

F.A.Q. Frequently Asked Questions

Who can attend the Preschool?

Any child, regardless of race, creed, nationality, ethnicity, or religion is welcome to enroll.

Must I be a member of Bethlehem United Methodist Church or another church for my child to attend? *No. While the curriculum is Christ centered, formal membership of a church is not required.*

May parents have open access to our child's teacher? *Absolutely. One of the core convictions of our philosophy of education is that we support and encourage the home and work with the parents in the nurture of their children.*

May we participate in the worship, Sunday School, and other activities of Bethlehem United Methodist Church even if we are not members? *Of course! Everyone is welcome to attend worship each and every Sunday and your children are more than welcome to participate in the dynamic Children's Ministry BUMC has to offer.*

Karen Palaio Preschool Director

Tim Kriebel, Senior Pastor

Tom Wolff, Executive & Youth Pastor

Josh Shaffer, Children's Pastor



Bethlehem United Methodist Church

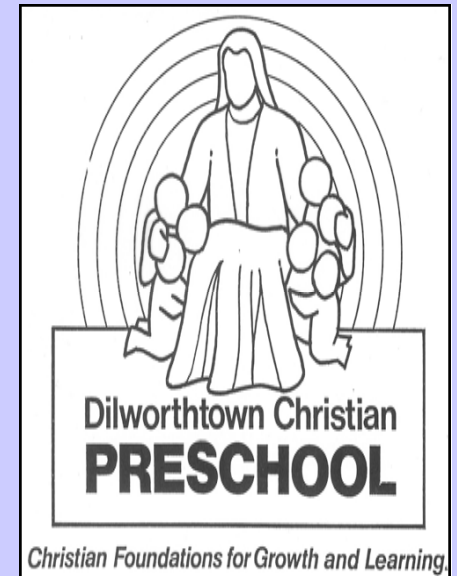
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Dilworthtown Christian Preschool – *Christian Foundations for Growth and Learning*

Our Philosophy: An early childhood experience of learning which is solidly founded on the Christian faith and life provides rich growth in the areas of academics, social skills, physical growth, and spiritual life. An education rooted in that way also seeks to develop in the child an understanding of God's love and grace which hopefully leads them to



begin to sense God's purpose and direction for their life. The centrality of the way of Jesus and the Christian

Scriptures grounds both our teachers and curriculum, as well as directs the whole of this important ministry.

"But Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the Kingdom of Heaven belongs.'"
Matthew 19:14

Our Objectives: We seek to provide every child with a sense of consistency, love, discipline, and joy which hopefully will foster in them a feeling of success, responsibility, and fulfillment. We seek to grow our students both intellectually, spiritually, emotionally, and physically by:



- Encouraging the child to develop muscular coordination and control, his/her senses, vocabulary, independent thinking, creativity, and obedience.
- Helping the child to learn the social skills of sharing, taking turns, and consideration of others.
- Teaching the academic skills associated with color and shape recognition, number recognition and understanding, alphabet recognition and sounds, reproducing numbers and letters in both upper and lower case, and the beginning of word recognition.



- Encouraging the creative process through puppetry, storytelling, handwork, crafts, and other play activities.
- Developing faith and trust in Jesus Christ and in the nurturing of confidence in the child as a creation of a good and holy God.



"Reverence for the Lord is the beginning of knowledge."
Proverbs 1:7

Scheduled Classes Fall 2009

- 2's: Two days/week
- 3's: Two or three days/week
- 4's: Three, four or five days/week
- 5's: Three, four or five days/week