

# St. Andrew's Newsletter      December 2025

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## COMING SOON....

Registration for the 2026–2027 School Year will be mailed in January.

Classes are filled first-come, first-served. Applications can be mailed, dropped off during morning drop-off, or placed in the black mailbox by the front door.

### Deadlines:

Church Members: January 23

Currently Enrolled Children: January 27

Public Enrollment: January 30

## Upcoming Events:

- Dec. 1 & Dec. 2: Pastor Mueller & Mrs. K. visit
- Dec. 12: New & Gently Used Toy Collection ends
- Dec. 12: New Mittens, Gloves, & Hats Collection ends
- Dec. 15: Christmas Show- 4A & 4B
- Dec. 16 & 17: Christmas Parties
- Dec. 18—Jan.2: **School Closed**
- Dec. 24: St. Andrew's Christmas Eve Family Service at 4:00 PM  
– All families are invited.
- Dec. 25: Christmas Day
- Jan. 5: Classes resume.



## THANK YOU TO...

Everyone who took part in the Adopt-a-Spot program! Here are just some of the many ways our students collected quarters:

- Set the table for dinner
- Sorted laundry
- Picked up toys and put them away
- Dusted lower furniture
- Put clothes in the hamper
- Helped make the beds
- Helped feed the dog
- Unloaded the dishwasher
- Make coffee
- Helped take the dog on walks
- Helped take the dog to the vet
- Helped clean the house
- Cleanup the playroom
- Helped cook dinner
- Put away dishes
- Helped with Baby
- Took pictures of party
- Wiped the table after lunch

We collected \$121.00 which will be sent to the Philadelphia Zoo. Thank you for your generosity!

# St. Andrew's Nursery School SEASON OF GIVING

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> until Dec 12<sup>th</sup>

Help spread joy and love this holiday season.

### New & Gently Used Toy Collection

**What to Bring:**  
New or gently used unwrapped toys, crafts, books and games suitable for ages 0–18.

**How to Donate:**  
Drop off your unwrapped gift(s) in the Nursery School Lobby.

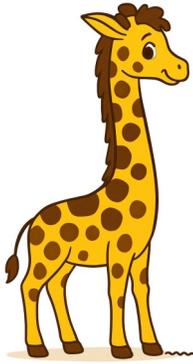
### Mittens, Gloves & Hat Collection

**What to Bring:**  
New mittens, gloves, and/or hats suitable for ages 0–18.

**How to Donate:**  
Place your item(s) on our giving tree, which is located in the Nursery School Lobby.



# St. Andrew's Nursery School



## Teacher Tips .....

Too much screen time can affect a preschooler's brain development.

Excessive use of tablets or TV can lead to delayed language development, shorter attention spans, difficulty focusing, poor impulse

control, and challenges with developing social skills and empathy.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends limiting screen time to one hour per day for children ages 2-5. Ultimately, it's all about finding a healthy balance.

Encourage hands-on play instead—coloring, drawing, peeling stickers, completing puzzles, building with blocks, or spending time outdoors are all wonderful alternatives that support learning and growth.

Dear Families,

As we enter December, our classrooms are buzzing with excitement and the spirit of giving. This is a special month for our preschoolers—a time of wonder, joy, and celebration. Through festive crafts, songs, and sharing stories about family traditions, our children are learning the true meaning of caring and generosity.

We are grateful for the partnership of each of you in nurturing our students' growth. Your support allows us to provide meaningful experiences that help our children flourish academically, socially, and spiritually.

During this season, we encourage families to take time to reflect, share kindness, and create joyful memories together. We look forward to continuing to celebrate the wonder of this season with your children and seeing their bright smiles light up our school.

Wishing you a blessed and joyful December,

Warm regards,

Christie Haelle

If you still need to join, please use the designated code issued to each classroom. Let us know if you have any questions.

- For 3A text @3ased to 81010
- For 3B text @4h9aed to 81010
- For 4A text @eb8h67 to 81010
- For 4B text @b6e6h7k to 81010



## St. Andrew's Lutheran Church – Christmas Eve

2:00 PM – Afternoon Worship  
Includes a brief Children's Message



3:30 PM – Holy Communion (Hospitality Room)  
Cookies, tea, and hot chocolate served between 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM

4:00 PM – Family Worship  
Features a special presentation for children & glow stick candle lighting

7:00 PM – Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion  
Includes special music from our choirs, soloists, and instrumentalists

## Safety First

- Shoes: Sneakers or rubber-soled tie shoes are best for safe play. Please no flip-flops or Crocs.
- Cell Phones: Keep your phone on after drop-off in case we need to reach you.
- Supervision: Please watch children in the parking lot and grassy areas before and after class.
- Cars: Never leave a child unattended in a vehicle. If you need help at dismissal, let us know—we're happy to assist.

Thank you for helping us keep all children safe!