

Southminster Presbyterian Church, Beaverton, OR.

Children & Family Ministries Overview

Children are valued at Southminster and their journey of faith is important to us. Each Sunday, children aged 3 and up are invited to join the beginning of the 10:00 a.m. worship service and have a time with one of our pastors or the Children's Ministry Coordinator. They are then excused to go to their classes and may be picked up following the worship service.

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Please – for children's safety! Ensure all children are signed in and out of their programs. Nursery sign-in sheets are in the nursery; sign-in your older child before services on the sheets located in the narthex. *Sign children out when you pick them up!*

Infant and toddler care in the nursery is provided for infants and toddlers from birth through age 2. Nursery care is provided from 9:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings and at other events when noted.

Children ages 3-6 grade attend *Godly Play*, a Montessori-based program developed in the Anglican tradition that acquaints children with the basic stories and rituals of the Christian faith (note: 6 yr. olds and/or 1st graders can opt into Godly Play or Joyful Path).

Children in 2nd through 4th grades attend *A Joyful Path*, a curriculum created by the Center for Progressive Christianity, which, within a Christian context, helps prepare children for the moral and spiritual issues they will face throughout their lives.

Both age groups attend the first part of worship with their families, have a special children's lesson from the pastor, and leave for their own programs with their teachers around 10:15am. Children's classes end at 11:15am, and children may be picked up in rooms 6 and 8.

Children's Choir

Children in grades 1-5 are invited to be a part of the All Star Choir. The choir meets on most Sundays at 11:30 a.m. in the Music Hall. The choir performs in worship 3-4 times per year and is directed by staff member, Dee Willson.

Kidszone: Special and FUN Happenings

Children & Families are invited to participate in many activities throughout the year. Special events are planned at least quarterly. Check out our website, www.southm.org/children&families, peruse the children's bulletin boards or talk with Andrew, our Children's Ministry Coordinator, for details.

Summer M.A.D. Camp

We offer a low-cost music & arts camp for children. See website for more details.