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Little Lambs Celebrates of Lutheran School Week

(Pictures Attached)











Picture #1: (class in yellow shirts) Students from Little Lambs Preschool prepare to celebrate Lutheran Schools Week January 22 – 29.

Pictures #2- #5 As part of the Lutheran Schools Week celebration, children were able to have a special guest join them at preschool. They had fun in the classroom and then spent time singing songs in chapel. They finished the day by enjoying a brunch that included items that children made and making a keepsake picture frame to take home.

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National Lutheran Schools Week celebrated by Little Lambs Preschool

January 23-29, 2023

Little Lambs Preschool of Immanuel Lutheran Church recently joined nationally with over 180,000 individuals in 1,854 schools and a staff of 21,312 teachers in 35 districts to celebrate *Lutheran Schools Week*.

Lutheran Schools Week was a weeklong celebration that focuses on the importance of education in a loving Christian environment for children and their families.

The theme this year was "Making Disciples for Life." This theme was based on the Great Commission in the book of Matthew chapter 28:19-20, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them everything I have commanded you and surely I will be with you always to the very end of the age."

The week began by celebrating the diversity of cultures that make up the body of Christ. Each family was invited to send a card explaining the reason they choose their child's name and the importance of their name. The cards, along with a photo of the child are displayed on a bulletin board at the school. This reminds us that God calls us by name and loves us all.

Wednesday & Thursday were to celebrate friends and families. Each child could invite a special guest to share the joy worship brings and show how spending time in God's word enriches our life — especially when we share it with those we love. The children made treats to share with their guests at brunch. They also spent time in the classroom, attended chapel together and made a keepsake photo frame together.

As part of the theme "Disciples for Life" the school highlighted how we serve in the community for life in all that we do. As a Lutheran school part of the mission is to help those around us and to live our lives by giving back to others. Each year the school picks a service project to collect items for a need in the local community. This year TAILS Humane Society was chosen as an organization with whom the children can identify. Families brought in items to be delivered to TAILS.

The week concluded with the theme **Disciples of the Church.** The children created a video to be shown during worship on Sunday, January 29. The video shows the Little Lambs during the weekly chapel, singing some of their favorite songs.

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 2022 in the category of Preschool. They are affiliated with DeKalb County Coordinated Childcare.

Registration for fall 2023 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 Little Lambs Preschool Facebook page.

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