

## **WELCOME TO THE NURSERY AT WHPC!**

The members of the Children's Ministry team and staff welcome you to our nursery. We offer unconditional love to the little ones in our care. This is one of the first places your child will experience God's love, hear the name of Jesus, listen to Bible songs and hear bible stories.

Our goal is to provide the highest-quality care in a safe and loving Christian environment. We want to be here to support you, the parents, helping lay the foundations for your child's faith.

## **DIAPER BAGS**

Please label all of your child's belongings, including bottles, cups and pacifiers.

Please include:

- Two or three diapers
- Complete change of clothes
- Special toy or blanket
- Bottle or pacifier as needed

Special WHPC diaper tags are available. You will receive this when your child is born. If you begin attending after their arrival, ask the volunteer and we will be happy to provide you with one. We want others to know that your child is loved at our WHPC nurseries!

## **CHECK IN SECURITY SYSTEM**

Our security system begins with Check in computers in the downstairs entryway. Stop at a computer and enter the last 4 digits of your home phone number. When your family appears on the screen, check your child's name and follow the on screen instructions. The printer will then print you a name tag for your child and a transaction number with your child's name on it. Place the name tag on your child and take him or her to the classroom printed on the nametag. The volunteer or staff will give you a beeper, be sure to record the number on the sign in sheet. When you return for pick up give the transaction slip and beeper to the volunteer or staff. If you lose your slip present your drivers' license and sign your name on your child's name tag. These are collected and placed on a check out sheet.

## **VISITORS**

Visitors are always welcome in the nurseries. Stop at the computer screens in the entryway. We will have you fill out an information form. In the future you will follow the above procedures. For this first visit select Quick Print on the screen, from the second screen enter your child's name and choose the correct age from the drop down. Use the age your child was on September 1<sup>st</sup>. A volunteer or staff person will be at the front desk to assist you and will help you in locating the classrooms.

## **NURSERY AVAILABLE**

The nursery rooms are open Sunday mornings from 9:15 to 12:15 and on Wednesday evenings from 6:15 to 7:45 p.m. Childcare is available for Women's Bible studies and special events by reservations only when offered. To ensure cleanliness and safety in these rooms we ask that siblings and adults wait outside the door.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

The Nursery rooms are staffed by paid staff on Sunday and Wednesdays. In addition to the loving paid staff we will be using volunteers on Sunday mornings. These volunteers have completed a background check and are:

- Adults of all ages
- Parents with older children
- Teens (17 and older for Infant room)
- Parents of children in our program

We ask that our parents volunteer one Sunday a month for one of our two Worship hours. To sign up to volunteer contact Judy Crochet at 327-8028.

## **SUNDAY CHILDCARE ROOMS**

Infants-Room 102-2 months to walking

Toddler I-Room 101-walking to 18 months

Toddler II-Room 132-19 to 23 months

NOTE: Children remain in 132 until August after their 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

## **ARE YOU EXPECTING?**

We encourage all parents to contact Children's Ministries when you are expecting. We want to know about your little one. After your child is born we have special Bibles for them and a cradle cross for the nursery. We want you to meet our caregivers in the nursery and become comfortable and familiar with our ministry.

## **BAPTISM INFORMATION**

The book of Order for the Presbyterian Church requires that there be instruction before baptism. Please call the church office, 327-1116, to make an appointment with one of our pastors. Your meeting will include a discussion of faith in Christ, what baptism does and does not mean in our Reformed Tradition, how parents can become more connected to the church and how your family can partner with us to teach your child about God.

## **ILLNESS**

Our nurseries are well baby only! If your child is ill with a fever, nose or ear discharge, nausea, diarrhea, skin infections (other than diaper rash) or any other acute infectious disease please do not bring them to the nursery. We do understand that some children experience allergies, if this is the case please speak with Judy Crochet about the circumstances. This policy is for the protection of all our babies.

## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES STAFF**

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