

“Behold, children
are a gift of the
Lord, the fruit of
the womb, a
reward.”

Psalm 127:3

**Childcare is
provided in the
nursery every
Sunday morning
for children
6 weeks - their 3rd
birthday from
8:15am to Noon**

Worship service - 8:15am

Sunday school - 9:30am

Worship service - 10:45am

A simple curriculum is taught
each week during the
Sunday school hour with
easy-to-understand
biblical truths about God.

Our Nursery Staff

The GEFC nursery staff includes a ‘point person’ for each of the three Sunday morning shifts. In addition to the ‘point person’ there are other trained volunteers assisting on each shift to provide the best care possible.

All of our nursery staff have been through a screening process. The adult volunteers screening includes a background check to comply with the church’s Child Abuse Protection (CAP) policy.

While we have a variety of volunteers, the backbone of our volunteer base is made up of the parents of the children who utilize the nursery services. If you are a parent utilizing the nursery, have attended GEFC for at least 6 months, and are not otherwise serving regularly in ministry at GEFC on Sunday mornings we strongly encourage you to serve others in the nursery as they are serving you.

Miscellaneous

- Behavioral problems are rare in the nursery, but if a child is being disruptive, we will give him/her a couple of warnings. If the behavior continues, we may separate the child from the rest of the children (“time-out”). If it is still a problem, we will page the parents to come for their child.
- Breastfeeding mothers are welcome to enter the nursery and use the rocking chairs in the back section.



**Welcome to the
Geneseo
Evangelical Free
Church Nursery**

**914 N Chicago St.
Geneseo, IL
309-944-4667**

Our Goals

- To provide a loving, safe, healthy, and fun environment for your child.
- To give parents the opportunity to fully participate in worship services and Sunday school.

Thank you for the privilege of caring for your children!

Check-In Procedure

- ✓ When dropping children off in the nursery, please remove their shoes and jackets and leave in the outer nursery area.
- ✓ Help your children apply hand sanitizer which is located on the counter wall.
- ✓ Sign in child on the clipboard and leave any necessary instructions in the space provided.
- ✓ Check-in and check-out time can be a bit hectic so if you have specific concerns or detailed instructions please make personal contact with the nursery steering team member so that we can provide the best care possible for your little one.
- ✓ Take a pager and record the pager number on the sign-in sheet by your child's name. Parents MUST stay on the church premises while your child is in the nursery.
- ✓ Leave a clearly labeled diaper bag with at least 2-3 disposable diapers, a complete change of clothes, a pacifier and/or other security items if needed.

Age-appropriate snacks and water will be offered to the children during the Sunday school hour, and you are welcome to bring any specific food or drink from home that your child may need. Please be sure to note any allergies on the sign-in sheet and please explain any feeding instructions to the staff.

A Clean & Healthy Nursery

It is a huge priority for us to maintain a clean and healthy nursery environment.

- Our Nursery space and toys are cleaned and disinfected on a regular basis.
- We wash our hands on arrival and before and after each diaper change.
- Children are required to sanitize hands prior to entering the nursery and before eating snacks.
- Shoes of children & nursery attendees are removed before entering the nursery area.
- Children who are sick will not be allowed in the nursery. If your child is exhibiting any of the following symptoms please do not bring them to the nursery:
 - Fever of 100° or above in the last 24 hours
 - Vomiting
 - Coughing, sneezing, or runny nose (teething can be clear, but colored is indicative of infection)
 - Questionable rashes
 - Diarrhea
 - Red, watery eyes
 - Lice or scabies
- We will not give medication to children in the nursery.