



ILS Connections

~a place to keep families, staff, and the church congregation connected

November 2024

Director's Corner- We are approaching that very busy and stressful holiday season! It's a time filled with special programs, recitals, family gatherings, holiday parties, shopping, etc. How can we bond together as a family during this hectic time? I hope these suggestions bless you and provide some needed stability during the chaos of the holidays!

1. Set aside time to have a family devotion once a week. Talk about what Thanksgiving means, or All Saints Day, Veteran's Day, and Christmas. Take time to pray about what these holidays mean together as Christians.
2. Do holiday activities as a close-knit family together. Many families make meals together or bake and decorate cookies, play holiday games and even decorate the home together. Encourage your children to do so with you.
3. Attend church during the holidays. It's often a time people neglect church but your presence in God's house will greatly affect how your child views this time as a Christian and will help prevent a materialistic worldview of the holidays, which is often what is pushed upon families the most.
4. Focus on faith-based movies, if possible. I highly recommend classics that have Christian values built in such as *Miracle on 34th Street* or *It's a Wonderful Life*. Some Christmas movies do not explicitly mention Christ and yet share biblical worldviews such as *The Grinch* (proof that community and faith are all you need for a wonderful holiday season).
5. If you have a child 3 years and above, you might be shocked to know they might be capable of helping you volunteer somewhere during this time, especially if the non-profit is aware young children are coming. Local organizations encourage children to be service-driven. Many churches, non-profits and nursing homes are desperate for volunteers. Allow your child to see the fruits of being a blessing!

~Mrs. S.



From our Yellow Room: October flew by! We talked about fall leaves, pumpkins, fire safety and so many fall items. We had a great first field trip to Hog Wallow Pumpkin Patch. But, the month November is going to be just as fun and even busier. We will be celebrating Veteran's Day by performing a concert for our veterans. We will also learn 3 new letters, a new shape and color and the number 3. We will end the month learning about Thanksgiving and what it means to be thankful. We are so thankful for our school. Wishing you all a Happy Thanksgiving!!

-Mrs. Hammer

From our Green Room: In our Pre-K class we enjoyed our first field trip to the pumpkin patch! This month we have focused on a few more letters and have reviewed ones that we have already discussed so far this year. We have also focused on the number 5, the shape triangle, and the color orange. We are looking forward to the end of this month's Halloween Parade and Party. Soon, we will have our first school program of the year. We look forward to seeing many of our family and friends there as we remember and honor all our Veterans! -Ms. Wiese





From our Red Room: Our 2s class is enjoying fall! We've talked about leaves and buckeyes and pumpkins. They were mostly all brave enough to touch the pumpkin "goop" and really enjoyed the jack o lantern. We also reviewed shapes and colors and honored our community helpers. As seasons change we look forward to thanking Veterans and learning to be thankful. **-Mrs. Lasher**

From our Purple Room: October seemed to pass in the blink of an eye, and now we are moving into November. This month brings us to Veteran's Day. We will be learning about the bravery and importance of our veterans, and then we will perform a special concert to honor our heroes! Our monthly focuses for November will be: color- brown, shape- rectangle, number- 3, letters- I,J,K. We will end the month talking about what it means to be thankful and then celebrating Thanksgiving with our families.

-Mrs. Showers

From our Blue Room: How is it already November?! We had so much fun in October! This month we learned about all things fall. Leaves, pumpkins, apples, and ended the month with celebrating Halloween. We are looking forward to our Halloween party! We also learned our color of the month, Orange and our number of the month, 2. In Jesus time, we learned about baby Moses, Joshua and the Battle of Jericho and much more! We also celebrated some birthdays this month. In November, we will be learning about Veterans' Day, Turkeys and Thanksgiving. We will also be learning about the color Brown and the number 3. In Jesus time, we will be learning about Daniel and the Lions, the fiery furnace and Thanksgiving. Hope everyone is having a great Fall!!
-Miss Kirsten



Bible Verse of the Month:

Above all, love each other deeply because love covers a multitude of sins.

1 Peter 4:8



Upcoming Events at ILS:

**November 6th, 6:30pm,
Veteran's Day Program**

**November 11th, Happy
Veteran's Day (No School)**

**November 27-29-Happy
Thanksgiving (No School)**



We have several fundraisers coming up so be on the lookout for opportunities to serve ILS! We have t-shirts and sweatshirts for sale, a restaurant night, and our poinsettias! Next month we will host our annual Christmas Shoppe. Thank you for your ongoing support of ILS. We are truly blessed!