

Sunday School and Nursery Re-opening

The Cedarcreek staff and Children's Ministry Volunteers are working to provide a safe and welcoming environment to those who choose to utilize the Sunday morning Children's Ministries. As our team has worked through concerns and questions regarding reopening our Children's Ministries we understand there are many ways to approach reopening. It's important to acknowledge that each parent has an individual responsibility in determining if they are comfortable with the measures put in place and whether or not they choose to utilize the Children's Ministry on a Sunday morning. It's also important to acknowledge that we cannot provide a risk-free environment where exposure to illness is eradicated.

As of December 2020, we are aiming to re-open and our Sunday School program in January of 2021. Please note that changes to that date is possible.

Listed below are our practices and recommendations for parents:

Staffing:

During this tumultuous time, we recognize that staffing both the Sunday School and Nursery with volunteers presents even greater difficulties. Due to these difficulties we ask that you bear with if/when we are unable to staff a particular children's ministry. We will continue to offer kid friendly "Kids Corners" in the sanctuary for families to use as well as "wobble rooms" (located in the Sunday School hall) where the service will be live-streamed.

Classroom Size Limits:

We are limiting Sunday School classrooms to 15 students and each Nursery room to 8 children and 2 adults. Unfortunately, that means that we may not have the ability to accept all children into the Children's Wing.

Facemasks:

We are recommending that all children ages 5 and older wear a mask. We are also recommending that all volunteers wear face masks.

Illness:

If your child is displaying a fever, runny nose, or cough we ask that you keep the child out of the Children's Wing.

Check-In Systems:

Our KidMin check-in system can provide a way of securely signing children into the Children's Wing with minimal contact. We encourage parents to download the KidMin app and utilize the electronic sign-in feature in order to minimize contact with other individuals.

Hand Sanitizing:

Upon entering the Children's Wing we encourage both parents and children to use the provided hand sanitizer to reduce the spread of germs.

Parents in the Children's Wing:

We are asking that only one parent drop off and pick children up from the children's wing in order to minimize the number of individuals in the hallways and rooms.

Toys:

Our nursery volunteers have sorted through and reduced some of the toys in the Nursery. We will be using kid friendly sanitizing products on toys and surfaces after each time the nursery is used.

Cleaning:

Sanitation of the children's spaces is important. Our custodial staff is prioritizing the sanitation of high contact surfaces. In addition, we are asking all volunteers to spray all toys used in the children's wing with sanitizing sprays after the children have left.