

THE CHRIST CHILD IS BORN!

First Presbyterian
Preschool
Mesa, AZ

December 1, 2020



ALLELUIA!

December 2020

In the city of David

He came to humble parents who were seeking to do God's will. He brought nations together to adore Him. He comes to each one of us bearing the gift of eternal life. He is our Savior, Jesus! We celebrate the birth of Jesus, the life of Jesus, the love of Jesus this month and all year long. It's not about huge parties or how many gifts are under the tree. The true spirit of Christmas means living each moment of our lives like little children – loving each experience and finding delight in the little things with family. Take some time this holiday season to enjoy the gifts that you *already* have received because Jesus has come to us. YOU are your child's first teacher. Let's give them the gift of knowing who He is.

Merry Christmas!



Little Helpers:

The Christmas season is the perfect time to let your little one help with special holiday gifts. Children love to make cookies or baked goods and help wrap gifts. Now is the perfect time to teach them those new skills! It will make this gift giving season that much more fun. Enjoy this special time together!

Special Christmas Program

Each year we plan special songs to celebrate the Christmas Spirit for all of the parents and families to see! Please join us on **Thursday, December 17, at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall.** The program will last about 30 minutes with refreshments to follow. Plan to bring your family & your camera. There is sure to be a few photo opportunities you won't want to miss! All who attend must wear a face mask for the duration of the time on campus and during the show. Watch your mailbox for your official invite.

Announcement: Santa is pretty busy this time of year but... "Stories with Mrs Claus" is sure to be a highlight of this Christmas season... So, plan to bring your little angel on **Thursday, December 10th** when Mrs Claus will read Christmas Stories during class at 10am.

Sorry, no outside visitors for this event.

Who loves Pajama Day? The kids will LOVE coming to school in their pajamas! On their last day before break or Friday, 12/18 we celebrate in warm style! You pick the date!

Ever thought about helping in the community? The First Presbyterian Preschool Board is looking for one more parent representative to join this elite group. The board meets about 3-4 times a year to make decisions for the direction of the preschool. Please let Ms Shiloh know if you are interested and would like more information.

This Month's Volunteer Opportunity

Christmas Program Helpers:

Would you be interested in helping set up the Christmas cookies and milk for our refreshments on Thursday, December 17th before the program begins? We would love your help!

Reminders to families

If you need to make a payment or inform the office of any changes in your schedule or personal contact information, please leave those in the preschool mailbox hanging outside of the office door.

- Please **pick up your child on time** at their scheduled time. The teachers need to prepare their classrooms for the next day but only have 30 minutes to do that after pickup time. Remember, there is a **late pickup fee of \$15 for every 15 minutes** you are late. Thank you!
- Please **bring your child in a jacket** every day and mark their jackets with their name.

Special Visitors coming! January is a fun month to talk about different kinds of Transportation and Community Helpers. We will be welcoming special visitors to tell us more about their profession like the fire department. More information to come...

School Closures

1. Christmas Holiday,
Dec 21-January 1
School resumes on January 3rd
2. January 20st - Closed



Daily Support for your Preschooler

Monday

Allow your preschooler to decorate the Christmas tree with you.

Tuesday

Write personal Holiday cards as a family. Have each member sign their own name and send them out early this year.

Wednesday

Ask where your child would choose to go for a dream vacation and why.

Thursday

Make homemade playdough and spend time playing together

Friday

Let them feed the animals once a day/week.

A special Thank You goes out to those families for being such great advocates of our preschool and for helping to keep us all healthy and safe with our recent COVID19 exposure.

Donation requests:

- Christmas stickers
- White card stock
- Old Newspapers (for art)
- Paper towels

Heart full of Love

So far, this school year has been filled with great joy and exciting new adventures for our preschool children. I feel very blessed to be a part of this Preschool. My heart is full and I feel appreciation for the families that we serve. I also want to say how special it is to work with these women after Christ's heart. They make my everyday experiences so rich and satisfying! Finally, may your family be abundantly blessed this Christmas season knowing that Jesus Christ is born!

Sincerely ~ Shiloh Murillo - Director
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