

2007 November



Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:18

October had many highlights: It was great seeing so many Daddies and special guests attend the *Dad's Night!* What a blessing to see Dad take time to enjoy their children. It was also a highlight having firefighters visit 4 of our classes and talk to us about fire safety.

Another big thank you goes to the chaperones to *Powder Valley Nature Center*, our first Pre-Kindergarten field trips of the year. We truly cherish our volunteer parents since many of these activities would not be possible without you! (We learned a lot and it was even fun in the rain!!!)

Thanks also to all who helped plan, participate, or sent in supplies for our *Pumpkin Parties!* Hopefully, besides the fun, the children will hold in their heart the promise that Jesus is always with them.

We welcome the many students who have joined our Children's Day Out classes in the last month. We are happy to have you in the Abiding Savior family!!

And now, November, at a glance.....

Jesus Time: God cares for us and generously provides us with what we need. We can share His love by sharing with others in need. All of our Early Childhood classes will take part in a food drive for the Feed My People care organization. Your child can bring in can or box foods if you wish to share. We'll also thank Him for the gift of friendship and explore that blessing.



Foods : We'll talk about different types of food and how our bodies need good nutrition. Please help emphasize at home the difference between healthy foods and the snacks that are just "extras" for now & then. We will set up our own Grocery Stores in the Preschool and Pre-K classrooms. The Pre-K "Body Buddies" will help us practice good table manners and practice friendship skills.

Field Trips: Preschool classes will visit *The Magic House* on Thursday, November 8. Morning and afternoon Preschool classes will all meet at 8:30. Early Bird, Lunch Bunch and Preschool Plus will still be open.

Pre-Kindergarten classes will get a behind-the-scenes look at *Schnucks*. The afternoon class will walk over on Wednesday, November 7. The morning classes will go on Friday, November 9.

Thanksgiving Feasts: Our unit on the first Thanksgiving will conclude by having our own mini "feasts" during regular Preschool and Pre-K class periods on Nov. 19 & 20.



**Abiding Savior Lutheran
Early Childhood Ministry**

School News: If you are interested in getting a peek at what is happening in Kindergarten through 8th grade, please pick up a bi-monthly school newsletter in the Tell-Us Trellis. Mrs. Montgomery, our principal, is also happy to answer any questions you may have!

Everyone is welcome at Abiding Savior! Thanksgiving worship services: Wednesday, Nov. 21 at 7 p.m. & Thursday, Nov. 22 at 10. Family feast & family photos, too! abidingsaviorlutheran.org



Church Anniversary Cookbook: In 2008, Abiding Savior Lutheran Church will celebrate its 25th anniversary. As part of the celebration, a recipe cookbook of favorite recipes is being completed. YOUR recipes are needed to make this a success! All Early Childhood families are encouraged to type or clearly print your favorite recipes. Please include your name. Give it to your child's teacher or e-mail it to jenlmcburney@hotmail.com by Thanksgiving. Thanks you for helping us bring glory to God through this church cookbook! (Anticipated release date for the cookbooks: May 08)

Developmental Screenings will be offered at our school in the first week after Thanksgiving. Mehlville school district will send a team to conduct Dial-3 screenings to students in Preschool and Pre-K. Results will be shared briefly with parents immediately after the screenings. (Watch for a schedule to be sent home.) The teachers will also discuss the results with you at our January Parent/Teacher Consultations. *We recommend these screenings!*

Playground Update!!!! The next phase of our Early Childhood Playground expansion is to purchase and install the second phase of our climber. This has been professionally designed for our age children and for our space. The goal is to install it in early spring. Check out the posters in the hallway. Pretty cool!!

We will be having a Poinsettia Sale this month. ALL THE PROFITS will go directly to our playground project!! Fliers are being sent home with order information. Orders will be taken throughout November and the poinsettias will be delivered the first week of December – great for gifts or decorating! (You may also choose to donate a plant to Abiding Savior's church altar for Christmas worship services.)

Jacket Season is here! We still hope to take the children outside everyday for fresh air and exercise. Please send a jacket/coat for your child (and we greatly appreciate name labels in all outer clothing!) Mittens and hats may be needed, too!

End rolls of Paper: If any of you have access to "end rolls" of newsprint at your place of work, we would be interested in acquiring some. We use these rolls of paper for all sorts of projects and our supply is low. Thanks!

OUR SNACK PRAYER FOR NOVEMBER:

"Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever." (Psalm 106: 1)

Looking Ahead:

All of November: Food donations for *Feed My People*

Thursday morning, November 8: FIELD TRIP to Magic House for Preschool classes

Friday, November 7 & 9: FIELD TRIPS to Schnucks for Pre-Kindergarten classes

November 21-23: NO SCHOOL (due to Thanksgiving break)

November 27, 30 & December 3: Developmental Screenings

Wed, Dec. 19, 7:00 P.M.: Preschool & Pre-K children help lead the Christmas worship service!

Thanksgiving Blessings to each of your families!