

August 2, 2021

Dear Parents of Two-Year Olds,

You may have begun to introduce your Two-year-old to Sunday School and Worship Care on Sunday mornings. This is a big step for many children and we want to make the transition from the nursery as smooth as possible. If you have not had the opportunity to attend on Sunday mornings, hopefully this letter will give you some insight into what IPC has to offer your child on Sunday mornings.

What is Sunday School? On Sunday mornings at 10:00 am in Room G05 starting Sunday, August 15, your child will meet for faith formation, snack, and play time with the other two-year-old children. This year we are excited to introduce the "Toddler Atrium," where they will hear of God's great love for us using the catechesis method. Catechesis uses Montessori principles of a prepared environment and a child-focused experience to share scripture and our faith practices. Our volunteer teachers for the 2021-2022 school year are IPC members: Maggie and Kyle Cornelius, Chase and Virginia Couch, Margaret Kyle and Kyle Fessler, Ashley and Brad Foster, Sarah and Matt Moody, Rich McRoberts, Koko McCall, Allison Seamon, Mary Beth and Holland Walls, and Ginny and Bubba Willings. When you arrive, you can meet the teachers and help your child get settled. Pick-up is in the same room at 10:50 am, or your child can stay for Worship Care during the 11:00 worship service.

What is Worship Care? Your child may stay in the same Sunday school room through the 11:00 am Worship Service, which is supervised by parent volunteers and childcare employees. The class continues their fellowship and play time without interruption while you attend worship following Sunday School. A Bible story and craft are also included during the Worship Care hour.

We are asking parents to join our childcare staff during the 11:00 Worship Care hour for one Sunday this semester, so that our Two-year-old's can stay together in Room G05 rather than combining with the older preschoolers in Room G08. You will only be asked to serve one Sunday this semester, and it's a great way to get to know other families at IPC with Two-year-old's. A class list is attached with proposed dates for your Sunday morning involvement in Worship Care (just email back if you have a conflict and need to choose another date or feel free to swap with another family).

The mission of Children's Ministries is to create a loving and nurturing environment for children from birth through 6th grade and to provide opportunities for them to grow in their faith, as they become active participants in the church community. We look forward to beginning this faith journey with your child!

Faithfully yours,
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