

PDO (Parents Day Out):

This ministry to young families provides care for children ages 2 and 3. It is designed to offer a safe and loving environment for playing and learning. It entails some consistent activities but is does not have a structured setting like a regular classroom.

PDO is held every Monday through Thursday in the Nursery Suite just to the left of the Main Entrance.

The hours are:
9 am to 12 noon Monday-Thursday
Option of extended day on Wednesday until 2:45 pm.

Children are accepted in the program by advance registration. It is tuition based and runs throughout the school year.

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Anne Crown, at 314-961-2393 or
314-799-5054

Emmanuel Preschool :

Since 1949, Emmanuel Preschool has been proudly providing three, four, and five year old children in our community with a caring and creative early childhood education. We operate a half-day program (9-11:45 am) as well as early care (8-9 am) and extended day (11:45-2:30 pm) programs throughout the school year. We also offer summer camp for enrolled students.

Our experienced, caring teachers foster a creative environment where children thrive and are eager to learn each day. Many teachers have been with the school ranging from 5-16 years, so the relationships with families and children are particularly strong.

Please contact Rachael Ludwig, director,
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Children @ Emmanuel

Emmanuel Episcopal Church
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*Jesus said, "Let the children come to me,
and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of
heaven belongs to such as these."
Matthew 19:14*

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Goal:

The goal of the children's programs at Emmanuel is to provide Christian formation, to encourage everyday faith in God, service to community, and fellowship with each other in the Anglican tradition.

Nursery Care

Sunday nursery care is available for infants and toddlers ages 6 weeks through age 3.

During the fall, winter, and spring terms, the main services are 9 am and 10:30 am, so the nursery opens at 8:30 and closes at 11:30 am or when the last child is picked up. For special services and summer services which are held at 10 am, the nursery is available from 9:30 until 11:30 am.

Childcare for special evening or Saturday events will be announced in advance.

Children's Liturgy:

From September to May, children ages 4 through 7 are invited to leave the 9 am church service and gather in the Children's Chapel to celebrate a separate liturgy more appropriate for their level of understanding. Trained volunteers teach Bible stories and concepts as well as liturgical elements such as processions, singing, dialogue, and visual elements such as liturgical colors, light, the cross, and artwork. The purpose is to lead them gradually to full, conscious and active participation in Sunday worship.

Children of all ages may find books on diversity and religion in the Thomas Bray Children's Library to read during church. Ask an usher for location.

Faith Quest:

Emmanuel's Christian formation program for ages Pre-K through 5th grade is called Faith Quest.

Our Pre-K Class meets in the Godly Play Room on the first floor right next to the Nursery near the Main Entrance.

The K - 1st Grade Class is located in the Godly Play Room on the second floor above the Nursery.

The 2nd - 5th graders gather in the cozy corner on the second floor, and usually meet in the Tree House Conference Room (next to Godly Play Room, 2nd floor) and the Art Room located down the hall from the offices.

Please contact Rev. Melanie Slane at 314-961-2393 or mslane@emmanuelepiscopal.org

Vacation Bible School:

Each summer, Emmanuel joins with Christ Lutheran in Webster Groves for a week-long Vacation Bible School for children completing pre-K through grade 5. For more details:

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Children's Choir:

Emmanuel's Children's Choirs are wonderful places for the children to contribute as ministry leaders in the parish, learn something about music, language and Bible stories, gain skills by working together as a team, and have as much fun as possible while doing it. They function as youth fellowship opportunities for the youngest of our children and it is our hope that the choir members will form enduring friendships and know how much their leadership is valued by the congregation. **Please contact Lauren Honz at laurenhonz@gmail.com or 314-313-1699**

The **Cherub Choir** (ages 4 - 1st grade) learns one song each month by memory and works on music fundamentals such as counting and dynamics. Music education and Bible stories are reinforced by games, coloring and shared discussion. Practice is on Wed, 6:00–6:25 pm.

Junior Choir members (grades 2-6) sing twice a month, holding music and reading the words. They use hand chimes, or instruments and other percussion, and occasionally sing harmony and two-part anthems. They also play a major part in the parish Christmas play. Practice is on Wed, 6:30–7:15 pm.