



# CROSSROADS CONNECTION

*The official newsletter of Crossroads Kids  
Connection Daycare*

## DIRECTORS NOTE

**From the desk of Heather Raabe**

We are into our last month of 2020, and I can safely say wow, what a year! There have been so many changes, new rules to follow, and our daily lives look nothing like they did last year. However, looking back, I see so many good things and am reminded how blessed I am. The only reason I can think of for this is because God has blessed me and CKC as a whole with a team and parents who are so supportive, encouraging and understanding. I do not believe we would have made it through some of those weeks without all of you. So thank you!

As I pray and thank God for all of you, I am reminded of 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. Before his final greetings in this letter to the Christians of Thessalonica, Paul reminds them to *"Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus."* As hard as that can be to remember on a daily basis it is helpful, and can result in seeing God do amazing things, sometimes by bringing people into our lives.

This is the time of year to be joyful, and we all have a lot to be thankful for. It is easy to go with the flow, to get busy, and enjoy everything that comes with the Christmas season. There are so many happy memories to make, however may I encourage you all to remember why we celebrate. This is the time of year that we remember that Jesus was born for us, as a gift from God to save us all. Here are some great ways to make memories with your children this year that teach them about Jesus and the reason why we celebrate:

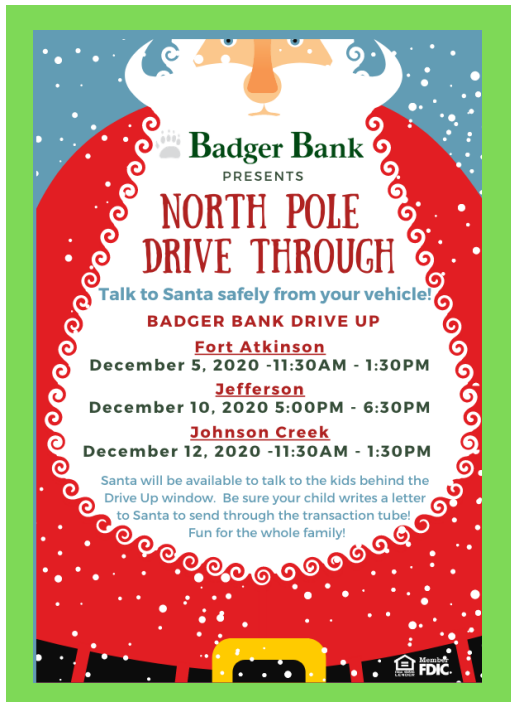
- Put up a nativity scene and talk about who the people are and why they are there.
- Read the book of Luke. There are 24 chapters so if you read 1 chapter a day starting on December 1st it will take you to Christmas Eve. It will take you through Jesus' whole life and why he is such an amazing gift from God.
- Read children's books about Christmas, one of my favorites is "The Something Wonderful" by Karen Hill
- Watch a Christmas movie, such as "The Star"
- Attend a Church service

I wish you all a Merry Christmas,  
Heather Raabe

# CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

## Check out our CKC tree in the hallway

For CKC families looking to give classroom gifts this season, check out our CKC Christmas tree in the hallway. Teachers have filled out tags with items on their Christmas wish list. Take a tag and fill that classroom's wish. Leave the gift underneath the tree- wrapped would be great! - addressed to the classroom for the teachers and children to open and enjoy!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Join the JC community, and surrounding communities, in some holiday fun!

### Helenville Christmas Parade

Friday December 4th at 6:30pm

### Drive-Thru Holiday Parade of Lights - County Fairgrounds

Saturday December 5th at 5:30pm

### Johnson Creek Holiday Tree Lighting - Veteran's Park

Sunday December 6th from 3pm-5pm

### North Pole Drive Through - Badger Bank; Johnson Creek

Saturday December 10th from 5:00pm-6:30pm

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Wish these staff members a Happy Birthday when you see them!

December 9th - Alisha's Birthday

December 22nd - Stephanie's Birthday

December 24th - Pastor Joepaaa's Birthday

December 25th - JESUS' BIRTHDAY



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