



April 2017

Parent Newsletter

For Kids!

Children's Circle Preschool of Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis



Letter from Cara Paul, Director

Dear Parents,

On April 1, my baby will turn 18. I will officially be the mother of two fully functioning adults! My husband and I are blessed with two sweet girls who work hard, have a relationship with God and have a healthy relationship with us. It hasn't always been easy. Sometimes it has been pretty rough, but we've all stuck together and make a pretty awesome team.

When the girls were toddlers, I was a very tense mom. I had a real need to control everything from their behavior

to how they looked. I was working so hard to be the "I've got it all together" mom, that I lost sight of the truly important things. I was focused on the "to-do" list and was missing opportunities from the "just be" list. I'm not sure when things started to change- there was no light bulb moment, but over time I learned to let go of some things and slow down. I have learned to listen to my kids more than I talk to them, to just be in their presence and enjoy them, and to always be ready with a hug. Strangely enough, I really feel I have spent

more quality time with them the past couple years than back in their younger years. The fact that my freshman in college texts me every day says something's going right!

While a parent's work is never really done, I guess I'm through the "in the trenches" work. My girls are ready to take on the world and they have the full support of their mom and dad behind them. Whatever the future brings, I feel they are ready...but hopefully they will always need their mom.

Blessings, *Cara*

What's Up With That?

Why do wild animals live at the Zoo?

Sometimes I feel sad when I see animals at the zoo. I wonder if the animal wishes it was free to go where it pleases. I wonder, why is it important to have animals live at the zoo?

The people that work at the zoo love animals. By studying animals up close, Zoologists can help find ways to help them survive in their "real" homes.

Visiting a good zoo teaches you and me to appreciate the beauty and the needs of animals. It also reminds us that we need to take care of our planet because the animals live here too.

Even wild animals that live in your backyard need help!

What can we do?

We can clean up trash and use items that don't hurt the earth.

We can learn ways to understand how to protect animals and the places they live. What is one thing you can do to help?



Happening this Month!

2017 Summer School

*Passports Ready!
The Places We'll Go!*

5/30-6/22

Tuesdays & Thursdays
9am-1pm

Registration closes April 13th!

CCP Closed

Spring Break April 3rd-7th

Good Friday April, 14th

Happy Easter!

He is risen indeed!



PS/PK Donuts with Dads

9-9:30a.m.

Wednesday, April 12th

PS3A, PS3C, PKA & PKC

Thursday, April 13th

PS3B, PS3D, PKB

*Enjoy donuts, meeting other
dads and special surprises!*

Speech & Hearing Screenings

Young 3's, PS3's, PK children.

Watch for details from your
child's teacher!

Important Calendar Dates 2017

April 3-7	Closed-Spring Break
April 14	Closed-Good Friday
May 15-19	Last Week of 2016-17 school year
May 30-June 22	Summer School (Tuesdays & Thursdays)
June 26-June 30	2nd Church Vacation Bible School

2017-18 First Semester Dates

August 21-25	Orientation Days Begin (details home later!)
August 28	Full Days Begin
September 4	Labor Day Closed
November 3	Church Bazaar Closed
November 23 & 24	Thanksgiving Closed
December 22	Begin Christmas Break Closed

April Book Window:

A Color of His own
By Leo Lionni
Presented by Young 3's

Bible Time Adventure:

Joseph and His Dreams

The children will be hearing the story of Joseph. During his lifetime, Joseph encountered many trying and difficult situations. In these stories, we will learn that God helps us in hard times. He helps us to do our best and he helps us to help others!

Please Take Note!


- The Fire Marshal has asked that we NOT park along curbs at drop off & pick up.
- Please save the handicapped spots for those who really need them.
- Remind your children that it is important that they stay close to an adult as they enter and exit the building **as well as** in the Parking Lot.
- **Do not** leave children unattended in your car!
- Don't leave valuables in your car!



Happening at Second Church!


Wednesday Night Kids Club! *A World of Holy Promise People*

6:30p.m. Room 309

 Ages 5 yrs. through 5th grade

See Karen A. for details!

