Westminster Presbyterian Church Job Description

Job Title	Childcare Worker		
Department	Childcare Ministries of Spiritual Growth		
Reports To	Childcare Coordinator		

Overall Responsibility

The Childcare Worker's overall objective is to provide children with a safe and nurturing environment in the nursery where they can experience God's love, and to enable parents to participate in the ministries and activities at the church.

Key Tasks and Responsibilities

- Participate in training and staff meetings when scheduled.
- Regularly read staff information, schedules, and notices when posted in the childcare room or sent through email.
- Return work-related phone calls and emails promptly.
- Show responsibility with regard to scheduled work days and times. Arrive on time and record time worked according to the timesheet policies.
- Follow attendance and sign-in/out procedures for each service or event. Ensure the use of nametags for identifying children and their belongings.
- Dress comfortably, but professionally.
- Notify Childcare Coordinator regarding scheduling conflicts, questions or concerns, safety related incidents during services and events, and when supplies or equipment are needed.
- Adhere to safety and ratio protocols outlined in the Child and Youth Protection Policy (Example: A minimum of 2 childcare workers must be with children at all times).
- Greet children and parents warmly and welcome them into the childcare room. Learn the names of children and parents and recognize related parents and children.
- Engage children in activities to transition them from the parent to the childcare environment.
- Use appropriate techniques to assure safety and care of all children. This includes appropriate handling of infants by supporting head and health conscious techniques for diaper changing by wearing gloves.
- Demonstrate ability to work with small groups of children, while continuing to monitor safety throughout the childcare room.
- Provide caring leadership and direction for volunteers.
- Follow procedures for notifying parents if their child is upset or has an emergency.
- Treat all children equally.
- Proactively direct child behavior toward constructive and safe, age-appropriate activities.
- Distribute approved snacks and water to children and monitor them while eating to ensure safety. Refer to registration cards for food allergies.
- Communicate with parents in a positive and helpful way.
- Keep the childcare room safe and orderly by cleaning and putting away toys, cleaning spills and crumbs, sanitizing equipment, and referring to the checklist posted before leaving for the day.
- Be observant, offer suggestions for improving operations, and assist with implementing agreed-upon solutions.
- Perform other duties as assigned by supervisor.

Skills and Attributes

- · Strong verbal communication skills
- · Ability to work both independently and with others
- Ability to physically lift a child when needed (changing table, during check-in/out)
- Proficiency in email communication
- Strong organizational skills

Education/Experience

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Experience in childcare or education preferred

Approvals	
Employee:	Date:
Supervisor:	Date: