



# TRINITY NURSERY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

“GROWING LITTLE DISCIPLES IN CHRIST”

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As the season of Advent begins, everyone is busy preparing for Jesus' Birthday. At home, at work, at school take the time to enjoy the true meaning of the season. All of us at TNS wish you an Advent season filled with preparation for a Blessed Christmas.

*Brenda Jensen*

**ADVENT** is the season of preparation celebrated the four weeks prior to Christmas. The word Advent means “to come”. Although Advent traditions vary, the reason for observing Advent remains the same: to prepare our hearts for welcoming God’s gift of light and love, his son Jesus.

**PROPHECY CANDLE:** Our journey through Advent begins by *watching, waiting* and *preparing* for the Christ Child and the *hope* that He brings for the kind of world we all want to live in. *Listen!*

**BETHLEHEM CANDLE:** Celebrate with *joy* the love that God has for each of us. We search for ways to express our joy as we move forward with *anticipation* to the birth of the Christ Child. We journey toward the manger the joyful celebration. *Prepare! Get Ready!*

**SHEPHERD’S CANDLE:** This week we will strive to reach out to others in *love*. This week we will receive and *give love faithfully* to all of God’s people we can. *Behold! To see! Everyone is welcome!*

**ANGELS’ CANDLE:** In the last week before the blessed event we search our hearts and pray for *peace. Rejoice! Proclaim peace and joy!*

**CHRIST CANDLE:** Our Advent journey ends at the manger of the Christ Child, the *Prince of Peace*. Our journey asks us to think of all of the places in our lives, our families, our congregations, our community and in our world where we truly need the Prince of Peace.

## ANGELS AMONG US

Our Angels Among Us school service project has begun and will continue through December 17. The collection jar is on the table in the Big Room or children will be able to put their contributions in the jar during Praise and Worship Time during the next 3 weeks. Teachers will collect envelopes and return them to the students to put in the jar.



**Be a Part of Something Big!**  
Please keep collecting pennies for the rainforest. We will resume this project in January. How many leaves does our tree have?



# Thank You!!!

For participating in Parent Teacher conferences. If you have not met with your child's teacher yet, take time to schedule a meeting soon. Remember, your teacher or Mrs. Jensen are always available to discuss any concerns that you have.

## SCRIP Dollars Christmas Blitz

The Christmas Blitz is in full swing. The original goal was \$200,000 in sales for 2011. We have about \$40,000 to go. Thanks to everyone! I am excited to see what the final sales are.

SCRIP sales will continue through December 21<sup>st</sup>. Please make all special orders before December 11<sup>th</sup> to have delivery before Christmas. After the 21<sup>st</sup>, call Brenda at 451-4280 for last minute gifts.



**Make it a Habit!**  
Stop at TNS before you shop!

## WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY

TNS will not hold classes if the Owatonna Public Schools are cancelled due to poor weather conditions. Listen to KRFO, 1390 AM or KOWZ, 100.9 FM for information about closings. There will NOT be morning classes if there is a 2-hour weather-related late start at the public schools.

REMEMBER—There will be no nursery school  
December 22 -  
January 4. Classes will resume on  
Thursday, Jan. 5.

Merry Christmas and  
A Happy New Year  
from Trinity Nursery  
School Staff and  
Board.

