

Nursery Cleanliness

1. Non-toxic cleaning supplies will be available to nursery workers, but out of the reach of children.
2. Nursery carpets, floors, and furniture will be thoroughly cleaned on a regular basis.
3. The nursery coordinator will wash changing table covers, stuffed animals, and toys on a regular basis with non-toxic agents.
4. Disinfectant hand cleaners will be available for care givers.

Nursery Safety

1. There will be two Emergency exits available, marked and known to caregivers. All electrical outlets will be covered; no toys with very small objects that can be swallowed will be in nursery (If a toy is small enough to fit through a toilet paper tube, it will not be set out for children).
2. The nursery coordinator will be certified in CPR for infants and small children.
3. No medications will be administered by caregivers.
4. No sick children will be allowed in nursery (sore throat, cough, cold, fever, childhood disease, head lice).
5. A committee including at least one parent and one vestry liaison will oversee the nursery.
6. All adults who work in the nursery will be COR'ed.
7. We strive to have at least two caregivers be present at all times in the nursery.
8. The door will remain open when the nursery is open.
9. All nursery caregivers will go through an orientation before working in the nursery and complete Safe Church Training offered by the Diocese of Massachusetts.
10. Floors will be checked regularly for hazards such as coins, marbles, safety pins, jewelry, buttons, crayons, nails.
11. Emergency exits and key phone numbers, including poison control, will be posted.
12. A stick-on nametag will be put on each child's back when they arrive, so caregivers can address the child by name.
13. Caretakers will wear non-latex gloves when changing diapers.

Guidelines for Parents of Infants and Toddlers in Nursery

1. Please do not bring food into the nursery. Bottles are OK, as long as they are clearly labeled, and the caregivers know when they should be given to child.
2. The same parent or caregiver who takes the child to the nursery should pick him or her up until the caregivers get to know your family. Children will be signed in when they arrive.
3. Please label your child's diaper bag, bottle, spare clothing, etc.
4. Parents are free to come and go throughout the worship service. Feel free to check on your child, take them up for communion, etc.
5. When a child is signed in, please list your cell phone number. Set your cell phone on vibrate, and keep it nearby, so that caregivers can contact you during the service.
6. Children are always welcome in worship at CGS. If you would prefer to keep your child with you, please feel free to do so.