## 2019-2020 First United Methodist Church Weekday School Enrollment Packet

Dear Parents,



Welcome to First United Methodist Church Weekday School (WDS), a Tennessee licensed child care center. An exciting new year awaits, and we are so blessed that you have chosen to enroll your child in this Christ-centered program. The 2019-2020 school year will bring many changes that will better serve the needs of the families in our community. This year promises to be one filled with joy and discovery as your child works and plays in an environment that is warm, safe, and challenging.

WDS, a ministry of First United Methodist Church of Columbia, TN, is a non-profit program which offers services for children 18 months (by August 15th) to kindergarten age in the following classes: young twos, twos, threes and fours. Our class sizes will follow the Tennessee Department of Human Services requirements for child care centers. These guidelines, as well as other specifications by which our program will abide, may be viewed at https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/human-services/documents/CenterSumMay2017.pdf. The WDS, located in the education wing of the church, is accessible through the High Street entrance. Our goal is to serve a new generation of families by equipping children with necessary skills to grow and develop during their formative years.

The program operates **five** days per week, Monday-Friday, 9 AM until 2 PM, with a *Stay-and-Play* option from 2pm until 4pm. We are exploring offering early drop off. Please indicate your interest on the pre-registration form.

With the importance that is being attached to the early-childhood years today, you will want to know as much as possible about our purpose and curriculum before enrolling your child. We are so excited to announce that we will be adopting resources that will enhance the preschool learning community/environment. Large-group chapel experience will occur each week, as well as developmentally appropriate learning centers to reinforce biblical lessons. Each learning center is designed to channel a preschooler's innate desires to move, create, and explore. WDS values communication between parents and teachers; together WE make a team that best nurtures your child.

Tuition Schedule			Stay-and-Play
5 day-	3 day-	2 day –	2pm – 4pm
\$275/month	\$215/month	\$175/month	\$10/daily
Monday	Monday	Tuesday	Monday
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Tuesday
Wednesday	Friday		Wednesday
Thursday			Thursday
Friday			Friday

Stay-and-Play option: 2pm-4pm

\$10 total per day (For any amount of time between those hours)

Yearly Snack Fee \$25 per child

Late pick-fee will apply if after 4pm \$5 per minute

Late fee after 15<sup>th</sup> of each month \$10/child

Automatic bank draft will be available for monthly tuition. Further information will be distributed at the beginning of the school year.

Registration is open for the 2019-2020 school year. Applications are due in the WDS office with a \$50 per child non-refundable registration fee. We are thrilled you have chosen to be a part of WDS at Columbia FUMC. Our program has existed since 1954 and has earned a reputation of nurturing and equipping students for kindergarten readiness in a loving, Christ-centered environment. We anticipate this school year to be the best yet!

Sincerely,

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