



SARAH CORSON CHILD CARE & LEARNING CENTER

September 2018 Newsletter

Closed for Labor Day

The Center is CLOSED Monday, September 3 in observance of Labor Day.

Move Up Day

Beginning Monday, September 10, several children move up to the next class level. During the month we will be welcome several new children to our program.

Check Us Out on Facebook

Stay informed of all our latest news, information, and happenings by checking out our Sarah Corson Child Care & Learning Center Facebook page. Make sure to “Like” our page and keep up-to-date with our Center on this social media site.



Staff In-Service Days

We got a lot accomplished and had a great time during our annual Staff In-Service Days. Special thanks to Chris Dode of the Medford Police Department for sharing information with us on Active Shooter scenarios. We painted all class bathrooms. We cleaned. We organized. We prepped curriculum. We bonded. We played. We got a LOT done.



Graduation day

Goodbye Pre-K Graduates

On August 3 we graduated eight of our Pre-K students. They are headed off to local public and private Kindergarten programs this month. We will miss them. Parents, please bring them back to visit us.

Annual Pumpkin Patch Visit

We have scheduled our annual visits to the Pheasant Fields Farm Pumpkin Patch. Our **Toddler 1 and Toddler 2** classes will be able to go on **Tuesday, October 9 at 3:00 p.m.** Our **Preschool and Pre-K** classes will be able to go on **Thursday, October 11 at 3:00 p.m.** All children must be transported to and from the Pumpkin Patch by their parents. More details to follow.

Air Quality Hindering Outside Play

We will continue to monitor our Air Quality closely. We do not go outside if Air Quality is in the Red or Purple categories. We only go outside for 10-15 minutes per session if the Air Quality is in the Orange category.

Chilly Mornings on the Way

Even though our daytime temperatures are still in the 80s and 90s, the cooler mornings are right around the corner. Please make sure your child has a sweatshirt or light jacket for cooler morning outside play time.

—Jaime Snider, director

Share the peace



 PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION

Peace
at all TIMES
in all WAYS.

2 THESSALONIANS 3:16

Give generously
Sunday Oct. 7

Now may always the Lord of peace
... give you peace in all ways.
—2 Thessalonians 3:16

Fear and uncertainty gripped the church in Thessalonica when Paul wrote his second letter. The new converts expected Jesus would soon come again in triumphal return. He didn't show up. They needed reassurance that a God of peace can always bring peace, in all ways and in all times.

That's a message for these times of anxiety and fear, discord and division. The 2018 Peace and Global Witness offering, we receive Sunday, October 7, lets us demonstrate the hope of the boundless peace God offers. One quarter of the money given will be used in Medford by Another quarter funds the Peacemaking and Hunger advocacy program within our presbytery. The remaining half supports work for peace and reconciliation done by Presbyterians around the world.

Share Christ's peace on World Communion Sunday. Since 1940 this ecumenical celebration holds up our oneness in the spirit and gospel of Jesus Christ, bringing churches together in Christian unity.

Sometimes it feels the world is coming at us so quickly that we don't know which way to turn, where to look, what to do next. In a chaotic world, we find strength in knowing that God is always near. Today, we are joining in Paul's prayer that God grant us "peace at all times, in all ways."

You have peace

When plans go awry
You will not die.
When life hands a storm
It may not be the norm.
You have peace
When hurts you release.
When you are at rest
Blessings are at their best.
A gift it's day
Promising a new way.

---Becky Jones 7/1/18

Introducing Grace Works

The Mission Committee this summer turned what had been a winter warming ministry into a year-around Wednesday happening. The program is called "Grace Works" and utilizes a first-floor classroom from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. when Food Bank opens.

Volunteers and professionals from social service agencies are present to help street people and Food Bank clients with problems. If you can put in a couple of hours Wednesday mornings, please check in at the classroom about 9:30 a.m. and coordinate with one of our lead volunteers. More help is needed, says Harold Sudmeyer, a regular volunteer.

Harold also says there's a need for clothing donations, including shoes, that can be given to some of our visitors. You can bring donations to the church office.