

Children & Spiritual Growth Leaders and Teachers

2024-2025 Program Year

Nursery Care

Pick up at 10:30 am or 12 pm in Room 109

MS. MARY MAINA

Childcare Coordinator • Nursery

"We can't wait to have your littles back with us!"

Home: Chadds Ford

Fun Fact: I lived in Europe for 6 years!



Nursery

"I enjoy reading and playing with the children."

Home: Downingtown

Fun Fact: I am planning a 2025 wedding!

MS. BETH STAPLES

Nursery

"I like working with the children of WPC and watching them grow and develop physically and socially."

Home: West Chester

Fun Fact: I have a long haired tuxedo cat named Zelda.

MISS CACILIA ROLLET

Nursery

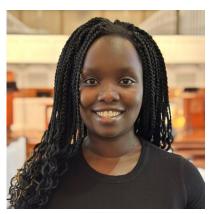
"I've grown up in Westminster and have been very involved over the past few years, I can't wait to be more involved in this new way. I'm so excited to meet all of you and your children this coming school year."

Home: West Chester

Fun Fact: I am a second year pre-med student at the University

of Delaware.

Additional Helpers You May See in the Classroom from Time-to-Time: Stephanie Carpenter, Joan Cloutman, Maria Cornacchione, Karen Finley, Rachel Frost, Karen Goldsborough, Megan Stanisz









9:30 am WeeConnect

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MS. JILL REICHERT

Director of Children & Family Ministries Lead for 9:30 am WeeConnect 11 am Young Children & Worship

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Home: I live in Strasburg (Lancaster County)

Fun Fact: I am the only female (of any species) that has lived in my house for YEARS! Husband, 2 sons, dog, 2 cats... all male.

Pray for me.



MS. DANICA FRAZIER

9:30 WeeConnect

"I'm excited for another wonderful year in WeeConnect! Sharing Bible stories, asking wondering questions, and watching young kids respond to God's word is one of my favorite things to do. I'm looking forward to getting to know more of our littlest worshipers."

Home: Westtown

Fun Fact: I lived at Grand Canyon National Park for a year.



MS. DIANE MACHAMER

9:30 am Wee Connect

"Can't wait to start the new year and look forward to working with the children."

Home: Glen Mills

Fun Fact: I love books and I love to read. I'm in charge of the

library where I live, which is Maris Grove.



Additional Helpers You May See in the Classroom from Time-to-Time: Lani Beckmann, Stephanie Carpenter, Nancy Christy, Carol Edwards, Lauren Helfgott, Rachel Pitts, Megan Stanisz & Audrey Wesner

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MS. SUZANNE MECOUCH

Lead for 9:30 am Gr. K & 1 · 11 am Young Children & Worship

"I've worked with the Children's Spiritual Growth team for about 10 years. I learn so much about faith from the children each week as we wonder about Jesus together! I wonder what I'll learn this year!"

Home: Kennett Square

Fun Fact: I have been a member of Westminster for 25 years.

MS. SUSAN CALDWELL

9:30 am Gr. K & 1

"Looking forward to helping out with the K-1 kiddos. About 40 years ago when my boys were that age I started teaching Sunday School at the old church."

Home: Retirement community called Jenner's Pond that is in

West Grove

Fun Fact: When I was a little girl I sang in our church (another Westminster church in Delaware) choir and my father was the children's choir director and my mom was the organist.

MS. AMANDA & MR. JOEY LAWN

9:30 am Gr. K & 1 • 9:30 am Gr. 2 & 3

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Home: West Chester

Fun Fact: We have been WPC members for nearly 10 years.

MS. JEANNIE MICHELS

9:30 am Gr. K & 1

"I taught Sunday School at my former church Media Presbyterian Church for 11 years. I am looking forward to another year of growing in my faith through teaching but mostly by listening to the children!"

Home: Glen Mills

Fun Fact: I am a retired speech therapist and I worked with

children for more than 30 years.

MS. KAITLIN HARRIS-YOUNG

9:30 am Gr. K & 1

"I'm thrilled to be growing with k/l again!"

Home: King of Prussia

Fun Fact: I am a high school teacher during the school year!

