



# Dew Drops

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## Our Teachers Who Are Helping Little Minds Grow:

Ms. Carrie (Director)  
Ms. Jess  
Ms. Kimi  
Ms. Sharon  
Ms. Becca  
Ms. Rachel

## Important Reminders and Information:

When calling your student off sick, please give us details of the illness. It is important to know the details especially with all the viruses going around. You may call, email, or message via Brightwheel.

We wanted to start the new year with a big thank you for all you do to support the preschool program. We are so grateful for the use of the church sanctuary for events like our Christmas Program and Graduation which each of our classes celebrates with family and friends.

**Thank you** again to everyone that came to our Christmas Program. If you missed it you can view it on the church's YouTube channel.



# SUMMER PRESCHOOL AT GENTLE RAIN

June 3-August 12th

2024

## SPEND YOUR SUMMER LEARNING!

- Hands on learning activities
- Outside exploration in our updated outdoor play space
- Weekly water play days
- Affordable weekly rates



Registration Opening  
Soon!

Contact us for more information

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Come join us at Gentle Rain for summer preschool! We have a ton of fun hands-on learning in the works along with weekly water play days. It is a great way to keep those kindergarten skills sharp! There are 2, 3-, and 5-day options this year. Summer preschool is open to all fully potty-trained children ages 3-entering Kindergarten.

Please register by May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. Reach out to Ms. Carrie with any questions.

**DON'T  
FORGET**

Monday January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 for  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
and a Teacher Inservice Day.

## Salvation Army Angel Tree Update

How do we begin to tell you how you all have blessed others this year? What may seem like fulfilling a request on the Angel Tree is really so much more.

You have provided love in a tangible way to families who have experienced stress and hardship and have resiliently prevailed. Your care serves as recognition that their efforts to get through hard times are not unnoticed. Families feeling so touched that someone who has never met them really cares.

Thank you for paying whatever blessings you have been given forward in this way. It is always incredible to behold.

**Thank you  
from the teachers**  
for your kindness and generosity  
of Christmas gifts for us.  
We appreciate everyone's  
thoughtfulness throughout the  
entire year!

**PAUL EATON JR.**  
**PROCEEDS BENEFIT**  
**PAUL'S MEDICAL**  
**EXPENSES**

**BINGO**

**FUNDRAISER**

**Doors open 11:00 am**  
**Games begin 12:30 pm**

**PRESALE \$25**  
 610-488-7361 FOR TICKETS

**INCLUDES:**  
 6 BINGO CARDS  
 20 GAMES  
 1 HOT DOG  
 1 SODA OR WATER

**EXTRA CARDS**  
 3 FOR \$10  
 6 FOR \$20  
 AT THE DOOR

**\$30 at the door**

**TICKET INFO**

**Sunday February 25, 2024**  
 12:30 - 3:00 pm

**ZION BLUE MOUNTAIN UCC**  
**STRAUSSTOWN**  
**6573 OLD ROUTE 22**

**CASH PRIZES TO BINGO WINNERS!**

**MUST BE 13 YRS. TO PLAY**

Come enjoy a fast-paced afternoon of BINGO and support the Eaton family! As most of you know, Ms. Kimi's husband has been battling cancer for over a year now. Zion Blue Mountain UCC and Gentle Rain Preschool are coming together to host a BINGO fundraiser to help the Eaton family with their medical costs. If you would like to purchase tickets, please ask Ms. Carrie or any of the Gentle Rain Preschool teachers.



Our classrooms need the following items:  
 Tissues, Hand Soap and Paper Towels

Thank you for your donations!



## Winter Is HERE!

Please remember to bring your child a warm jacket, hat, gloves, and any other winter items daily. We attempt to go outside EVERYDAY even through the winter months. If we do have snow this winter, waterproof boots are also recommended to change into for outdoor play. Please also make sure your child is dressed appropriately for that day's weather.

Please also double check that your child's spare clothing is season appropriate. It is also important to remember to label all of your child's belongings so we can ensure they go home with the correct student at the end of each day. That includes water bottles, lunch boxes, and backpacks.

## Important Health and Safety Reminder

We have families who have medically fragile members in their home. What might be a minor illness for us or your student could quickly become dangerous for those high-risk family members. Please make sure you are assessing your student's health each morning before school and if they are not feeling their best, please keep them home. Make sure you are familiar with our handbook policies on Health and Safety as well.

In order to help keep everyone healthy and at school we are also asking everyone to have their student wash their hands before entering the classrooms each morning. The Prek class can use the men's and women's restroom in the hallway. We do also have our classroom bathroom that can also be used. Be mindful that there is only one sink in that bathroom though. The  $\frac{3}{4}$  year old class can use their bathrooms just outside their classroom.

Thank you so much for helping to keep everyone safe, healthy, and learning this school year!!

