



"Open Doors ~ Open Arms ~ Open Hearts"

*Testimonials from parents and volunteers for our
St. Luke Catholic Preschool and Childcare*

"My three year-old loves coming to the pre-school. He calls it the "church house." I cannot even drive by the preschool without him asking to go to the house. He goes one afternoon a week, and always has a great time. I have two older daughters who went to daycare and they NEVER wanted to go unless they had to and would cry when I left. Not here! My little boy cries when we drive by and do not stop!" It also offers flexibility, which many places do not offer, especially for infants. There is a much more caring attitude with the staff here than the "for- profit" ones we attended with my girls. We have been very happy here! Only regret is that it was not here for my girls when they were younger.

Childcare Parent

For me it has been a great experience to volunteer at St. Luke Preschool with a team of persons who are totally invested in providing for the needs of the children. Whatever that need, someone steps up to do whatever the task, and does it with a smile. There is a very positive and loving atmosphere that pervades this program. It is a joy to experience firsthand how each child is loved and cared for.

Volunteer

We couldn't ask for a better place to send our child. Each caretaker we've met is excited to be there and so loving, and the house is so full of joy. Not to mention, it's a kids heaven...more toys and activities than anyone could imagine. It is such a peaceful feeling to know our sons is cared for there when we aren't with him!

Childcare Parent

Monsignor Schaedel, Missy Fisher, Tara DeWitt, and Katie Kuhn, along with a smart group of educators and parents, did a great deal of thorough research to bring this Catholic preschool to St. Luke and its surrounding community. Finding Laurie Breen as director, and our own Sr. Zephрина Mary rounds off this amazing staff of extremely hard-working and caring people. They truly run this center as if it were their own home and their own family.

Along with a well-organized group of us volunteers, this faith-filled home provides safety, love, prayers, exploration, fun, and...did I say...love. I'm so fortunate to be able to volunteer there every Thursday morning. It's fun to see how much "my babies" have grown over just a 1-week period! Audrey eats like a champion now, Ruby walked the entire length of the play room the other day, with the help of Thomas the Train push toy, Linus and Davey are speaking more words each time we read our books, J.R. was suddenly standing up and babbling much to our excitement, and babies Johnny and Teddy simply melt my heart with their adorable smiles and happy demeanors. St. Luke Catholic Preschool and Childcare, and the children who attend, are a true blessing.

Volunteer

I enjoy my volunteer time at the preschool. I love seeing the growth from crawling to walking, sharing with others, and now saying words. We pray before they eat, we point to the cross and that is so important.

Volunteer

Our family loves the Catholic environment at St. Luke Preschool. We know our son is getting love and guidance through Catholic principals that we strive to instill in him. He always comes home eager to tell us about his school day and the new things he learned!

3s Preschool Parent

The preschool has been super convenient with having older children at St. Luke Catholic School. We arranged our childcare like a Mother's Day out program that starts right after I drop off the older kids. It has given me precious time as a stay at home mom and ultimately has helped the household flow. More importantly, I love that my daughter is playing in a very loving, nurturing, family environment. The preschool reinforces our faith practice and my daughter is very happy to be there amongst new friends.

Childcare Parent

Our three year old daughter is in St. Luke's Preschool for the past five months. Our child was reserved and shy. We were nervous parents sending our youngest off to preschool. We watched our daughter grow and learn academically, socially and spiritually. St. Luke's preschool was one of our best decisions. It is a wonderful school with a loving and nurturing staff. It is more than a preschool. It is a place where our children learn the fundamentals of learning but more importantly in an environment of kindness and compassion. The teachers are fantastic! They are so nice, caring, affectionate and highly experienced. The children, upon receiving a warm greeting at the door, independently navigated through learning centers thoughtfully created to help strengthen fine motor skills, encourage logical thinking, creativity, problem solving, and working together. It was evident that the developmental needs and abilities of the young child were considered at every turn. I observed well-established child friendly routines, saw students helping each other, and listened to songs being sung. I truly feel that the experience the children receive is worth more than money can buy. We have been blessed to be part of such a wonderful preschool.

