

## Dear Parent,

Welcome to Nativity Lutheran Church and Preschool! The fall of 2025 our preschool celebrates 60 years of serving the community. We are just as excited about this coming year as we were for the first back in 1965! We are truly blessed to be a part of nurturing your child's education and social development. As a dad of four daughters (24, 21, 19, 13), I am well aware of how important it is to know your child is in good care when not in yours. I personally look forward to being a loving, positive presence in your child's life.

As pastor of Nativity it is important to me that your child's education includes daily elements of the Christian faith. At 8:45AM everyone gathers in the sanctuary for our daily opening to sing good morning, recite the pledge, and prayerfully welcome Jesus into our day. At the same time on Wednesdays, we have Quickie Chapel. If you are able, we would love for you to join your child for our 20-25 minute long Quickie Chapel. It is a great way to start the day alongside your child! At Quickie Chapel, we take a story from the bible, and interact with it in song, dance and video. Sing and dance as much, or as little as you like. No judgment here! At chapel your child will also learn the Five Respects (Respect God, Respect Yourself, Respect Others, Respect Things, and Respect Creation). Our daily life fosters an atmosphere of respect for all Christian and Non-Christian faith traditions alike.

I would be remiss not to share with you what our 9AM Sunday service looks and sounds like. Our current form of worship is relaxed, but still reverent. "Traditional", but not outdated. "New", but not trendy driven. You will hear piano 99% of the time, and the organ the other 1%. We recite the Apostles Creed, celebrate the Lord's Supper, and pray His prayer every week. During service we have Children's Church for your preschooler through 4th grade child. Upon arriving at church, you can drop your child off at the first classroom where they remain for the entire church service with a background screened adult and middle school youth helper. While your child is in Children's Church, you can be centered in a biblically based-life relevant message. I hope to see you on an upcoming Sunday!

On the front steps of the church is Nativity's mission statement. It reads, "Celebrating God's Love and Transforming Lives through Worship, Education, Fellowship and Service." By the love of God we strive to be a faithful part of forming your child into a person who loves God, loves God's people and seeks to serve the greater good of God's creation. Each day as you drop off your child and climb the steps, may that be a reminder of our mission to you and your young family.

If I can be of service to you and your family, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Being a parent in this day and age is challenging, and we can use all the help we can get. Nativity is here for you.

In God's Peace,

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