



Dear NPC Parent:

We are excited to announce plans to re-open the nursery at NPC and begin in-person Sunday School for those age 2 and above. We'd like to share information on both with you.

Nurseries

We are thrilled to re-open the nurseries in our new spaces within the church! **Our first Sunday will be September 5, 2021.**

The **Crib Nursery** will be available for all infants to solid walkers. The **Toddler Nursery** will be available for all solid walkers through children who are 4 years old. We are looking forward to welcoming your little one.

To find the new crib nursery and the new toddler nursery, take the elevator to the second floor of the main church building. After exiting the elevator, turn left and walk past the central staircase. You will find a volunteer with a check-in station for the nursery before the door. After completing the check-in process, proceed through the door and the nurseries will be on your left.

We are dedicated to nurturing your child in a safe and caring environment. To meet this goal, the following protocols will be in place:

- All caregivers are required to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19, and will be masked at all times while in the church building. Volunteers will not be used in any child care roles at this time.
- Upon arrival, your child's temperature will be taken. Children will not be able to enter the nursery if their temperature is 100.0 or higher.
- Children will not be able to enter if they have any signs of illness, such as runny nose or cough.
- Under DC law, children 2 and older will be required to wear a mask, unless eating/drinking. We will have an extra stash of disposable child sized masks on hand if you forget. As a reminder, DC and the church also require masks for all adults on Sundays.
- Toys and surfaces will be cleaned and sanitized throughout the morning, and again when we close for the day.
- Blankets or plush animals will not be offered at the nursery. Please bring your own blanket or plushie with you to the nursery should your child need these to be more comfortable.

Please do not bring your child to the nursery if they have not been fever-free for 24 hours, or if they have experienced diarrhea or vomiting. In addition, please do not come to the nursery if your child or any member of the household has been in close contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19, or if the child or any member of the household is awaiting COVID-19 test results.

If it is necessary, you may bring in a snack or bottle for your child. Please note, only the following snacks are allowed: yogurt, squeezables, and puffs. This is to keep everyone safe in our communal environment. Please remember water for your little one as well!

Our committed caregiving team will be back to welcome your little one. Jessel Lansang and Cleo McKnight will be managing the Crib Nursery. Marie Rose and Madeleine Senghor will be taking care of the children in the Toddler Nursery. Our 2's/3's Sunday school class will also be staffed with 2 caregivers each Sunday to assist the class.

Sunday School

We are also happy to return to in-person Sunday School. This young age is a great time to introduce Sunday School to your child. It helps them understand that God loves them, learn that Sunday School is fun and introduces them to friends who will be their classmates in Sunday School as they grow!

Sunday School classes will begin on **September 12, 2021** for all children ages 2 and above. We offer two classes for preschoolers: a 2's/3's class and a 4's class. **Both classes are held from 9:55 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. in the National Presbyterian School Building**, along with the other Children Sunday School classes.

When you arrive at the school building, there will be a check-in station and then you will be directed to the correct classroom to drop off your student. You may also check in at the check-in stations in the main church building. There will be a check-in station inside the porte-cochere door and another station on the second floor, outside the hallway to the nurseries. Please note, per DC law and church policy, masks will be required for everyone age 2 and above. Also, no snacks will be offered during the class.

The 2's/3's class is comprised of students who will be two by September 30, 2021 while the 4's class is comprised of students who will be four years old by September 30, 2021. Adhering to this date allows the kids to progress through Sunday School at the same rate as they progress through the academic school grades. We hope these friendships that begin in these classes will continue to be a blessing throughout their years here.

Thank you for entrusting the care of your child to us. We are excited to see you and your family again and look forward to showing God's love to the littlest members of our church family!

Warmly,

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