

How do I check in my child?

- Parents are responsible to sign in at the check-in desk. The check-in desk is where you'll register any needs your child will have that morning, like when he should be fed or if she needs a nap. This is also the place to alert the volunteers to any allergies your child may have.
- After registering your child a preschool volunteer will take your child to his/her room, and you can pick up your child at the same desk at any time.
- Unfortunately, no one is allowed behind the desk except preschoolers and preschool volunteers; this includes parents, grandparents, guardians, siblings, etc.
- Please be understanding of this policy and help us keep all our kids safe, secure and happy!
- Parents are asked to remain on church property when their child is in our care.

Are my children welcome in the worship service?

- YES! We welcome (and even encourage) all children to worship with their parents in our services.
- Our library and lobbies are outfitted with speakers playing the service, specifically for parents who need to feed their babies or need some space with restless kids.

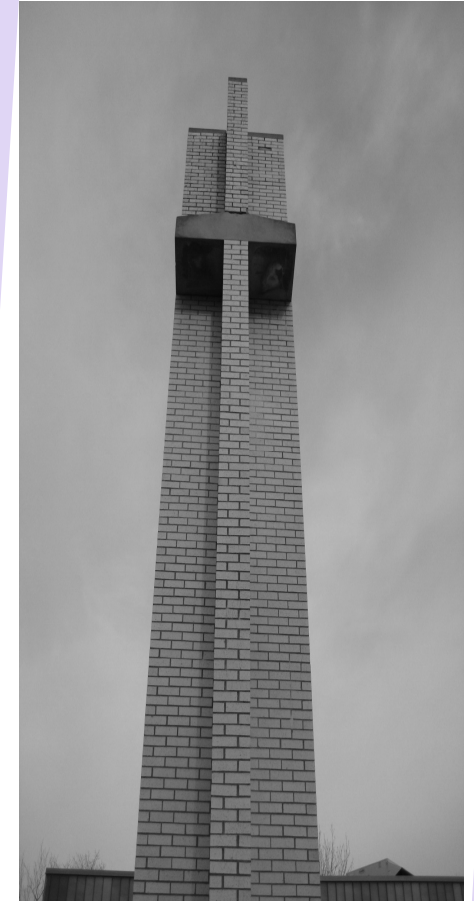
Some more helpful tips for parents:

- Consistent church participation helps children develop a sense of trust and security.
- Talk to your child about coming to church and create the excitement for him.
- Please take a pager when checking your child in at the counter.
- Communicate with leaders any allergies or special needs.
- If your child becomes upset, remind her in a kind voice that you are going to church and will be back soon.
- If your child continues to be excessively unhappy we will notify you (we default to a 10 minute cry rule).
- Help your child develop "church security" by picking him up promptly after the service.



Questions? Please contact Dave Hinkley (517.351.6810), Megan Brus (517.204.0429) or Christy Duffy (517.316.5272). You may email your questions to

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A Parent's Guide to the Preschool Ministry at URC

Will my child receive a snack?

- Newborns will only receive a bottle if one is provided and the need is noted on the sign-in sheet.
- Crawlers will be given a snack or sippy cup if one is provided and it is noted on the sign-in sheet.
- The toddler snack will be snack crackers and water.
- We are a nut free zone and do not serve snacks with nuts or nut traces.
- Please be sure to write down any allergies your child has on the sign-in sheet.



What safety measures are in place at URC?

- Our volunteers are trained to handle emergencies. In case of a fire, meet your child outside of the building in the parking lot next to the Ministries House. In case of tornado the preschoolers will be gathered into Room

100. Also, in the event of an emergency the preschool wing can be sealed to outsiders.

- Surface areas and baby toys are disinfected after each session.

What level of Bible teaching will my child receive?

- Our babies & crawlers enjoy simple songs, story books and loving-care from our volunteers.
- Toddlers will hear songs and be taught a Bible lesson.

Who staffs the nursery?

- Most of our workers are parents of children in your child's class, or other loving adults and teens who have a heart for our littlest ones.
- Each volunteer has gone through a thorough screening process, which involves training and a background check.

What should I bring for my child?

- Diaper bag with diaper and wipes.
- Pull Ups if you are potty training.
- Complete change of clothes.
- If you bring a cup, please label it with your child's name.

- If a pacifier is needed, make sure it is attached to your child's shirt with a clip.

What are the health policies for the classrooms?

We are unable to accept children who exhibit the following symptoms: (even if on medication)

- Any colored discharge from the nose
- Clear runny nose (not associated with allergies or teething)
- Coughing/Sneezing Any discharge from the eyes
- A body rash (excluding diaper rash)
- Any childhood diseases

Or children who, within the past 24 hours, have had:

- Fever
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Antibiotics within the past 48 hours

Please cover all scrapes and cuts with a bandage prior to dropping off your child. Thank you!

