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## TRICON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EVENTS, PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES JANUARY 2011

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From the desk of...

*Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6*

In celebration of the New Year, new beginnings and new opportunities of experiencing faith...

*They're only little once Lord, grant me the wisdom to guide them down the path that their little feet should take. For I know that they can never turn back and walk those paths with me again. Give me the wisdom to guide their feet so that someday they'll be able to walk alone. They're only little once.*

*Give me the time I need to enjoy them. For I know that after they're grown, I'll never have another chance to tell stories and pretend at those tea parties. I'll never have another chance to watch them in a school play or sing in church, or to see them catch that first fish or score that first goal or hit that first home run ball. Give me the time in life's busy schedule to have fun with my children. They're only little once.*

*Let me be a loving parent. Let me correct and not just punish, explain and not merely scold. Let me know when to correct, and how often, and when it's best just to look the other way. Help me be patient and give me a gentle hand to mold them into better people. They're only little once.*

*Let me be a good teacher and an even better example. Give me the right words and deeds to teach them. Help me to teach them about You and how to walk in Your ways so when they are old, they will not depart from it. For they are only little one time. Only innocent and trusting and pliable for a space of time, one minute in an eternity. Let me do my best for them while I have the chance. Amen*

And I too say, "Amen"!!

Peace, happiness, patience, love, joy and faith in this New Year!

Carrie

### January

#### Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>

Family Choir Rehearsal	9:30AM
Epiphany Family Worship	10:00AM
Childcare for children up to age five	
Epiphany Festival	11:15AM

#### Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>

Liaison Meeting	7:00PM
CE Committee Meeting	8:15PM

#### Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

Family Choir Rehearsal	9:30AM
Church School	10:00AM
SEEKERS Meeting	11:15AM

#### Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>

Family Choir Rehearsal	9:30AM
Social Justice One Room Schoolhouse	10:00AM
Childcare available for children up to age five	

#### Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Sleepover	TBD
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#### Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

Church School	10:00AM
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#### Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

Church School	10:00AM
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## Epiphany Family Worship and Festival Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>



On January 2<sup>nd</sup> we will be celebrating the season of Epiphany with a fun, educational and interactive family worship service geared for worshippers of all ages! An Epiphany intergenerational festival follows worship with games, a King's Cake and a Grand March. Come and hang out with the Three Kings!!!

## "Social Justice" One Room Schoolhouse Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>

In recognition of Martin Luther King Day, the children will explore human rights with regards to equality, justice and fairness. We will read and discuss Hans Christian Anderson's classic *The Ugly Duckling* and delve into civil rights concepts through an arts and crafts activity and games. Our program is appropriate for children Kindergarten age through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Younger children are invited for a fun morning in the Nursery, while older children should worship with their family in the sanctuary. Thank you to Lisa and Fred Turkington for leading this program.



## Happy January Birthday Wishes to...!



Kendall Ryan	Peter Mushlitz	Reide Dion
Kate Fulshaw	Cooper Meyer	Courtney Piper
Christian Meyer	Susannah Snell	Nicholas Avakian
Teagan Piper	Charlie Kessler	



### SEEKERS Meeting

**Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 11:15 AM - 12:30PM**

Mandatory meeting for all SEEKERS attending our Nightwatch NYC trip in February. We will be learning who is in our Care Groups, meeting our chaperones, discussing trip particulars and playing team games. A packing list and important travel information will be distributed at the meeting. Onward SEEKERS!

### SEEKERS 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Sleepover

**Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> - Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

A fun evening is being planned for our 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls ending with breakfast Sunday morning. More information will follow. A special activity geared just for our boys is in the works!

### TRI-CON CHURCH SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

It is our mission to intentionally provide to all of the children in our Church School program the following:

Provide our children with a foundation in Christian education such as learning the stories of the Bible, the history of Christianity and what it means to be a UCC member, and the components of worship.

Provide our children with many opportunities to participate in our church community and programs outside our community.

Provide a safe, caring and nurturing environment with other children and adults.

Teach our children the important faith traits such as generosity, responsibility, courage, joy, stewardship and humility so that they will include and apply them to their daily lives.