

WEPC NURSERY

PARENT INFORMATION

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Keeping Everyone Healthy

We aim to maintain a safe and healthy nursery through regular cleaning and disinfecting. Please do not place your child in the nursery if they are contagious. The parent/guardian will be contact if the nursery coordinator is concerned that a child is contagious.

Volunteer!

We are always looking for folks to partner in sharing the Gospel with our kids! Volunteers serve as nursery coordinators and room leaders; as teachers or helpers in Preschool Quest, Sunday School, Children's Worship, Kids' Club, VBS, or 4.5 Connect. All volunteers are required to complete safety training, submit to a reference and background check, and their application kept on file at WEPC. Interested? Contact Children's Ministry Director Heather Jarvis at heather@wepc.org.



Welcome!

The nursery at WEPC is open during both Sunday morning services for all children from birth to three years old. We endeavor to create a safe, nurturing place where children can experience the love of God within the covenant community. This happens through play, Bible stories, prayer, and a lot more play!

Our nursery is made up of several age-specific rooms:

- The Beginning: birth to 12 months
- The Ark: 12 mos. (or walking) to 18 months
- The Mountain: 18 - 24 mos.
- The Great Sea: 2 - 2 1/2 years old
- The Wild Earth: 2 1/2 to 3 years old
- The Valley: 3 to 3 1/2 years old
- The Shore: 3 1/2 to 4 years old

The nursery is staffed by a director, eight coordinators, more than 50 room leaders, and hundreds of church members. Our volunteer leaders have completed safety training and background checks; every church member serves in the nursery on a rotating basis.

Sign-In Procedure & Name Tags

Please be sure to sign your child in and out of each service using the clipboard in the doorway of each nursery. The nursery worker will give you your child's nametags. Attach one nametag to the back of your child's clothing, and keep the other nametag to present when picking up your child. Should you be needed during the service, the number on your child's nametag will be displayed on the screens in the sanctuary. Please report to the nursery immediately if your child's number is shown.

Visitors will receive a temporary numbered name tag. A permanent name tag form may be requested from the nursery coordinator.

What to Bring

Children may need items from home during their stay in the nursery. Consider packing:

- 2+ disposable diapers
- a pacifier or comfort item
- a complete change of clothes
- milk, formula, juice or water in a bottle or sippy cup

Food Allergy Safety

In an effort to maintain a safe environment for all children, the WEPC Children's Ministry only provides Rold Gold Pretzels or Joe's Os cereal as a snack. Occasionally, the teachers will provide a different snack, but in all parents will be alerted in advance.

If your child has food allergies, please carefully communicate your child's health concerns with the volunteers each week. You may wish to pack a small snack.

Rold Gold Pretzels Ingredient List [allergen alert: contains wheat]

Enriched Flour (Wheat Flour, Niacin, Reduced Iron, Thiamin Mononitrate, Riboflavin, Folic Acid), Salt, Corn Syrup, Corn Oil, Yeast, Malt Extract, Sodium Bicarbonate, Ammonium Bicarbonate, and Artificial Flavor.

Joe's Os Ingredients List

Whole grain oats (includes oat bran), modified corn starch, sugar, salt, oat fiber, trisodium phosphate, vitamin E (mixed tocopherols) added to preserve freshness. vitamins and minerals: calcium carbonate, ferric orthophosphate (iron source), sodium ascorbate (vitamin c), niacinamide (vitamin b3), vitamin a palmitate, zinc oxide (zinc source), folic acid (vitamin b9), cyanocobalamin (vitamin b12), cholecalciferol (Vitamin b3), thiamin mononitrate (vitamin b1), riboflavin (vitamin b2), pyridoxine hydrochloride (vitamin b6).

Emergencies

If you are needed to care of your child during the service, your child's tag number will be shown on the screens in the sanctuary. If a child cries or fusses inconsolably for 10 minutes, we will page the parent. In the case of an accident, an accident report will be completed and kept on file at the church. Simple first aid kits are available in the nursery.

If the building needs to be evacuated, staff and children will exit the building through the nursery. Pick up your children at the fence on the west side of the building. **DO NOT report to the nursery to collect your child during an evacuation.** Church deacons and elders will report to the nursery to assist in evacuating the children in a quick and orderly fashion.