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Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel - Phil 1:27

For the Lord  
is good and  
his love  
endures  
forever; his  
faithfulness  
continues  
through all  
generations.  
Psalm 100:5

St. Matthews Children's Education Committee is excited to announce the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Trunk or Treat Celebration! This multi-generational, family friendly event will take place at the church on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

This will be a community event and welcome all to come and join in on the fun. The main event of this celebration is, of course, "Trunk or Treating." Beginning at 2:30pm, those wishing to pass out treats can park their cars in the lot below the Christian Ed wing, set up chairs, open up their trunks (feel free to decorate them!) and fellowship with one another. Once all treat givers have arrived, we will block off the parking lot at both ends to ensure the safety of our "trunk or treaters". At 3pm we will begin welcoming children and families, they will be given a treat bag and may begin "trunk or treating." Trunk or Treating will last for one hour, but the fun doesn't stop there. Gourd painting, cookie decorating and other fun activities await in the Parish Hall, and a pizza dinner will also be served! Prizes for the silliest and most original costume will be given out (for children AND adults).

Halloween traditions have throughout the years taken on scary, gory, and bizarre tones. In an effort to keep the focus of "All Hallows Eve" on Christ as well as those saints who lived their lives for Him, we wish to offer an alternative that is fun and appropriate for children. This is a great opportunity to share the love of Christ with the children of St. Matthews and the surrounding community. Candy isn't the only treat we can share. We encourage you to bring scripture cards, stickers, pencils, and other items that share the Word and encourage the children.

On behalf of the Children's Education Committee, I would like to invite you to come, dress up, and bring your children to the first annual Trunk or Treat Celebration. And, if you feel so called, would you consider handing out treats to the children or helping out with other activities? If you are interested in being a part of the day, please call me at 523-3698 or email [bethanypier-sol@yahoo.com](mailto:bethanypier-sol@yahoo.com).

It's gonna be a "sweet" day!

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A great, big, huge thank you to everyone who helped out on St. Matthew's day in the nursery. Thank you for making sure everyone was loved and cared for so well.

## Nursery, Toddler, Preschool Rooms Update

Thank you to all from the congregation, as well as all the parents who have selflessly offered their time to care for our younger parishioners.

If you would like to be included on the schedule, call Jill at 288-1911.

Date	Nursery	Toddler	Preschool
October 4	Lynda Jenkins	January Britt	Lila White
	Carol Grainger	Jeff Britt	John White
11	Heather Creswick	Stacy Relyea	Marilyn Rooney
	Tom Veech	Bob Relyea	Kaki Vint
18	Kathryn Martin	Lyric Hassler	Elizabeth Spadea
	David Martin	Jeff Hassler	John Spadea
25	Ann Brown	Katie Musick	Bethany Piersol