

Escalon Presbyterian

Nursery



Nursery Care at EPC

The Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians

EPC Sunday Nursery

Welcome to a Safe Environment

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).
- 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.

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 Sandy Thompson.

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

Nursery Hours

Every Sunday except for Summer Schedule

- **9:15 - 10:15** | Sunday School Nursery is available to parents serving onsite before service.
- **11:00 - 11:30** | Sunday Worship Nursery (*approximate*) is available to all during the worship service.

At EPC 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.