

St. John's  
UMC Church-  
TLC and  
Preschool



# NEWS

## JULY- AUGUST 2010

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DATES TO REMEMBER  
2010

<b>Thursday AUGUST 5</b>	Family FUN NIGHT
<b>NO FALL BREAK</b>	NONE
<b>MONDAY Sept 6</b>	Labor Day School is Closed
<b>September 24, 2010 Friday</b>	Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser/ Family Event

### HELP!!

Still needing  
emergency  
Preparedness  
Bags for Children.

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Anyone interested in having  
us create one for your child  
for the cost of supplies?

See Maggie.



### Life's Transitions-

Today, I have heard of three different tragedies affecting families of the Tot Learning Center and Preschool. I am sending fervent prayers to those families, and ask for you to join in.

There are many other families feeling the stresses of the economic strangulation gripping much of our country. For some families the struggle is taking its toll, and forcing tough choices.

The number of families coming into and out of the Tot Learning Center and Preschool has increased to about five families each month. That is evidence of huge shifts in economics and populations.

We welcome wholeheartedly all of the new families who add so much richness to the texture of our fabric here- the fresh faces, and new giggles bring a new warmth to our community.

We are pleased beyond measure to have all of the families who have called St John's TLC and Preschool "Our Center", with us ongoing. You are North Stars to us- providing stable guidance and light.

However, the goodbyes are getting so much harder. Perhaps it is overly sentimental, but to each family finding themselves pulled away from St. John's Tot Center and Preschool: You will be missed and thought of often. You will be forever remembered with fondness, and you are sent the very best wishes.

Warmly, Maggie and Teachers

### CHECK IT OUT !

#### The New Family Library

Fun stuff to do with children.  
raising spirited children,  
milestones, discipline,  
teaching theories, toy making...

LOCATED IN PRESCHOOL  
HALLWAY.

Please remember to sign  
them out! Feel free to extend  
the collection with your fa-  
vorite parenting books.

Do you know this baby?  
Hint: He's not a baby any more!



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### What is Zwaggle?

It is a system through which you can pass on outgrown clothing toys, materials, sports equipment and other kid-stuff onto families who need it.

It's a Web based idea- But we're doing it in "real time and space" at the Family Fun Night on August 5th.

Zwaggle is a national network of parents who have come together to share. **It's simple:** You receive Zwaggle points (or Zoints) by giving your gently used things to other families, then use those Zoints to obtain "new" things for your family. **Sound financially smart?** **Ecologically responsible?** **Like a fun way to provide**

Thank you to David Tesseo who served on the TLC Working board with deep commitment to all of the children, a level head, and an enthusiastic character.



### Donations..

will be accepted at the  
Family Fun Night Event.

Proceeds will be used  
for Music, Art, Dance,  
and other Programs.  
Please help fund activi-  
ties, and fun science ex-  
periments.





Jo Ellis— long term TLC and Pre-school activist, and Working Board Chairperson had a successful double knee replacement surgery on Monday July 12, 2010.

She is recovering nicely— and we will see her back in a few weeks.

Cards, letters, and children's artwork, can be brought to the office for delivery to her.

<http://www.sfstjohnsumc.org/tlcpreschool.php>

## UPGRADING YOUR

### I-POD and DOCK?

We would really appreciate having a few.

We would like to build a Children's Music Library which can be shared among the classrooms.

**THANKS SO MUCH.**

Remember: that the Church Offices are closed on Fridays. TLC and PRESCHOOL ARE **OPEN.**



To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven.  
Ecclesiastes 3:1

## NEWS FROM PRESCHOOL-

It's COOL.

Thanks to two rather giant portable swamp coolers— the Preschool and Two's rooms are cool.

It's CALM.

The two's room has a fresh bright yellow color— Labor compliments of the Zenn-Tallmon family.

It's COLLECTED.

New books, water play center, manipulatives, nap mats, and other materials and supplies have each room well stocked and supplied for oodles of fun.



Our Hearts and prayers go out to Olivia Lee, who with her family—suffered the loss of Peter Lee on July 22, 2010. Peter was a cheerful, warm, and friendly person, whose love for Olivia shone clearly from his eyes.

He will be missed by all.

## Position Open—

The TLC and Preschool Working Board is looking to expand through additional members. Please send a brief statement of interest with: qualifications, talents, interests, availability, great ideas, and favorite childhood book.

(Just seeing if you're getting all of this)

To: [maggie.tlc@sfstjohnsumc.org](mailto:maggie.tlc@sfstjohnsumc.org)

## PLEASE...

Remember to have the Tuition Check in the drop Box by the 5th of each month— There is a \$35.00 late fee due after the fifth.



## St. John's TLC AND PRESCHOOL

### SUMMER FUN

### FAMILY NIGHT

Thursday

August 5, 2010

5:30-7:30 pm

Q and A- All about St John's TLC and Preschool

Round Table Discussions:

Toilet Training

Discipline

Developmentally Appropriate

Practices

**FUN Activities for Children**

BRING KIDS STUFF- Toys, furniture, and supplies for ZWAGGLING

**POT LUCK DINNER**



## AMAZING SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS

This summer science has taken a new spin. We had a nurse visit with a special black light that showed us how well we washed our hands.

NEXT: Chemical reaction fountain.

Take a look at the cool science measuring containers, test tubes, and goggles on the TLC playground during aftercare.