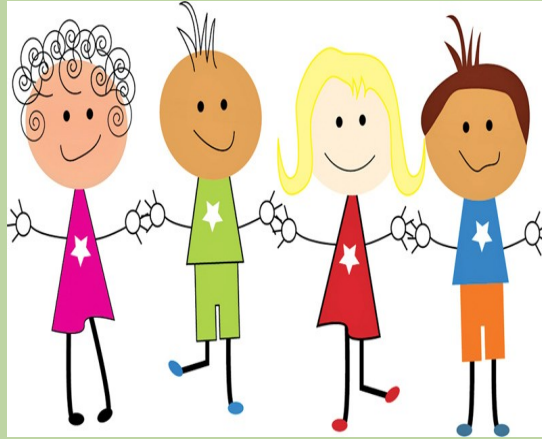


FIRST UNITED METHODIST PRESCHOOL

**Little Hands.
Big Achievements.**



A Preschool program that provides a warm, nurturing, yet challenging environment in which children can grow and develop physically, mentally, socially, emotionally, and spiritually.

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LITTLE HANDS, BIG ACHIEVEMENTS

First United Methodist Preschool has been an outreach of First United Methodist Church since 1967.

We recognize the importance of play and develop our curriculum around it by weekly themed topics. Our program supports self exploration, socialization, and decision making by the child. It is all about exposure in a fun, playful, hands-on way!

First United Methodist Preschool does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, color, or national/ethnic origin.

The philosophy of our development program is that children learn through play. Preschool activities alternate between teacher-directed, child-directed, and small group events. A daily routine is followed to provide consistency and stability.

Stories, music, art, games and many other hands-on-learning activities are included in our program. We believe that children grow through discovery play and an investigation of things in their world. Through this approach, we strive to instill a love of learning in the children, to prepare them with the social skills they need to be successful, and to help them progress through developmental stages.



2 ½ Year Old Class

The program stresses interaction with children and adults, learning to separate from parents, and functioning within a classroom setting. Social/emotional development during this period is about socialization-the process by which children learn the values and behaviors accepted by society. It is also about becoming a competent and confident person. Two/three and five days offered.

K3

The focus of this program is social development. Three's are often described as being in transition. Three-year olds are learning to trust their parents, teachers, and other important people in their lives that will take good care of them. Children practice the skills of cooperation, sharing, and problem solving techniques as they operate within a group. Two/three or five days offered.

K4

Four-year olds are working on many of the same developmental tasks as 3's, but at a higher level. Four's are a wonderful mix of independence and sociability. They like doing things on their own. The program provides developmentally appropriate activities which includes Kindergarten readiness skills.



The Preschool Program provides developmentally appropriate child care in an age-blended classroom which includes 30 minutes of outside play each day, weather permitting, weekly chapel and music, field trips, classroom celebrations and library time.

Although denomination doctrines are not taught at First United Preschool, basic Christian values are presented as part of the daily routine, such as: grace before eating and Bible stories as part of our curriculum.

We offer 2, 3, and 5 days per week. School hours are 9:00 am—12:30 pm. We also offer Lunch Bunch on Wednesday and Thursday from 12:30-1:30 pm.

Should you have any questions about our school or our program, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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