
The InnerNet

April 2023

WHAT WILL MY CHILD LEARN AT LIVING SAVIOUR PRESCHOOL?

Our Philosophy

Living Saviour Lutheran Preschool believes that each child is fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14). During a child's earliest years of life there are many "windows of opportunity" for learning and developing that are unique to their specific age group. God designed a child's brain to grow more during these first few years than at any other time and patterns are developed in these formative years that will affect the child's growth and development forever. Our Preschool program is designed to meet each student's unique developmental needs by offering a stimulating hands-on approach to the learning environment and curriculum. This encourages appropriate development for the child's intellectual ability, emotional stability, social competency, and spiritual awareness and maturity.

Program Goals

- Nurture young children into being confident and eager to learn
- Teamwork with parents and respect them as being the primary and most important provider of care
- Create an environment that is responsive to the child's INDIVIDUAL needs
- Provide developmentally appropriate activities to enhance and refine children's learning
- Integrate all areas of learning with a biblical worldview

Curriculum

The Preschool is adapting the Teaching Strategies Creative Curriculum as our new curriculum. This is the same curriculum that the CMS system incorporates into their classrooms. Creative Curriculum is committed to providing a powerful solution that combines curriculum, assessment, professional development, classroom materials, and family engagement to ensure children are set up for success.

Literature- The Creative Curriculum utilizes daily resources focused on language and literacy skill development, and read aloud using their children's book collection from a wide range of genres that explore life in other cultures, celebrate diversity, spark curiosity, and inspire children's imaginations.

Science - Students will engage in science experiences that will allow them to explore, experiment, predict, observe, and communicate ideas and findings using teacher planned and open-ended hands-on science activities.

Handwriting (3-year old's/Pre-K) -The Handwriting Without Tears® This program incorporates child-friendly teaching strategies, such as using music and movement to bring lessons to life, and multisensory manipulatives to build fine and gross motor skills. Our readiness and writing lessons teach body awareness, cooperation, taking turns, listening, crayon grip, drawing, building, letter and number recognition, capital letter and number formation.

Mathematics (Pre-K) -Creative Curriculum includes meaningful discussions and applications to develop the essential mathematical process skills of problem-solving, reasoning, communicating, making connections, and representing. Just like these skills are used by children in their daily lives, we integrate mathematics skill each day in our pre-k curriculum.

Living Saviour Lutheran Preschool is now accepting Enrollment Applications for the Fall ages 12-Kindergarten Prep. The \$150 Enrollment Fee is waived for all LSLC members.

You can find our Enrollment Application on our website www.lslp.webs.com or you can scan the QR code below to access our website.



Congregation Acknowledgements!!

April Anniversaries

04/04 Matt and Becky VanSandt (8)
04/18 Cathy and Kevin Lyall (25)
04/22 Luke and Cindy Quinlan (28)
04/24 Patti and Ed Garrison (30) and
Ken Leeser and Karen Kaufeld (24)

WE NEED ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS!

Open Sundays: April 16, 23, 20, May 7

Please sign up on the Flower Chart in the lobby or The 2023 online donation chart may be found here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CACAC29A6F4C16-2023>

Cost: \$50

April Birthdays

04/02 Jennifer Noonkester
04/03 Laura Schwab
04/06 Chuck Lyle, Cindy Quinlan
04/09 Elisabeth Forster, Andy Williams
04/10 Steve Vick
04/11 Tony Eller
04/12 Anita Mitchell
04/16 Richard Tarr
04/17 Neil Mitchell, Russell Stephens
04/20 Cynthia Karim
04/21 Kristen Haigler
04/22 Eric Greve, Samantha Merritt
04/28 Sara Melosh
04/29 Gregg Mitchell, Jennifer Thompson
04/30 Alina Krantz

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

We are studying the book of Acts & using "Acts Awakening to God in Everyday Life" by Melissa Spoelstra.

We invite anyone to join us even if you don't have the workbook for some lively conversation and a few laughs.

NO CLASS ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 5TH OR APRIL 12TH.

Any questions please contact Janet Mayer.

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!

As part of the joyful celebration of the most significant day in the church year, Easter Day, a special extended instrumental prelude will be offered.

The prelude will begin a 10:15. Please plan to be in your seat by that time to enjoy the music being offered in celebration of Christ's Resurrection.

Church Information!!