3s Preschool Parent

Our experience at St. Luke Preschool has been nothing but wonderful. From our first day there, we were welcomed with open arms by the teachers and helpers. Our son has enjoyed meeting new friends and playing with all the fun toys. He became especially fond of Missy and Sr. Zephрина and looked forward to seeing them when he came in the mornings. I would encourage any families who are thinking of sending their kids to come as it is such a comfort knowing your child is being cared for by a loving staff.

Childcare Parent

We feel so blessed to be a part of Saint Luke Catholic Preschool. Our daughter, who attends the 3's program looks forward to school every Tuesday and Thursday. Every one that is involved with the program, from the teachers to the staff and volunteers, is committed to making the school a place that feels like home. The curriculum is play based, which is important to us for this stage of our child's development. The love and care everyone shows each and every child is palpable when you walk in the door. It is a special place.

3s Preschool Parent

As the rookie volunteer all I can say is I am thoroughly enjoying the opportunity to help in the care of these adorable children. I feel blessed that you are sharing them. Since all my grand babies are out of town, my little St. Luke children fill a space in my heart. Thank you.

Volunteer

We absolutely love St. Luke's daycare. When asked by a fellow parent to describe the daycare the best explanation I could come up with is, it is like taking your child to Grandma's house every day. Laurie and the staff treat each child as if it were a part of their family. From the moment you walk in you can instantly see and feel the loving environment that has been created for the children. As a first time mom, I had to experience that dreaded moment when you go back to work and have to leave your child with someone else. The first day dropping Ruby off I did have tears but they were happy tears because I knew my baby was in great hands. She would be safe, well loved and cared for. When I drop Ruby off in the morning it always makes me smile watching Sister pray with her before serving breakfast. This is why we send our daughter to St. Luke. There are other places that could watch Ruby during the day but none can match feeling of family you get from day one.

Childcare parent

I have noticed my daughter mature since joining the inaugural class at St. Luke Preschool. She has become more socially engaged with a new group of children, both boys and girls. My daughter is always happy to and looks forward to "going-to-school." There is never any anxiety when leaving the house. When running into classmates outside of the classroom, the kids always are happy to see each other. My daughter's preschool experience has helped her to engage better with other children in a group setting. Attending preschool has helped her better follow directions. She is eager to help with everyday task, listens better, and understands why rules are important. This has enabled her to participate within a structured environment. My daughter's engagement at St. Luke Preschool has further enhanced her creativity. She wants to always engage in arts / crafts / projects, and enjoys playing organized games. She is engaged in "creative and imaginative play," now more than ever. She is singing songs all day long, and has a higher level of curiosity.

We do not regret enrolling our daughter in St. Luke Preschool, and we truly believe it is the best preschool for her. We are thrilled St. Luke offers this option and are looking forward to enrolling our two younger children, within the years to come.

3s Preschool Parent

The St. Luke Daycare provides a warm and welcoming environment for my little guy. My son lights up with a huge smile each morning when he is welcomed by his sweet teachers. Leaving your little one in the hands of someone else is never easy for a Mom, but the staff and volunteers give me comfort in knowing he is getting lots of love and care. My husband and I are so blessed our child gets a balance of faith and play each day!

Childcare parent

I wanted you to know how much the school means to us and Luke. Luke is very shy. Although we know he is wonderful, he's not known to "put himself out there." Since starting at St. Luke Preschool, we have seen him make his first real friends and come home telling jokes and singing songs. He's more confident now than we have ever seen him. He has also grown in his faith insisting on leading prayers, reading his Bible stories, and constantly surprising us with his sweet spirit and genuine interest in our faith.

Thank you! We couldn't be more pleased with the growth he's made in so many areas!

3s Preschool Parent

St. Luke's new Preschool and Childcare Center is one of the new gems of our parish. I am privileged to be a volunteer taking care of the babies two to three times a week. My time there is the highlight of my week. I adore the babies and I love the staff and volunteers who are top notch.

The facility is beyond anything I've ever seen, stocked with every kind of book, interactive toy, beautifully decorated rooms, and donations galore. The fact that we are faith-based is also a highlight. The babies are already learning the "Bless Us, O Lord" prayer before their snack time! I am honored to be a part of this wonderful program.

Volunteer