

First Presbyterian Church of Haddonfield

Nursery Policies and Procedures

Nursery Philosophy

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church, Haddonfield. We believe in the way in which we love and care for little ones lays a foundation for their faith and trust in God. It is our ministry to work as partners with parents in sharing God with the children in our care. Therefore, it is our goal to provide the best possible care in an environment that is safe and loving for the youngest members of our church family. There is no charge for our nursery services. We consider our children a valuable part of the FPC Community and our goal is to provide a safe and nurturing environment for your children so you can feel secure about their wellbeing while you attend services and activities. Before placing your child in the nursery, please read the following details of our nursery program: how it is run, the rules we have crafted to ensure a safe environment, and contact information for any additional questions. Your understanding and cooperation are appreciated.

Age of Care

Infants up to age three are accepted into the nursery. For safety reasons we do not allow children above nursery age to enter into the nursery room at any time unless they are assisting their parents. Children must be in diapers/pull ups or fully potty trained to be in the nursery. Sunday school is available for children in preschool aged three years of age and fully potty trained through eighth grade.

Nursery Schedule

The nursery is available during Sunday morning worship, from the hours of 9:45--11:15 AM. Occasionally we provide the nursery care during other church activities and services. Please contact our main office to see if nursery care will be offered for a specific event.

Nursery Staffing

We always have a minimum of two nursery helpers on duty. They will be wearing name tags identifying them as the volunteers. Nursery volunteers arrive at the nursery 15 minutes prior to the start of service.

Information Cards

Parents/guardians are required to complete information cards for their child. This card will provide the nursery workers with essential information needed to care for the child. Information provided on this card will include: parent contact numbers, diaper bag information, food allergies, special instructions, etc.

Drop Off/Pick Up

Parents/Guardians need to check-in their child's information card to the nursery helpers when dropping off their child. Children will only be released to their parent or another pre-authorized adult. Please pick up your children as soon as the service concludes.

Health Guidelines

We want to keep our babies and children healthy so we follow a well-child policy. In order to do so, we ask that you please keep your child home if any of the following occurs:

- * Your child has a fever or has had a fever in the last 24 hours
- * Your child has vomited or had diarrhea within the last 24 hours
- * Your child has pink eye, frequent coughing, or skin rash
- * Your child is being treated with an antibiotic and has not been on the medication for at least 24 hours before coming to the nursery
- * For your child's protection, we ask that our caregivers to follow the same policy.

Comments, Questions, and Concerns

Please contact Katie Beth McBurnie, Director of Children's Ministry, (kmcburnie@haddonfieldpres.org) with any comments or concerns regarding the Nursery. We welcome your input and are happy to address any concerns or answer any questions you may have