TRINITY UCC PRESCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

We have welcomed so many smiling, eager faces this past month and can’t thank you enough for preparing your children each day for preschool! We are off to a great start at Trinity Preschool! Don’t forget to follow us on facebook for a look inside our school day. Here is a Sneak Peek into October…

**October is fire prevention month**. At Trinity the children will have a visit from a fire fighter and fire truck from the East Petersburg Fire Company. The children will be learning about fire safety in their classrooms. We are also going to introduce the concept of a fire drill to the children so that they can practice leaving the building quickly and safely. This is also a good time to talk about fire safety in your home. Talk about a safe meeting spot away from your house and streets.

Halloween Parade for Tiny Tot and 2 Day-Thursday, October 30th. Please have your child dressed in their costume (please do not send in wands/swords…,). Please Park in a parking spot then proceed to the drop off circle and stand in the grass around the tree to see our parade. We will walk out of the lower doors as close to the drop off time as possible.

Halloween Parade for 3 Day and 4 Day-Friday, October 31st. Please have your child dressed in their costume (please do not send in wands/swords…,) Please return at 11:15 and park in a parking spot then proceed to the drop off circle to see our parade. After we are finished you can take your child home. Please look for details in your teacher’s weekly newsletter.

**FUNDRAISER – ORDER YOUR THANKSGIVING PIES!** We will be selling the popular Bird-in-Hand Bakery pies. The proceeds will be used to update our preschool equipment and curriculum. **WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOU** **TAKING** **ORDERS** **FROM** **YOUR** **NEIGHBORS**, **CO-WORKERS**, **FAMILY**, **AND FRIENDS**. Order forms will be sent home October 16/17. All orders are due **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31st.** Pie orders are picked up at the church on **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14th between 10:30-11:45 A.M.** Payment is expected prior to or at the time of pick-up. Make checks payable to: Trinity U.C.C. Preschool. These pies can be frozen and used at holiday time. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

## ENRICHMENT CLASS:

Enrichment class begins this month, WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1st and runs through the end of the school year! We have room for a few more students. If your 3-day or 4-day child could benefit from this adventure-filled, STEAM oriented afternoon, please email Ms. Amy, preschool@trinityeastpete.org. Enrichment class students pack lunch and eat with the teachers before enrichment activities begin. The class ends at 2:00 every Wednesday. The cost is $480, see tuition form for payment details.

# **Preschool Connect LogoKindergarteners Fall 2026** The Preschool Connections Club at Hempfield School District wants to connect with you!“Preschool Connections Club is an organization for any preschool-aged child who will be attending Hempfield School District for the 2026-2027 school year.  Preschool Connections aides in the transition from preschool to kindergarten, so our hope is that incoming students will attend Preschool Connections Club with their parent/guardian/caregiver at their future school building of attendance. If you are interested in signing your child up for preschool connections. Please go to the below link and select the elementary school your child will be attending for the 2026-2027 school year and rsvp. https://www.hempfieldsd.org/academics/preschool-connections-club

**HELPFUL HINTS:**

***SICKNESS:*** If your child is not feeling well, please keep them home. If your child has a fever, please be sure that they are **fever free for 24 hours** (without medication) before returning to school.

***WEATHER CHANGES*:** Please send your child dressed appropriately for outdoor play. We will plan to take the children outside as much as possible so please plan accordingly.

***LABELS*** – help us by making sure backpacks, and outerwear have your child’s name prominently written on them.

***BELTS, BUCKLES, ETC****.* – to facilitate independence in the bathroom, please avoid having the children wear clothing that they cannot manage by themselves.

***COATS*** – encourage the children to put their coats on by themselves or do as much as they can. It is important for children to do simple tasks whenever possible.

***A REMINDER:*** If your child will be absent or needs to leave early, please let your teacher/director know **in writing**. Please check in with Ms. Carol, at the front entrance, for an early pick up (or late drop off). If someone else will be picking up your child, **please notify your teacher/director in writing!** Please make sure they have their car seat as well and keep those name placards visible.

**BUILDING ACCESS POLICY**

To ensure the safety of our children at school, the doors will be locked during the school day. If you would need to enter the building at other times during the school day, please use the doorbell at the front entrance of our building. The church secretary or staff member will let you in at this entrance.

# **SPECIAL DATES**

Wednesday, October 1 - First Day of Enrichment, (11:30 a.m. –2p.m.)

Monday, October 13 - **NO SCHOOL**, Columbus Day

Wednesday, October 15- **TUITION DUE**

Saturday, October 25th – Trunk-Or-Treat, Trinity UCC Preschool parking lot 4-6

Thursday, October 16-Pie Fundraiser Begins

Thursday, October 30th (TTand2Day) Friday, October 31st(3Dayand4Day)-Halloween Parade

**CLASS HAPPENINGS:**

**4-DAY CLASS** (4dayclass@trinityeastpete.org) Ms. Crystal, Ms. Monica and Mrs. Cox

4day is in full swing! We’ll start the month exploring community helpers and practice fire safety~ including a special fire truck visit! Mid-month we’ll discover the world of nocturnal animals and learn what makes them unique! Toward the end of the month, we’ll celebrate fall with all things pumpkins and some festive Halloween fun!

**3-DAY CLASS** (3dayclass@trinityeastpete.org) Ms. Ely, Ms. Ashley

Get ready for a month full of Halloween fun, sensory activities, and all things pumpkins! We'll be exploring the sights, sounds, and textures of fall through hands-on play and themed learning. This month, we're focusing on the letters **O** and **P**—perfect for October and pumpkins!

**2-DAY CLASS** (2dayclass@trinityeastpete.org) Ms. Ely, Ms. Ashley

We’ve got thrilling days packed with Halloween excitement! Kids will creep and crawl into fun with spider-themed activities, costume games, and a special visit from a fire truck. Plus, we'll dive into seasonal sensory play that’s perfect for curious hands. It’s going to be a frightfully fun time!

**TINY TOTS CLASS** (Tinytotsclass@trinityeastpete.org) Ms. Crystal, Mrs. Cox

This month we’ll be creeping and crawling with spiders, spotting squares all around and enjoying a special fire truck visit. We’ll explore autumn leaves, search high and low on our pumpkin hunt and finish the month with a fun Halloween parade! What a magical fall adventure it will be!

**ENRICHMENT** This month we start the Enrichment class. It will be STEAM based (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) with experiments, problem solving, and hands-on experiences! This class can get a little messy as we work on projects for our Art Show later in the year. We can’t wait to see the unique ways they explore and express themselves!