



Merry Christmas

Mansfield 1st EPC Preschool 2018 December Newsletter

Hello December! Christmas is right around the corner and we are ready to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Our tree is up in the office with every child's name on their own bulb... come take a look! But before we dive into the many things planned for December, we are so thankful for all that happened in November here at the preschool.

November started with visits from the Gorman Nature Center. The children were very excited to see and touch some of the animals up close and personal as well as learn great facts about them! Next, the children learned about giving and blessing others with our Operation Christmas Child Service Project. We cannot thank you enough for donating the items we packed in the shoeboxes! They were delivered to Freedom Ridge Church which is a drop off site for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes in our area. We look forward to continuing this wonderful tradition of giving in the years to come for the Preschool!

We also want to thank all of those who participated in our Mommy and Me Night on Thursday, November 8th. What a great turn out, and a fun time! It was such a blessing to spend time with our Preschool families "DOWN ON THE FARM"! Your children are lucky to have you in their lives. November was wrapped up with special Feast Days for each classroom. The children shared about things they are thankful for and ended with a Thanksgiving meal in Kirk Hall. The feast menu included fruit salad (thank you for the fruit), corn muffins, and popcorn. We hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

As we take a look into December, here is a list of important dates to remember:

Thursday December 6th –Tu/Th & 5-day classes Gingerbread Hunt

Friday December 7th – MWF classes Gingerbread Hunt

(SHHHH!!! This is a secret! The children will make their own gingerbread cookies and they JUST might run away!! If they want to have a snack, they will need to find their cookies by following clues around the building!)

December 9th & 16th – Let's Can Hunger! Food Drive

The Preschool and church will rally together for a canned food drive. There will be a donation drop-off area at the Preschool entrance and in the church foyer during both Sunday services. Donations will be made to the Woodville Grace Brethren food pantry.

December 16th - Christmas Program During Church Service

This program starts at 10:00am and the children will need to be here (in their preschool classroom) promptly at 9:45am. We hope that everyone can make it! They will sing 4 songs. Following their singing in the sanctuary, the children will go back to their classrooms for a small snack/activity until church service is over which is typically around 11:15am.

December 18th and 19th - Program rehearsal

On Wednesday, December 18th and Thursday, December 19th, we will be practicing in the church sanctuary for our Christmas program from 9:30am to 10:15am. Please, if possible, have your child in attendance on these days.

December 20th – Christmas Program 6:30pm

Children need to be dropped off in their Preschool classroom promptly at 6:15pm. The program will be followed by a cookie reception in Kirk Hall for everyone to have time for fellowship. *Each child must bring a dozen cookies to share (homemade or store bought) on Thursday or Friday morning so we can arrange them on trays for Friday night.*

Christmas Break begins Friday December 21st, and classes will resume on Monday January 7, 2019.

*****Just a reminder that all tuition for December must be paid in full by Thursday December 20th. This is the absolute last day to make a payment to avoid late fees since the entire Preschool will be closing for break. *****

Merry Christmas!

Love,

Ashley Scott, Director

