



### SNACKS

Each family takes turns providing a snack for the group to share and enjoy. Foods should be cut into bite-sized pieces, enough to serve up to 12 children. Cups and paper towels are provided. Snack ideas: fruit or vegetables, healthy crackers, bread, muffins, cookies or cereal, cheese, fruit juice, raisins, etc.

If you child is having a birthday, feel free to bring muffins, cupcakes, or a cake and we will help celebrate

### SICK CHILDREN

Sick children should not be brought to Playgroup and will be sent home if they do come. What is sick? Some guidelines are: fever, diarrhea, unexplained rash, congested coughing, green mucous running from the nose, a change of behavior (lethargy, irritability, etc.)

### WITHDRAWAL

The enrollment of any child may be terminated by the playgroup leader in cases of lack of regular supervision of the child by the parent, non-payment of fees, or failure to observe sickness policy.

### REGISTRATION

To register, we ask that each family fill out and return the registration form attached to this brochure. All registration forms and payments as well as any questions should be directed to:

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## THE EPWORTH PLAYGROUPS

The Epworth Playgroups were established by Epworth United Methodist Church to provide quality play experiences for young children in a relaxed social environment for parents. The playgroups strive to provide a stimulating environment in which children can grow, learn and develop socially. Although established and operated by Epworth United Methodist Church, the playgroups are not religious in nature and welcome all families.

The presence of each child's parent allows the children to play and explore with the security of knowing that Mom or Dad is nearby. Parents are required by the church to supervise their own children and by the Berkeley Fire Department to stay on church premises during all playgroup meetings.

Like most schools and children's programs, neither Epworth United Methodist Church nor its employees provide medical payments insurance coverage for accidents, illness or injuries occurring on the premises. Parents are responsible for watching their children and for providing their own medical payments insurance coverage in the unfortunate event of an accident, illness or other injury at Epworth.

The playgroup leaders are the facilitators of the playgroups and employees of Epworth United Methodist Church. They will always be happy to help you with any questions you may have.



### PLAYGROUP HOURS AND FORMAT

The Epworth Playgroups meet Monday through Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and accept children from birth to age 3.5. Enrollment is limited to 12 children a day. We ask each family to sign up for one specific day and to try to attend consistently so that the children and parents get to know each other and a stronger sense of community gets established. If you must miss a meeting, you are welcome to drop in on any other day for a make-up.

The morning consists of an hour of free play followed by a snack, bubbles and clean-up. It concludes with the group joining together in a circle to sing songs.

The playroom is large, bright and sunny with many areas for play. There is a play kitchen area with pretend food, a climbing structure, a castle with a slide, a painting easel, a coloring and puzzle table, a playdough area, rocking horses, a piano, blocks, trucks and lots and lots of toys!

## TUITION

The playgroups run in four sessions. Tuition for each session will vary depending on session length and is payable before the first meeting of each session. Siblings pay half price and babies under one year of age are free. (If the fee is difficult to pay all at once, please talk to the coordinator about a payment schedule.)

The church keeps its fees low in an effort to provide all members of the community with an opportunity to participate in the program. Because of this, we cannot prorate fees or offer refunds for absences due to sickness, vacations or playgroup holidays. However, all absences may be made up on other days within the same sessions.



The playgroups run on an academic calendar, observing all school holidays and vacation times. See insert for current schedule.

### REGISTRATION FORM

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Circle session you are registering for: Fall \_\_\_\_\_ Winter \_\_\_\_\_ Spring \_\_\_\_\_ Summer \_\_\_\_\_

Rank in order of preference: \_\_\_\_\_ Monday \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday \_\_\_\_\_ Wednesday \_\_\_\_\_ Thursday \_\_\_\_\_ Friday \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understood this brochure. I understand that neither Epworth United Methodist Church nor its employees carry medical payments insurance coverage for accidents, illness or injuries occurring on the premises. I agree to supervise my child(ren) and provide my own medical payments insurance for accident, illness or other injury at Epworth.

Parents Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please send completed registration form and check payable to "Epworth Playgroups".