



School is about to begin at the Lighthouse Preschool!

Applications are in and over 30 students are registered for preschool. It is an exciting time for students and families as some of the children are getting ready for their very first school experience. So please keep the children and their families in your prayers!

Orientation night is August 22<sup>nd</sup> and the first day of school is August 28<sup>th</sup>.

### The First Weeks:

The focus of our first unit will be identity. The students will learn that they are unique individuals created by God. Many of the activities and projects in the classroom will help the students to get to know one another and share about themselves! As the weeks progress activities will naturally shift from learning about who the students are as individuals to discussing and sharing how they are part of a family, a community, and the world!

### Every Week:

The highlight of every week is when the students have chapel over at the church. Pastor Bobby or Pastor Fitch will lead this chapel service giving students the opportunity to hear and receive God's precious life-giving word in the sanctuary.

Once a week there will be a Project Studio. During this time there will be materials set out on the tables such as small boxes, paper towel rolls, masking tape, and more.

Students will have the freedom to use their imagination to create and build! Project Studio will give students the opportunity to be creative, problem solve, and also develop engineering skills.

### Every Day:

Every day at the preschool will begin with activities such as music and movement, question of the day, calendar, weather, singing, and more!

Next is **Chapel**. During this time the students will learn about the love and forgiveness of God given to them through Jesus' death and resurrection. They will sing songs, listen to bible stories, and learn how to pray. This is a wonderful way to begin the day and learn to love, serve, and interact with our neighbors in the classroom!



Students will also have time to **play** and explore – developing math, art, language, pre-literacy, and fine/large motor skills. Centers will be intentionally set up with activities to help students develop those specific skills.

**Story-time** is one of the most important parts of the day as students listen to books, respond to questions, and ask some of their own. This time is crucial for developing pre-literacy skills.

**Letter recognition, writing, and pre-writing activities** will be part of the students daily routing as well!

Every day will be busy and full of discovery. It will be exciting to watch these little ones grow, explore, and learn!