Family Concert VBS Sing Along!! Friday, April 28th McFarland Hall

Join together for pizza at 6:00p.m.
CCP's Karen Archbold, Kristy Haynie and the VBS Band will lead us in a sing along of familiar hymns and VBS songs! 



Vacation Bible School *Planting the Seeds of Faith* *Little Things That Turn Out BIG!*

June 26-30

Register now for this summer's fun and exciting week of Vacation Bible School. VBS is open to all children ages 4 (by 9/1/17) through 5th grade (currently).

Many of CCP's teachers volunteer with VBS. Mrs. Leithauser, Mrs. Archbold, Ms. Haynie, Mrs. VanMeter and Mrs. Flener just to name a few! See Karen Archbold in the office with questions and ways to volunteer!!

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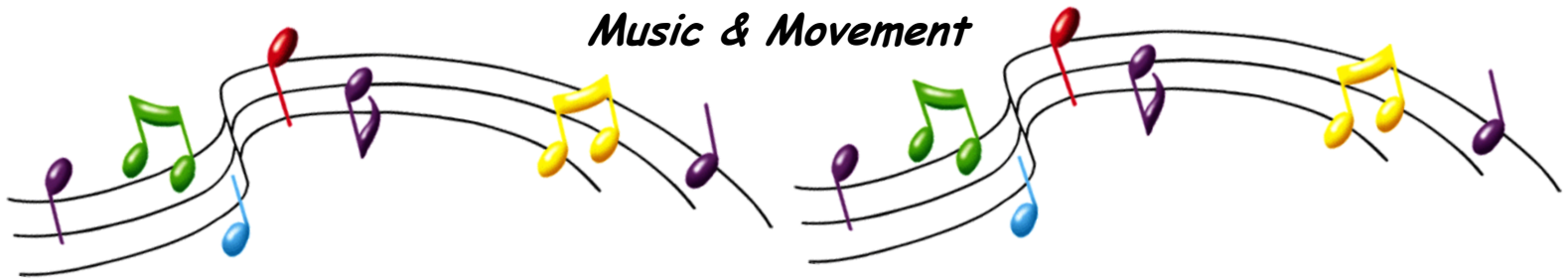
Second Presbyterian Church is a community of faith that welcomes families of all faith backgrounds!

Register online today at
www.secondchurch.org/VBS

April

Children's Circle Preschool

Music & Movement



This Month's Theme: Rain, Spring & Easter



Eastertime (Row, Row, Row Your Boat)

It is Eastertime
Bunnies touch your nose.
Clap your hands and wiggle your ears
Smile and tap your toes!

Story Rhyme

Once there was a bunny
And a green, green cabbage head.
"I think I'll have some breakfast," the little bunny said.
So he nibbled and he nibbled,
Then he turned around to say,
"I think it's time for me to be hopping on my way."

Clouds (Twinkle, Twinkle)

When I look into the sky,
I can see the clouds go by.
They don't ever make a sound,
Letting wind push them around.
Some go fast and some go slow,
I wonder where the clouds all go.

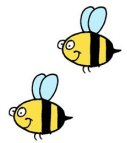


Raining (Are You Sleeping?)

It is raining, It is raining,
On my head, on my head.
Pitter patter raindrops (repeat)
I'm all wet. I'm all wet!

Spring (Twinkle, Twinkle)

Birds fly high and bees fly low,
Caterpillars crawl and rivers flow.
Cats meow and cows go moo,
Puppies bark and babies coo
So many things to see and hear
I use my eyes and I use my ears.



Raindrops (Eensy, Weensy, Spider)

Some eensy, weensy raindrops are falling from the sky.
They're filling up the puddles and dropping in my eyes.
Drip, drip, & drop, drop, I love to hear them fall.
For the eensy, weensy raindrops mean fun for us all.

Finger Plays: Little Yellow Duck & Family of Rabbits

Nursery Rhymes: Little Bo Peep, Little Boy