

Health and Safety Policies

Diapers are changed as needed. Caregivers use sanitary gloves and follow strict hand washing guidelines.

Crib linens are changed after each use.

Toys are disinfected regularly.

Tables and floors are cleaned each time the room is used, and the areas are inspected on a regular basis to ensure they are clean and safe environments.

Your child should not be brought to the Nursery and Toddler Program showing any signs of illness such as fever, coughing, diarrhea, excessive crying, or a non-clear running nose. Please be sure your child has been free of fever for 24 hours.

No medications are administered in the nursery.



Welcome to the
Nursery and Toddler
Program at
Sequoyah Hills
Presbyterian Church!

We are delighted to have your child join us!

We believe that infants and toddlers are important members of our faith community.

We are confident that when they are in the program they will feel comfortable and secure, will engage in stimulating activities, and will experience the love God has for all children. We are happy to be a part of your child's early Christian education.

Then He took a little child and put him among them:
and taking him in His arms, He said to them,
"Whoever welcomes one such child in My name
welcomes Me, and whoever welcomes Me welcomes
not Me but the One who sent Me."

Mark 9:36-37

Mary Emily Morris | Director of Children's Ministries

Cynthia Foster | Nursery Committee Chair

Infant Caregivers | Adrienne Robinson and Ashley Pruitt

Toddler Caregivers | Allie Marret and Tiffany Allen

Extended Session Caregivers | Grace Malone, Mary Handly Morris
and Anna Witt

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General Procedures

The first time a child comes to the program you and your child will be introduced to the caregivers and given appropriate information about the program. You will be asked to complete a child information form that is kept on file and includes basic information about your child as well as specifics such as allergies, health needs and feeding information.

At every visit to the nursery, you will be asked to sign in your child. Please list the child's name, your name, and your location (e.g. which Sunday school class.)

Only nursery workers should enter the nursery rooms. This is for the safety and security of all children. Please do not bring or send anyone into the nurseries to visit a child; this can be a real disruption.

If someone other than you will be picking up your child, please communicate this information to the caregivers. No under aged siblings will be allowed to pick up children from the nursery.

If the weather is appropriate, walking children may be taken outside to the playground.

Sometimes it is hard for children to separate from their parents. It is usually best if you leave with a short good-bye and assurance that you will be back soon. If your child continues to be unhappy for an excessive amount of time, we will page or find you. Please do not go back to the room to check. If you need to know, please check with the Nursery Committee Chair, Cynthia Foster. We will do everything possible to make your child happy.

Caregivers have received infant/child CPR training and first aid.

In the infant room is an area designed for nursing mothers. Please do not take fathers or older siblings with you.



Hours and Ages

On Sundays we provide care for children from birth through three years in the Spitzer Education Building from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Wednesday nights, we provide childcare from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. during programming.

All nurseries close promptly at the end of the function that you are attending. Please pick up your children before visiting friends.

The children are divided into rooms according to their ages and developmental levels: the infant room is for children birth to walking, and the toddler room is for children walking to roughly age two.

Parents with toddlers who turn two years old by the end of February will have the option of moving their child into the two-year old classroom on March 1, if the size of the class permits.



These children would remain in the two-year old class during the entire following school/program year. Parents interested in early promotion of their two year old child should contact the Director of Children's Ministries.

Food and Clothing

Goldfish and apple juice are kept in our program areas. Please let the caregivers know if it is not acceptable to offer these to your child. Please bring your own diapers for your child.

Please label all bottles, cups, burp cloths, diaper bags, coats and security items (e.g. blankets) you bring from home.

Please use pacifier clips to prevent pacifiers from becoming lost, dropped or shared.

Please bring a change of clothes.