Additional Helpers You May See in the Classroom from

Time-to-Time: Katelyn Orkin & Megan Stanisz











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MS. KATHY SMEDLEY

Co-Lead for 9:30 am Gr. 2 & 3 · 11 am Young Children & Worship "I'm so ready to see my 2nd and 3rd graders' smiling faces

again, I've missed them! We have much growing in grace and gratitude to do this year."

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MS. SASHA REIMANN-SPIESS

Co-Lead for 9:30 am Gr. 2 & 3

"I'm excited about this year and watching our Westminster

children grow in their faith." **Home:** Kennett Square

Fun Fact: I love hedgehogs and toads.

MS. JACKIE STEINMETZ

9:30 am Grade 2 & 3

"One hundred years from now, it will not matter: What kind of car I drove, What kind of house I lived in, How much money I had in the bank, Not what my clothes looked like; But the world may be a little better, Because I was important in the life of a child."

Home: West Chester

Fun Fact: I have an angel collection, love to read, and I have five

grandchildren (a girl and four boys) who I adore!

MS. MIRIAM KIM

9:30 am Gr. 2 & 3

"I feel especially blessed and grateful to be a part of this wonderful Sunday school team, and I am eager and excited to see how God will work wonders through each and every one of our children this year!!"

Home: West Chester

Fun Fact: I enjoy collecting Christmas ornaments on my travels.

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Co-Lead 9:30 am Gr. 4 & 5 · 11 am Young Children & Worship "I find the most spiritual time for me on Sunday mornings is the time I spend with the children. They grow me spiritually every year!"

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MS. EMILY CHUDY

11 am Young Children & Worship

"I'm very excited to share the the wonder of YCW with our kids again this year. It's only my 2nd year at Westminster, so please introduce yourself so I can get to know your family better."

Home: Berwyn

Fun Fact: I'm an ordained PCUSA minister, serving one of our denomination's national agencies--The Board of Pensions--which is the last place someone with a Christian Education degree expects the Holy Spirit will send her.



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Not to Mention our amazing substitutes who are willing to jump in a pinch wherever we need them!

Mary Jane Anders, Ronnie Carrone, Shelly Craig, Danica Frazier, Cindy Knisley, Jen Miller, Cacilia Rollet, Megan Stanisz & Karen Woodeshick Orkin

