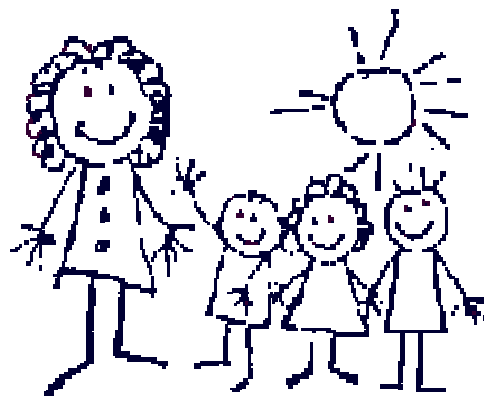


Christ United Methodist Preschool



2010-2011 Program Guide

For 43 years, the purpose of Christ United Methodist Preschool has been to provide children with a Christ-centered environment that allows them the freedom to learn more about the world and themselves. As we are a Christian Preschool we include in our curriculum monthly Bible stories, religious significance of holidays and basic Biblical truths. We recognize each child as an individual with different needs and characteristics. We provide a diversified preschool program that is **FUN, EXCITING**, and **STIMULATING** through age-appropriate activities which enhance each child's unique social, intellectual, emotional, and physical abilities.

We are blessed to have a staff of loving individuals with many years of experience in Early Childhood Development. They are devoted to making your child's first school experience a positive one, because we know that it will lay the foundation for the many years of schooling, which will follow.

The goals of the **Three Year Old classes, Four Year Old classes, and the Pre-K class** are that through the use of structured daily activities, art projects, field trips and speakers, children will learn to socialize easily with other children, explore their creative abilities and stretch their imaginations. An integral part of our curriculum is the teaching of School Readiness Skills (being able to stand in line, learning to listen and follow simple directions, getting used to a daily routine, numbers, letters, phonics, shapes, colors, name recognition, and so on), which will help to make the transition to Kindergarten easier for your child. There are many opportunities for you to share in your child's class experience. You will come on field trips, may come into school to help with special projects, will be asked to provide the snack & drink about once every month, and you may attend holiday festivities. You are welcome to observe the classroom at anytime.

The Millcreek School District and the Erie School District require a child to reach the age of **FIVE** by September 1st before entering Kindergarten. We also follow this cutoff date. A child **MUST** be **THREE** years old by September 1st for the Three Year Old classes and **FOUR** years old by September 1st for the Four Year Old classes. Children entering the Pre-k class should be **FIVE** or developmentally ready for the challenges of this class. Children will be assessed before entering the Pre-K class.

As a parent of a child who is three or four years old, you may wonder, "Is my child ready for school?" Only the parents know for sure. The answers to the following questions can be helpful in making that determination.

"Does my child suffer from extreme separation anxiety?"

"Does my child know when he/she needs to use the bathroom without being prompted?"

"Is my child looking forward to coming to school?"

We hope that you think that Christ U. M. Preschool is as special as we do and wish to entrust us with the care and nurturing of your precious child during the 2010-2011 school year. If you wish to enroll your child in one of our classes, then please complete the enclosed **Registration and Information Sheet** (front & back) and the **Permission Form**, which should then be returned, along with the **\$35 registration fee** to the address listed on the bottom of the sheet. **Tuition for September is due on August 2nd** (or pay with registration fee). You will be notified if the classes are full, otherwise you may assume that your child is officially enrolled.

A final confirmation card will be sent in the beginning of August to remind you of our **Parent's Information Meeting** for **ALL** classes. During this meeting you will have the opportunity to meet the staff and hear more about the specifics of the program. Please arrange care for your child as this meeting is for parents only. The **First Day of School** for **ALL** classes will be held on **September 13th or 14th**, morning classes will be held from 9:00-10:30 a.m., afternoon class held from 12:30-2:00 p.m, and the Pre-K class held from 12:00-2:15pm. This is the day we consider to be a Student Orientation Day. Parents are welcome to stay as their child meets the teacher, makes friends with the other students, and becomes comfortable in the classroom environment. (Each year we offer refreshments during the Student Orientation Day for parents. This is a great opportunity for you as parents to meet the other parents in your child's class.) The first full day of school will be on **September 15th or 16th** and **October's tuition payment will be due on the first day of school in September.**



A complete listing of tuition rates, class times, and other pertinent information is included on the back of this brochure. If you need further information regarding the preschool program or a tour of our school, please feel free to call the Preschool Office during school hours at 838-8918 and speak to our Director, Leigh Ann Gigliotti. Tours are available during regular preschool hours. We are proud of our program and want you to see us in action. We look forward to meeting and getting to know you and your child in the coming year.

This page contains five questions regarding permission for the Preschool to take photos/ videos of your child during parties, field trips, or interesting projects (the pictures/videos will be shown during the preschool's Family Fun Night in the spring), to take your child on the field trips we attend each year, to print the parents' names and phone number on the class list we send home with each student in the fall, and to place photos on the church web page.

You will be notified of each field trip through the monthly newsletters and bulletin board reminders. All transportation for field trips is provided by parent drivers. Children aged 8 and under MUST have a car/booster seat. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Please fill out this entire page and return it along with your Registration Form. It will be kept on file throughout the year in the preschool office.

