



# Welcome to the Cobblestone Church Nursery

The nursery is available for children ages 0-5 throughout the worship service and Sunday School hour. Please sign your child in and label your child's belongings and let nursery workers know if he/she has special needs, allergies, etc. Although children officially "graduate" from the nursery when they turn six, younger children are always welcome to worship alongside their parents for all or part of the service if you prefer.

**Age Newborn-1:** When arriving for worship check in your child using the sign in sheet. Make sure that you receive a claim number on a metal tab when you drop your child off in the nursery. We will only give a child to a parent/guardian with the correct claim number.

**Age 2-5:** You may do the same as for children 2 and under or you can sign your child in (not leaving them and not picking up a claim number) and take them into worship to participate, especially in the "Children's Moment" and then you can bring them to the nursery at any time that you desire. At that time you will drop off your child and pick up your claim number.

Parents and guardians who do make use of the nursery during the worship service need to pick their children up just prior to Communion towards the end of the service. (Typically can be done after the Lord's prayer).

**Cell Phones:** We ask for your cellphone number because that is the easiest way to get ahold of you should any concern arise with your child. Please keep your phone on silent/vibrate during the service.

**Sunday School:** On the weeks that we have Sunday School (K-5th grade) and Christian Ed. (for adults) following the service, the nursery will be open for your young ones as well. If you have already signed your child in, just drop them off and pick up the same claim number from earlier. Sunday School is from 11:30-12:15. Please pick your child up promptly at 12:15.

**Safety:** Our Nursery worker was carefully chosen and screened, and was required to complete an infant/child CPR and First Aid course. All of our volunteers also have passed a background check and have been involved with Cobblestone for at least 6 months. As an additional security measure, we ask that you always sign in and check out your child every Sunday. Only workers are permitted to change diapers if another adult is present, and we will contact you if your child needs to use the bathroom (you may want to have them go before the dropping them off). No adult (worker or church member) is permitted to be alone with infants or toddlers, so our environment and routines are designed to enforce this.

**Child Wellness Policy:** We realize that a child's illness can be difficult for parents, and it can be frustrating to rearrange schedules to provide care for a sick child at home. However, we ask that parents consider the well being of other children when considering whether to bring a sick child to church. We have developed the following policy to assist parents and nursery workers:

A child cannot come into the nursery if any of the following is true: the child has a fever or has had a fever in the past 24 hours; has vomited or had diarrhea in the past 24 hours; or has obvious signs of infection or cold symptoms. If your child becomes sick while he or she is in the nursery, you will be contacted quickly.

If you are interested in volunteering to help in the nursery occasionally, please let us know! We believe it's important for the children of our church to interface with different members of their wider church family.