

PAGEANT NOTICE FALL 2024

Dear Parents:

In preparation for our annual **Christmas Pageant on December 15**, we will be holding three practices. **Our practice dates are: November 17 and 24, and December 8.** There is no Sunday school on Thanksgiving weekend, December 1. Pageant snow date: December 22.

We are currently in the process of asking all the children if they would like to participate and I will be in contact with all the parents of those who are interested.

We understand that there can be conflicts that make it difficult for families to have their children attend all three practices, but we hope you can attend as many as possible as it makes for a much better pageant and your children will be more confident in their roles. We appreciate your support with this. Preschool children need not attend practices; they will be staying with their teacher during the Pageant, and they will all be 'angels'.

Practices are held in the church itself as soon as Sunday school is finished and the church is empty after liturgy. (If for some reason church runs very late or there is an event such as a Baptism, we may practice in the lower social hall). We will start to gather in the front pews, and as soon as the children are there, we can start. Practice itself takes no more than a half-hour, but we cannot begin until the children are assembled. So helping to assure your child is there at that point would help us not deviate much from that half-hour timeframe. **Please Note: The children will be brought into church right after class by their teachers and they can be picked up there after practice.**

Costumes will be assigned soon (while children are in Sunday school) and will be kept in church. On the day of the Pageant, shepherds can bring a special cane or stuffed lamb from home if they wish, but we will have canes for them.

Also – we can use assistance. Please let me know if you can assist in any of the following:

1. Costume Assignment (mostly performed during Sunday school time).
2. Help with practices
3. Help on the day of the Pageant (we need many people to help dress the children, as well as a few to help guide the children during the Pageant itself)

Please note: The children will be provided with words to the Christmas carols. Please practice them at home with the children as we would like them to sing the carols along with the choir during the Pageant.

Thank you!

In Christ,

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