

# Northville First Care December Newsletter

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## A Note from the Director

December is my favorite month. Here at the center there is so much excitement. The children are learning about baby Jesus and all the traditions of Christmas. We will share many wonderful songs, stories and finger plays. Hopefully you will join us for our Christmas Pageant on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> to see the children perform. If you haven't already, please let your child's teacher know whether or not you will be coming to the festivities.

Wishing you a blessed Christmas and holiday season.

--Julie

### Center Reminders:

Many families will be taking holiday breaks, extended vacations and trips to see families and friends this month. Please try to remember to let your child's teacher know if you will be gone. Often times we can then allow some staff to go and spend time with their families as well. Watch for sign-ups in your child's classroom to let teachers know when your child will attend.

### Christmas Soiree

Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm.

\*Our children will be in their classrooms as the playground is needed for parking at 5 pm.

### School Closings:

When Northville Public Schools are closed by 6:00 am due to dangerous road conditions then Northville First Care is closed. School closings can be found online, on local news stations and on the radio. We also send out emails and Facebook messages as soon as possible so make sure that the office has an email address on file for your family. You can join the Northville First Care group by searching for us on Facebook (we are a closed, private group with crayons as our profile picture.) Send a request to join so that you can chat with other First Care parents and receive reminders about events and school closings.

## Outdoor Play Policy

Our children play outside each day when the temperature and wind chill are above 0°F. With your help your child will stay warm and have lots of fun while playing outside. Remember to label hats, gloves, snow pants/suits, coats and boots. Gloves should also be water resistant; knitted gloves can get very wet and make little hands very cold. Also consider providing two pairs of gloves for your child to guarantee dry gear.

### Dates to Remember

Friday, December 9: NFC Christmas Pageant, 6:30 pm

Monday, December 26, 2016-  
Monday, January 2, 2017: Center Closed

### December Birthdays

Gabrielle P. 12/1

Jacob V. 12/7

Mila A. 12/8

Nicholas C. 12/12

Yi Ping C. 12/17

Delaney B. 12/18

Julia S. 12/29

## Church Happenings

**The Night of a Thousand Blessings, Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.**

Join us as we prepare plates to be delivered to those in our community who continue to work and serve on Christmas Eve. Contact Sue Craik to RSVP, to volunteer or to donate items for Blessing Bags at [Craik1@aol.com](mailto:Craik1@aol.com).

**Family Christmas Eve Service, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm.**

Every year FUMC offers families a wonderful way to worship together on Christmas Eve. Come hear kids read Christmas Scripture, enjoy a fun retelling of the Christmas story and sing lots of Christmas carols! Every child will receive nativity character headgear (shepherd hats, king crowns and angel halos). As a special treat, Northville First Care teacher Ms. Melissa, her husband Joe and baby Jameson will portray our Holy Family. Please join us for this special Christmas Eve service at 4:00 pm. Come early - it's a popular way to celebrate the blessings of the season!

## Northville First Care Staff

*Give thanks this season to our wonderful teachers who work hard to provide a fun, enriching education topped with understanding, compassion and genuine love.*

Infants

Ms. Melissa  
Mr. Dave  
Ms. Jennifer  
Ms. Margaret  
Ms. Ankita  
Ms. Lauren

Toddlers

Ms. Vicki  
Ms. Afrina  
Ms. Eun hi  
Ms. Mary  
Ms. Nicole

Preschool

Ms. Stephanie  
Ms. Solange  
Ms. Suzanne  
Ms. Maria

Kindergarten Readiness

Ms. Krystn  
Ms. Catrina  
Ms. Raquel  
Ms. Weifen

Administration

Ms. Julie  
Ms. Ruth

Young Toddlers

Ms. Virginia  
Ms. Stephanie  
Ms. Taira  
Ms. Maggie  
Ms. Yi Ping

Early Preschool

Ms. Renee  
Ms. Beth  
Ms. Cassie  
Ms. Kris  
Ms. Lynne

## NFC Christmas Pageant

On Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> we will present our Christmas Pageant. Parents, families and friends will be treated to the story of Christmas, the singing of Christmas carols, and a bell choir performance, all done by children dressed in costumes and their holiday best. All the children of the center are invited to attend. The performance starts at 6:30 pm in the church sanctuary, so please drop your child off at their classroom by 6 pm. Children will later be dismissed youngest to oldest, if you have multiple children in the performance please wait until their class is called to collect them. This will make things less chaotic and small children will be less likely to wander off. After the program you are invited to attend a catered dinner in the fellowship hall. Please purchase dinner tickets from your child's teacher. Ticket prices are as follows: \$13/adult, \$6/child ages 6-12 years, children under 5 and NFC students are free.



*Check out these  
Santa Babies from  
Christmas' Past!*

