



Our Nursery

Welcome to Our Nursery

We are aware that the nursery is the first place in the church where children experience God's unconditional love through those who care for them. Our goal is to provide a relaxed, friendly and loving atmosphere which is safe and secure.

Our clean and safe nursery is offered for children from infancy through the start of first grade, so that parents can attend the Worship Service and Sunday School classes to learn and grow without distraction. Our Nursery is staffed by at least two adults who have been trained by and certified to be in compliance with our Sexual Misconduct Policy (*copies are available for your review*).

- Our Nursery is located in the courtyard area of the church.
- Our Nursery is available from: 9:15am - 10:15am and immediately following the children's message through the morning service.
- Our Nursery utilizes vibrating pagers to contact parents if there is any need for your little one(s).
- Mothers are also welcome to nurse their infant in our infant nursery.
- A small snack will be provided. Please note any food allergies when signing your child into the Nursery.

When You Arrive

- Please sign in your child/ children at the Nursery door, where you will be greeted by your volunteer nursery staff and receive a pager.
- Please label all items left with your child, even if they are in the diaper bag (the bag itself, bottle, preferred snacks, etc).
- Be sure you have your pager with you when you leave the nursery, and be sure to return your pager when you pick up your child.

Some Things To Consider

Children with infectious illnesses should not be brought to the Nursery. Please be aware of these symptoms/illnesses **in the last 24 hours** including, but not limited to:

- Children must be fever free for 24 hours prior to nursery visit.
- No eye discharge (pink eye)
- Respiratory infections: sinus infections or colds with frequent coughing or sneezing. *Nasal drainage that is green or yellow indicates infection. No GREEN or YELLOW allowed!*
- Hepatitis, meningitis or influenza
- Some skin infections and rashes (i.e. impetigo, ringworm, fever blisters)
- Vomiting and or diarrhea

Please Note

- Diaper Changes - Diapers will not be changed. Parents will be paged for diaper changes.
- Toilet training - If your child is in the middle of potty training, please have them wear a pull up or parent must be willing to accompany the child in the Nursery.
- If a child is crying, inconsolably, we will page the parent.
- If your child develops fever while in the nursery, parents will immediately be paged to pick up your child.
- If your child develops symptoms of an infectious disease (i.e. conjunctivitis or chicken pox) after being in the nursery, please contact the church office (838-2798) so other parents can be notified of the exposure.
- **Please note:** *We cannot administer any medications to your child.*
- In the event of disciplinary issues (i.e. biting, hitting, disruptive behavior), the child will be given a warning by the nursery staff. If the child repeats the negative behavior, the parent will be paged.

Thank you for helping us make this a pleasant experience for your child.

Important Considerations

- To help your child adjust, please bring them on a regular basis.
- Bring a change of clothes and diapers in case of spills or soils.
- Please make sure any special instructions and limitations are noted on the sign-in sheet.
- Please respect our nursery workers' and volunteers' time by picking up your child/children **promptly** at the close of worship services, Bible studies or other special events.
- Volunteers are always appreciated and needed. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sherry Branscombe.

Special Note:

Nursery class children are to have a parent on site. This class is provided for teachers, helpers or those attending Worship or Sunday School class.

OUR NURSERY LEADERSHIP

Director	Ellen Nelson
Nursery Scheduler	Sherry Branscombe

HOURS AT ESCALON PRESBYTERIAN

9:15 - 10:15	Sunday School Nursery
10:00-11:30	Worship Hours Nursery - Children worship with their families in the Sanctuary from approximately 10:30 to 11:00. They are dismissed following the Children's Message for Nursery Sign-in.
