

January 13, 2017

Dear Parents,

Greetings to you and your family on behalf of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and School! Thank you for your interest in our school. Holy Trinity Lutheran School is a ministry of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The mission of Holy Trinity Lutheran School is to serve our community while providing a superior Christian education, teaching and fostering Christian values, as we proclaim and share the love of Christ. We welcome you and your child to our family, realizing that each child is a unique gift from God. It is my hope that the time your child spends here will provide a lasting foundation of faith, a love for learning and enduring friendships.

Holy Trinity Lutheran School began as a Mother's Day Out Program in 1991. This program grew from two classes meeting two mornings a week to our current preschool. In August 2003, when the Family Life Center (the current school building) was completed, our first Kindergarten class opened and the words "and School" were added as the official name for our congregation and school. After several years we grew to serve children ages 18 months through Third Grade. But in May 2008, financial difficulties, space requirements and very low registration for the following school year made the congregation take another look at the feasibility of continuing the school. After much discussion as a church body, the painful decision was made to close grades Kindergarten through Third. Since August 2008 our focus has been on providing superior early childhood education.

I am a member of Holy Trinity and have been involved in the ministry of this school since 1994 as a teacher, teacher/secretary, teacher/director and now director. Our school maintains a Type I license from the State of Louisiana, Department of Education. I am thankful to all the parents who have entrusted the care and education of their children to Holy Trinity for over 20 years. I am proud of my staff, their love of children and their dedication to teaching. I am excited about sharing our relationship with Christ by touching the hearts and lives of more families in the future.

Along with the forms in this registration packet, I have included a copy of our proposed **2017-18** school calendar. We normally follow the school calendar set by St. Tammany Parish public schools for holidays and school closings. **If you are interested in your child attending our preschool, please fill out the paperwork and return it with your \$250 registration fee (per family) to the School Office on or after January 30<sup>th</sup>, the beginning of our open registration.** If there is not space available in a class, your child's name will be added to a waiting list. Preference will be given to children enrolling in the 5 day program for all age groups.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 985-892-6146, extension. 2.

Blessings in Christ,

Debby Nelson, Director