Save Friday, December 12 to attend our Christmas Program during morning preschool.

Pastor Kathy continues our weekly chapel with the theme of water. We have covered baptism, the baptism of



Water and the Word

Jesus, baby Moses, the creation story, and more. Jesus, the living water, quenches a deep thirst, and like water, fills all the empty places.

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Calendar of Event School Closures

- ♦ 11/7-8—Fall Festival
- ♦ 11/11—Veteran's Day, Closed
- ♦ 11/17—Train Display
- ♦ 11/20—Guard A Kid
- ♦ 11/26—Thanksgiving Feast, 11:30 a.m.
- ♦ 11/27-28—Thanksgiving Holiday, Closed

FIGHT HUNGER EVERY DAY!

Log onto thehunger-site.com and click the panel that says "Click Here to Give—It's Free!" to donate. Then go to the other tabs across the top of the page to fight breast cancer, support children's health and literacy, fight rainforest

deforestation, and provide shelter for animals. Sponsors make a donation for everyone who clicks. Add the Hunger Site to your list of favorite websites to make a daily visit! You can only give your click once a day, but in this small

way you can make a difference, even during this time of economic stress! Donations to the St. Stephen's food pantry are always welcome, as well. Food is given away quicker than the shelves can be filled.

www.stephenschurch.org

Our webmaster has been hard at work! Check out our updated website! While you're there, click on the link "insiderpages.com". We would love to have you rate us and write a review!



St. Stephen's Lutheran Church and Preschool

Check out our website!

We will always try to post a copy of the latest newsletter. This will give you a convenient place to keep track of upcoming events and dates for special activities or school closures for holidays.

Guard A Kid

Thursday, November 20, starting at 7 a.m., you may bring your children (siblings welcome!) to be fingerprinted and photographed for a "Guard-A-Kid" child ID kit. The completed kit will be delivered to St. Stephen's two to three weeks after. Sign up forms and \$20 due prior. The preschool receives a small percentage for offering this opportunity.

Reading Program

Applications for "Children's Reading Program" offered by The Orthodox Bookstore will be accepted monthly, beginning in December, for January delivery. This program is designed to encourage and promote basic reading skills along with Christian education for two through five year olds. For only \$20 each month your child will receive three reading books

Timothy says,
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and one activity book. A great deal for a great product! For every four families that purchase a set, we will be able to purchase a classroom set.

Christmas Program and Decorations

Please save Friday, December 12. The children will perform a selection of music in the Sanctuary beginning at 9:30 a.m.. The morning will continue with a cookie reception and craft party in the Fellowship Hall. We may include some other surprises. Come, enjoy!

You are welcome to lend a Christmas tree decoration to help us fill our tree in the chapel. We would love little lights, angels, or other symbols of the holiday.



Help us decorate our bare tree!

The classrooms will be making special things to hang on the tree. All items will be returned at the end of the Christmas season when the tree is taken down.