

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." And he laid his hands on them and went on his way. Matthew 19:13-15



Volunteer Opportunities

If you would like to volunteer for this important ministry of our church, please contact us! There are many ways to help:

- Nursery Volunteer
- Children's Committee
- Teaching children's Sunday School

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FOR PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN, TODDLERS, INFANTS



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Sunday Mornings

Childcare for infants and toddlers (children who are not yet two years old) is provided in our fourth floor nursery from 8:15 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. each Sunday. Children who turn 3 during a school year *may* move up to the preschool class. Please consult with Rev. Magrini about your child. We employ a childcare provider. She is assisted by volunteers from the church who generally donate one hour on one Sunday per month. All of our paid and volunteer caregivers have a background check. Christian education for all children begins at infancy. We want parents to know that they can trust this as a safe and loving place, just as Jesus welcomed the children.

Health Guidelines

Please be sure your child(ren) are healthy when you bring them to our nursery and classes. Our policy is:

- Children need to be free of fever for 24 hours before coming to childcare.

- Children who have thick, discolored nasal mucous should stay at home until it is clear.
- If a child is not well enough to remain in our care, a parent or guardian will be paged to take the child out of the nursery or class.
- Please notify us if your child has a contagious illness such as chicken pox to which he/she may have exposed other children.

Please try to bring the supplies your child needs to be comfortable, including diapers, change of clothing, and bottles if used, and mark all items with your last name. Let us know if you will allow your child to have a snack such as cheerios.

Always sign your child in and out, and take a pager with you which we will activate if your child needs you. The pager will vibrate, not beep. Return the pager to the nursery when you pick up your child as soon as worship is over.

In an Emergency

Infants and children will be evacuated down the stairs and out of the building, across Washington to the Picasso sculpture at Daley Plaza. At the Picasso, please tell your child's teacher when you are leaving with your child. Please do not take your child from the classrooms if you are on the 4th floor, but assist with the evacuation instead. Members of the choir will be the first ones up those same stairs to assist in the evacuation. If parents try to go up, too, the stairway will not accommodate the evacuation. Therefore, do not try to go up to get children from the other floors, but trust that we will get them all out safely.

Do not try to use the elevators in an emergency. Please try to assist persons with handicapping conditions if you are able. If you have further questions about the issues outlined in this brochure, please call the church office.