Date	KidsConnect	WeeConnect & YCW
Sept. 8	God Makes a Home; Gen. 2:4b-9, 15-23	Get Ready & The Good Shepherd w/ the Lost Sheep; Ps. 23 & Jn 10
Sept. 15	God Makes a Promise; Gen. 12:1-9; 15:2-6	Abram & Sarai; Gen. 12 & 13
Sept. 22	God Blesses Ishmael & Isaac; Gen. 16; 21:1-7, 9-13	Abram & Sarai; Gen, 12 & 3
Sept. 29	God Gives Joseph Dreams; Gen. 37:1-11	Exodus; Ex. 1:1-15:21
Oct. 6	God Saves the People: Ex. 12:31-42	Exodus; Ex. 1:1-15:21
Oct. 13	God Provides Food & Water; Ex. 16:1-8, 13-15; 17:1-7	10 Best Ways to Live; Ex. 19-20; Deut. 6:4-6
Oct. 20	God Proclaims Jubilee; Lev. 25:1-12, 25-28, 35-42	10 Best Ways to Live; Ex. 19-20; Deut. 6:4-6
Oct. 27	God Chooses Deborah as a Leader; Judges 4:1-10	The Ark & A Tent for God; Ex. 25:1-40:38
Nov. 3	God Sends Elijah to Help; 1 Kings 17:8-16	The Promised Land; Josh. 1-4
Nov. 10	God Speaks in Stillness; 1 Kings 19:1-18	Temple, House for God; 2 Sam.5:1-7; 1 Kin. 5-8; 2 Chron. 6:1-11
Nov. 17	God Calls Jeremiah; Jeremiah 1:4-10	Exile & Return; Ezra 1-6
Nov. 24	God Calls for Justice; Amos 1:1; 5:6-8, 10-15, 21-24	Exile & Return; Ezra 1-6
Dec. 1	God's Promise of Peace; Micah:5:2-5	The Prophets Show the Way to Bethlehem; Is. 9:2; John 1:5
Dec. 8	Surprised by Grace; Luke 1:5-25, 57-66	Mary & Joseph Show the Way to Bethlehem; Mat. 1-2; Lk 1-2
Dec. 15	God's Gift of Love; Luke 2:1-7	The Shepherds Show the Way to Bethlehem; Mat. 1-2; Lk 1-2
Dec. 22	Rejoice and Ponder; Luke 2:8-20	Magi Show the Way to Bethlehem & Christmas; Mat. 1-2; Lk 1-2
Dec. 29	Simeon and Anna Rejoice; Luke 2:22-40	Baby Jesus is Presented to God; Luke 2:22-38
Jan. 5	It's Epiphany! Let's Worship Jesus!; Matthew 2:1-12	Follow Me; Mk 1:16-20
Jan. 12	You are My Beloved; Luke 3:1-22	A New Teaching; Mk. 1:21-28; Lk 4:31-37
Jan. 19	It's Tempting!; Luke 4:1-13	Jesus Calls Twelve Disciples;Mk.3:7-19; Mat. 10:1-4; Lk. 6:12-16
Jan. 26	Good News!; Luke 4:14-21	Parable of the Farmer and the Growing Seed; Mk. 4:26-29
Feb. 2	Spreading the Good News; Luke 4:16-30	Jesus and the Storm; Mk. 4:35-41
Feb. 9	Follow Me; Luke 5:1-11, 27-28; 8:1-3	Jes.Feeds 5000; Mat.14:15-21; Mk.6:30-44; Lk. 9:12-17; Jn.6:1-15
Feb. 16	Blessed Are; Luke 6:27-38	Jesus Heals a Boy; Mat.17:14-21; Mk.9:14-29; Lk.9:37-42
Feb. 23	God's Way to Live; Luke 6:27-38	Who is the Greatest? Mark 9:33-37
Mar. 2	Listen to Him; Luke 9:28-36	Jesus Makes Lazarus Alive Again; John 11
Mar. 9	Who is My Neighbor? Luke 10:25-37	Parable of the Two Sons; Matthew 21:28-32
Mar. 16	Little to Big; Luke 13:18-21	The Most Important Commandment; Mark 12:28-34
Mar. 23	Party Time!; Luke 14:15-24	The Gift of the Poor Widow; Mark 12:41-44
Mar. 30	Lost and Found; Luke 15:1-10	Woman Anoints Jes. for Burial;Mk.14:3-9; Mat. 26:6-13; Jn.12:1-8
Apr. 6	Welcome Home; Luke 15:1-2, 11-24	Too Afraid to Follow Jesus; Mark 14; Mat. 26:31-75
Apr. 13	The King of Glory Comes; Luke 19:28-40; 23:32-47	Jesus' Trial; Mat. 27:3-5; Mk. 15:1-15; Lk. 22:66-71
Apr. 20	He is Risen!; Luke 24:1-12	Jesus Dies and God Makes Jesus Alive Again; Mark 15
Apr. 27	Our Eyes Were Opened; Luke 24:13-35	Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene; Mark 16:1-11
May. 4	Forgiveness; Luke 7:36-50	Jesus Appears to Thomas; John 20:19-29
May. 11	Martha and Mary; Luke 10:38-42	Jesus Commissions the Disciples; Mat. 28:16-20; Mk. 16:15-18
May. 18	Return with Thanks; Luke 17:11-19	Jesus Appears to the Disciples By the Sea; John 21:1-13
May. 25	Welcome Zacchaeus; Luke 19:1-10	Jesus Again Asks Peter to Follow Him; John 21:15-17 & 21:19b
Jun. 1	A New Disciple; Acts 1:12-14, 21-26	Jesus Again Asks Peter to Follow Him; John 21:15-17 & 21:19b
Jun. 8	The Spirit Unleashed; Acts 2:1-13	God's Gift of the Holy Spirit; Isaiah 11:2-3a & Acts 1:3-5, 8



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