Lighthouse Preschool News

Teaching God's children about their Creator, Savior, and Friend while preparing them for a lifetime of wonder, learning, and service.

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What is a child? Sinner

Very few people are comfortable looking at a newborn baby who can not even hold its head up and calling it sinful. Yet, Christians throughout history have said that ALL humanity is sinful. How can this be?

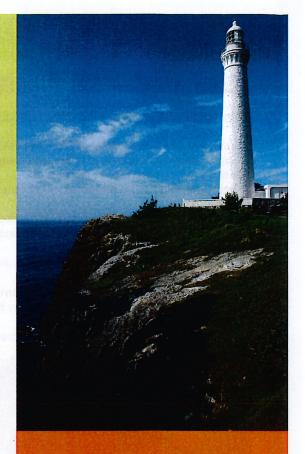
In a previous newsletter, we mentioned that all humanity has inherited sinfulness from our first Father and Mother just as we have inherited freckles or eye color. This is often called original sin and unfortunately, we can't do anything about this inheritance, just as we can't do anything about those dimples or lack thereof.

Some try to rationalize the issue by making distinctions between original and actual sins or said another way, inherited sin or sins actually committed by an individual. But when is a person actually old enough or mentally capable enough to be accountable for sin? As mentioned before even original sin is damnable, whether someone commits an actual sin or not. And we already see that children feel the effects of original sin such as sickness, disease, and even death that they don't deserve.

The Lord says the wages of sin is death. We don't like that! We don't like it for our sin of gossip and we don't like it when it is the consequence for a sin of which we had no say. It doesn't feel fair.

Yet, what would the alternative be? That certain people have no need for a savior and some people do? Everyone, even those that feel the effects of sin upon them more than they actually commit them, are in need of a Savior- and what a glorious reality the Lord has made come true! The Savior of all humanity experienced life from womb to grave and knows personally the struggles that each life stage holds.

It is because children are sinful that we believe in connecting them to Christ's work through baptism as soon as possible. It is because they are sinful that we guard their hearts and minds from negative influences, and it is because they are sinful that we can tell them that Christ came for them.



Upcoming Dates:

January 4th- Preschool Resumes

January 24-29-National Lutheran Schools Week

Feb. 12- No School

Feb. 15- No School



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Hymn #596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized

Verses 2-

You were before your day of birth, indeed, from your conception Condemned and lost with all the earth, none good, without exception. For like your parents' flesh and blood,

Turned inward from the highest good You constantly denied Him.

But all of that was washed away- immersed and drowned forever. The water of your Baptism day restored again whatever Old Adam and his sin destroyed

And all our sinful selves employed According to our nature.

In Baptism we now put on Christ- Our shame is fully covered With all that He once sacrificed and freely for us suffered. For here the flood of His own blood Now makes us holy, right, and good Before our Heavenly Father.

REMINDERS:

Please remember to collect those Ken's and Kessler's receipts!

Also, please consider donating to our Tuition Assistance Fund to help families attend our preschool during this difficult time!



The preschoolers put on a lovely Christmas program where they shared the good news of Christ's birth with their parents on Dec. 15th.

Mrs. Siebert Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful, blessed Christmas! The children are back in preschool after a much needed break. As we begin the New Year, we will be talking about hope. The promise of a Savior brought hope to the faithful and He continues to bring hope today with his promise of eternal salvation. We ask that you continue to keep the preschool in your prayers as we begin 2021 and for a successful second half of the school year!