Please check off the appropriate boxes, then sign and date the form.

- I give Christ United Methodist Preschool permission to take photos or videos of my child. The photos and/or videos will NOT be released to the press without specific written consent.
- I understand that in order for my child to attend Field Trips an adult must provide his/her transportation and remain in attendance with said child.
- Please include our names (parents) and email address on my child's class listing of all the students' names, addresses and phone numbers. If this box is not checked, your names will not be included next to your child's name.
- We have an unlisted phone number, please do not include it on the class list.
- I **deny** permission to Christ U. M. Church to use a photo of my child involved in preschool activities on their web page. I understand that no child's name or any other information regarding them will be given.

Child's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian

Date

CHRIST U. M. PRESCHOOL

REGISTRATION & INFORMATION SHEET

Child's Name _____

Name To Be Used on Name Tags _____

Address _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Birth Date _____ Sex _____

Email Address _____

Father's Name _____ Cell # _____

Occupation _____ Work Phone _____

Mother's Name _____ Cell # _____

Occupation _____ Work Phone _____

Child lives with: Both Parents _____ Mother _____ Father _____ Other _____

Please list any siblings:

Brother(s) names _____ Their Ages _____

Sister(s) names _____ Their Ages _____

Church Affiliation _____

Enrollment is on a "first-come, first-serve" basis. To ensure that your class is available for your child, please register early. Please mark your 1st and 2nd choice for which class you would like to enroll your child.

CLASS PREFERENCE:

3 Years Old	Monday, Wednesday, & Friday	Mornings	_____
3 Years Old	Tuesday & Thursday	Mornings	_____
4 Years Old	Monday, Wednesday, & Friday	Mornings	_____
4 Years Old	Monday, Wednesday, & Friday	Afternoons	_____
Pre-K Class	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday	Afternoons	_____

Mail with \$35 registration fee to: **Christ United Methodist Preschool**
2615 West 32nd Street, Erie, PA 16506

***Reminder- September's tuition payment is due on August 2nd. Please mail to the address above.**

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY: Please list **two** people (**other than the parents**) to contact if the parents cannot be reached at home, work, or on their cell phones:

Name _____ Ph# _____ Relationship to child _____

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Please list any allergies & their reactions (ex. *milk allergy - stomach ache*), special needs or disabilities of which we should be aware: _____

Please list any previous school experience your child has had: _____

Has there been any home experience that might affect your child's behavior in school such as a death, frequent moves, divorce, recent births, etc.? _____

STUDENT RELEASE FORM

Special instructions/restrictions concerning dismissal and pick-up procedure for your child:

The first time your child is picked up by a new person, we will check the Driver's License in order to verify the identity. If the Adult is included in the list below, your child will be released to the Adult. If the Adult is not listed below, then your child will **NOT** be released to the Adult. If you know ahead of time that an Adult, who is not listed below, will be picking up your child, you **MUST** provide a written note to your child's teacher. If this is a "last minute" change, you **MUST** call the office and speak to the Director personally. Any Adult not listed, will be asked to provide their Drivers License to be copied, and sign a form which states that your child is being released to him/her, once we verify permission from the parents. Please read the extended policy in your child's handbook which you will receive on Parent Night.

For the safety of ALL students we will strictly follow this policy.

Please list 2 individuals **and** parents/guardians who have permission to pick up your child from school.

Name _____ MOM _____

Name _____ DAD _____

Name _____ Relationship _____

Name _____ Relationship _____

Are there any custodial issues which we need to be aware of? _____

I understand the rules for picking up students at Christ United Methodist Pre-School.

Parent/Guardian

Date

Maximum Class Size:

All 3 & 4 -16 students with one Teacher and one Assistant

Pre-K Classes – 14 students with one Teacher and one Assistant

Tuition Cost:

Two Day Classes	\$ 70.00 per month
Three Day Classes	\$ 90.00 per month
Pre-K Class	\$105.00 per month
Registration Fee (<u>non-refundable</u>)	\$ 35.00 per year

There is a 10% discount for Christ U. M. Church members who regularly attend worship. For families with more than one child in our program, the first child is full price and each additional child will receive a 10% discount on his/her tuition.

Class Schedules:**Three-Year-Old Classes**

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday mornings	9:00-11:20 a.m.
Tuesday & Thursday mornings	9:00-11:20 a.m.

Four-Year-Old Classes

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday mornings	9:00-11:20 a.m.
Monday, Wednesday, & Friday afternoons	12:30-2:50 p.m.

Pre-K Class

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday afternoons 12:00-3:00 p.m.

Enrichment Program (4's & Pre-K students)

Second Tuesday each month (\$10.00 fee) 9:00-12:00 p.m.

School Year:

September Tuition Payment Due	Monday, August 2 nd
Parents Information Mtg. <u>for all classes</u>	Wednesday, September 8 th at 7 p.m.
First Day of School for M-W-F Classes	Monday, September 13 th
First Day of School for T-Th Classes	Tuesday, September 14 th
May Tuition Payment Due (Last Payment for the Year ☺)	Tuesday, April 8 th
Last Day of School for M-W-F Classes	Wednesday, May 23 rd
Last Day of School for T-Th Classes	Thursday, May 24 th
Waldameer School Picnic	Friday, May 25 th