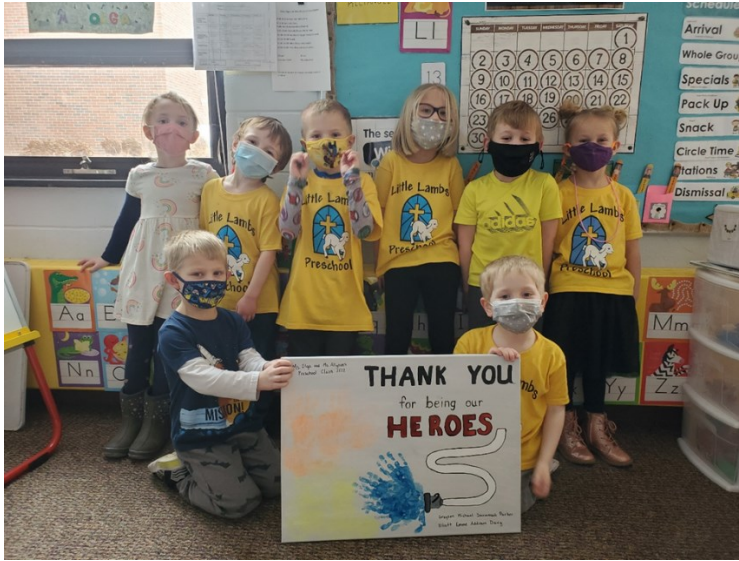


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Little Lambs Celebrates of Lutheran School Week

(Pictures Attached)



Picture #1: Students from one of the four and five year old classes at Little Lambs Preschool (l-r; front row) Savannah Reese, Graysen Molitor, Parker Hill, Addie McIntyre, Elliott Eich Emme Evans, (Front row) Michael Martinez and Davy DeAngelo are shown with one of three thank you canvases that the children created. Canvases were given to our local firemen, health care workers and police as part of the Lutheran Schools Week theme, “Community.”



Picture #2: (l-r) Maksym Carlson, Anastasia Mitchell, Avonlea Campbell, Delilah Bradley, and Eliana Delimba. Children and their families donated toys to Shriners’s Children Hospital as part of Lutheran Schools Week themes “Community” and “Children.”

Little Lambs Preschool of Immanuel Lutheran Church recently joined nationally with over 200,000 individuals in 1,885 schools and a staff of 21,222 teachers in 35 districts to celebrate ***Lutheran Schools Week!***

This year’s theme was “IN ALL THINGS.” Sub-themes included “***Children,***” “***Creation,***”

“Community,” Church,” and “Christ.” Although Covid-19 continues to limit the ability to hold some of the events traditionally held sure the, the week, the school was creative in the activities scheduled January 24-30.

As part of the theme “In all things” the school highlighted how **“Christ”** is “in all things” that we do. As a Lutheran school part of the mission is to help those around us and to live our lives the way Jesus has taught. One of those ways is by giving back to others. Little Lambs chose to give to Shriner’s Children’s Hospital. The children brought items that can be shared with children who are undergoing treatment at the hospital. They picked our a wide variety of items including puzzles, cars, trucks, silly putty and craft kits. They learned more about the children of Shriner’s through one of Little Lambs staff members who has a daughter who received care from Shriners.

For the theme **“Creation”** the children celebrated how Christ “in all things” CREATED everything. The children brought a baby picture of themselves. A bulletin board was created to displayed and celebrate that Christ created us and, “in all things,” is with us.

To celebrate **“Community”** each class created a thank you canvas for local “superheroes” which included firemen, policemen, and health care workers. “In all things” Christ has been with these community heroes through this pandemic. The children learned how, even in the hard times He has been here with everyone. To thank the “Hero’s” each class created a canvas to be delivered.

Chapel Time included a special video recording of member Rita Goodwin sharing the Bible story for the week. The theme of **“Church”** also included Little Lambs children creating a short video singing chapel songs with Pastor Marty. The video was shared during the worship services on Sunday morning. Continuing the theme “In all things,” the children learned that Christ is with us in times of celebration. The children use their voices to praise God and thank Him for “all things” he has done.

Each day at **Little Lambs Preschool** is filled with fun, educational, spiritual activities. There is time for discovery, group work, worship, music, art, academics, motor activities, and snacks. Using the guidelines of the area school districts, classes work on their kindergarten readiness skills.

Little Lambs Preschool is open to all children and their families regardless of religious affiliation, and is licensed by the State of Illinois. Little Lambs was chosen the DeKalb County Finest for 2021 in the category of Preschool. They are affiliated with DeKalb County Coordinated Childcare.

Registration for all 2022 will begin in March. Families are invited to visit on line at www.LittleLambsDeKalb.org or call the office at 815-756-6669 for more information or to schedule a private tour. There are pictures of many of the preschool’s fun and educational activities on the preschool’s Face Book page.