Your Offerings:

Contribute directly to the church through the on-line button on the website, using the QR code or by mail to

Living Saviour
6817 Carmel Road
Charlotte NC 28226



Thank you for your generosity.

Vanguard Account

The church has set up an account at Vanguard. If you wish to contribute mutual funds, ETFs or stocks that have an appreciated value, you can contribute these to Living Saviour's Vanguard account. By doing so, you can avoid capital gains taxes. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Avard.

SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM

We are pleased to announce a wonderful opportunity for your child to learn about **God, the Bible, Important People** in the **Bible**, and the **liturgy** of the **Lutheran Church**. Your child will experience lessons in **learning, music, arts and crafts**. This will be led by Cathy Shabla and Russell Hinson.

UPDATED TIMES for Holy Week Services:

Maundy Thursday: April 6, 2023 at **7:00 p.m.**

Good Friday: April 7, 2023 at **7:00 p.m.**

Praying for Possibilities!

03/31-04/07 Indra Persaud and Pat Snodgrass

04/07-04/14 Patricia and John Maisel

04/14-04/21 Traci Anderson and Will Charnock

04/21-04/28 Lillian Stephens and Nancy Mersereau

04/2/-05/05 Sherry Wooldridge and Don Huff



Please pray for the wisdom of the council and call committee during this time.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST ON EASTER MORNING

A continental breakfast will be available on Easter morning before the service (9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.). If you are able to bring a breakfast item, please contact Pat Sipe at 704-724-5608 or through the church office (704-542-3626). Thank you!

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

The 2023 Endowment Committee met on February 21. Jean Dunne was introduced as a new member of the Committee. Officers were elected. Barbara was re-elected as Chair, Steve as Vice-Chair. The Committee has \$9,685 to distribute during 2023. This is the permitted 5% distribution from the endowment account balance as of December 31, 2022. The Fund experienced significant market reductions during 2022 and we hope for some reversal in the coming months.

The Committee received and reviewed three funding requests. These requests were for The Community Table at Bethlehem Lutheran Church (New Orleans), Community Culinary School of Charlotte and Loaves & fishes/Friendship Trays, Inc. The Committee approved grants to these organizations in the following amounts: \$1,250, \$1,250 and \$1,000 respectively.

The Committee's next meeting is scheduled for May 9.

As a reminder, requests for funds from the Endowment may be submitted by congregation members on behalf of organizations or directly by organizations who meet the guidelines. The guidelines and request form are on the church's website with information about grants awarded during the past several years. For more information or questions, please contact Barbara (bj1949@bellsouth.net)

Sunday Coffee!

We are looking to organize Sunday morning Coffee time. To that end, we would like to set up a schedule so we have coffee every Sunday instead of only on random Sundays. Recently George Shabla has been our coffee set up person, but I'm pretty sure he could use a break occasionally. To make it even simpler, let's make providing baked goodies optional. That will make setting up on Sunday quicker and easier. And clean up will be simplified.

Look for a sign up sheet at the coffee table. Sign up for set up, or clean up, OR both. No experience with making coffee is needed. Full, simple instructions are printed on the cabinet just above the coffeemaker and all coffee supplies are on the counter or in the cabinets above. Please consider volunteering in this simple manner to enhance our fellowship time on Sunday mornings. Questions? See Alice Jenkins

Group Activities!!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday, April 11th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will continue having our meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.



This ministry makes prayer shawls for church members and others who are in need of prayer and comfort.

If you knit or crochet and would like to participate in this ministry, please join us or contact Jeanne Davis at jeannedavis88@att.net with questions.

Caring & Sharing Group: Next Meeting April 14th

We encourage you to stay in touch with one another by email, text, phone call or getting together for coffee. A friendly voice or message can really brighten someone's day. For more information, please contact Pat Sipe at psgsipe@gmail.com.

Quilt Ministry News!

Quilt Ministry on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. We will next meet on April 4th. We will be assembling, pinning and tying quilt layers together.

All supplies are here and waiting for volunteers to arrive.

No actual "quilting" is needed for these quilts destined for people in crisis around the world, due to weather, war, famine, etc.





