



Hello Zion ECEC Families!

Welcome to preschool at Zion Lutheran Early Childhood Education Center. I hope your summer was filled with special memories. We're getting ready to make new memories at preschool and we look forward to meeting you and your child.

My name is Cindy Lithio and I will be your child's teacher for the upcoming school year. I've been teaching 3 year olds for 24 years, and am so happy to be with the Zion ECEC family for my third year. My husband Tom and I live in Downers Grove. We have 3 grown sons, two with families of their own. Our two granddaughters are 5 and 3.5 years old, and our grandson is close to 2 years old. Magical years, aren't they?

Yvonne Umbrasas will be the teacher assistant who will be helping in our classroom. She and her husband live in LaGrange with their two daughters, ages 12 and 15. She is looking forward to meeting everyone!

On August 22 and 23, I will be making brief "porch visits" to each of my students. These visits are a special way to connect with your child and help with the transition to the classroom. We will meet outside your home for about 15 minutes. (We can meet inside if you prefer.) Ask your child to have a favorite thing to show me such as a toy or stuffed animal. I'll share some papers with you and take a photo of your child for use in the classroom.

Attached is a copy of the visit schedule. *After reviewing it, please send me an email confirming your visit time and your address.* If this day and time do not work with your schedule, please feel free to email me. If another time is not available, we can meet at our classroom visit time the following week. That schedule will arrive soon.

When I visit your home, please provide me with a recent 4x6 family photo to display in our classroom. The photos provide a feeling of belonging and security, and the children love seeing them all year long.

I look forward to a wonderful school year together!

In Jesus' love,
Mrs. Cindy Lithio