Ministry of Health and Wholeness

April 2023

In Celebration of the Resurrection

Giving the Gift of Life: Organ Donation Month

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." II Corinth 9:6-8



During the month of April, we celebrate the Resurrection that followed after Jesus laid down his life for us, so it seems appropriate that we would also recognize April as Organ Donation Month. Donating organs is a way to follow in the footsteps of Jesus to give the gift of life. For those interested in becoming an organ donor, pick up a copy of the April Newsletter for additional information and/or follow this link to Donate Life North Carolina <https://www.donatelifenc.org/> for all those living in North Carolina. For those living in South Carolina follow this link to Donate Life South Carolina <https://www.donatelifesc.org/> Anyone from newborns to senior citizens can join the organ, eye and tissue donor registry! You can be a donor, even if you have been sick, had cancer in the past or have HIV or Hepatitis C. If you are between 16 and 18, your parents would make the ultimate decision, but you can still have that cute, red heart on your license!

AN INVITATION: The Health and Wholeness Ministry is interested in welcoming additional team members to assist with program planning. Please email healthandwholeness@livingsaviourlc.org or call the church office to identify interest.

LOOKING AHEAD: The Health Ministry Focus in May will be on Skin Cancer Prevention. It is our goal in May to 'resurrect' the Prime Timers Lunches with a Wednesday Lunch and Learn to focus on Skin Cancer Prevention. Begin to clear your calendar to join us on Wednesday, May 17, at 12:00 noon for lunch and a Skin Cancer Prevention Program.

ONGOING OFFERINGS:

Tuesdays beginning October 18, 2022 at 10:30 AM –STEPS to Wellbeing

Develop a practice described by Jesus in the Beatitudes, modeled in his ministry, practiced by the early church, developed by Native Americans, and most recently promoted by the 12 Steps of AA—a practice that guarantees a life abundant in the Fruit of the Spirit.. A brochure can be picked up from the tea cart. All are welcome.

Thursdays at 11:00 AM Chair Yoga- This has become a cherished physical exercise activity at the intersection of faith and health. You are invited to join this delightful group of people in support of health and wellbeing. All are welcome.

Saturdays at 10:00 AM Aerobic Exercise – Another delightful exercise group with an excellent opportunity to get that heart rate up, build some muscle strength and receive supportive meaningful coaching from a talented instructor.

Summary of 19 March 2023 Council Meeting

The March 2023 council meeting was held on the third Sunday in March and all members of council were present for the meeting.

The Shabla Gift Fund task force has received a quote for repairs to the sanctuary walls behind the choir. There is damage to the ceiling in that area from a leak and the task force is in the process of getting a quote for those repairs as well. All the projects that the task force received permission from the council to go forth with should be finished soon and should be well within budget. Permits for a new electronic sign are in progress and the task force is working with contractors about the sign's design and receiving quotes about the cost.

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Council received a request from Moss Hathcock that half of the money in the C.D. Hathcock Memorial Fund be transferred to Living Saviour Preschool. The council approved that request.

Based on the call process questionnaire, youth are a high priority to the congregation so council needs to begin working on both providing programs for our youth as well as finding ways to get children still on our membership rolls back to attending church. We should also meet with new families and see what they would like us to provide for their children.

The call process is moving along. The MSP is nearing completion and once complete, it will be sent to council for approval. Once approved, the call committee can begin its training.

Council approved the request of the craft fair group to have our annual Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday December 2, 2023.

Council approved having a continental breakfast on Easter Sunday from 9:00 AM to 10:15 AM.

The April council meeting will be on the fourth Sunday, April 23, so that Pastor Charlie Zimmerman can attend.

APRIL 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 10:00 a.m. Exercise Opportunities
2 Palm Sunday 9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Children/Youth Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Live Streamed	3	4 10:00 a.m. 12-Step Discussion Group 10:00 a.m. Quilt Ministry	5 6:00 p.m. Alleluia Ringers bell choir practice 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	6 11:00 a.m. Chair Yoga 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service	7 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service	8 10:00 a.m. Exercise Opportunities
9 Easter Day 9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Children/Youth Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Live Streamed	10 Easter Monday Church Office Closed	11 10:00 a.m. 12-Step Discussion Group 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry	12 Ringers bell choir practice 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	13 11:00 a.m. Chair Yoga 6:15 p.m. Gathering@theTable	14 10:00 a.m. Caring and Sharing	15 10:00 a.m. Exercise Opportunities
16 9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Children/Youth Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Live Monthly Council meeting	17	18 10:00 a.m. 12-Step Discussion Group	19 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Alleluia Ringers bell choir practice 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	20 11:00 a.m. Chair Yoga 6:15 p.m. Gathering@theTable	21	22 10:00 a.m. Exercise Opportunities
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