Jesus called the children to Him and said, "Let the children come to me and do not hinder them. For the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

Luke 18:16



# 2023-2024



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## Welcome to the Ark Preschool!

The purpose of the Ark is to provide a Christian environment in which preschool children can learn and grow.

Parents are the most important teachers of their children and the Ark's goal is to supplement the training and teaching of the home. Children will learn in a safe, positive, encouraging atmosphere to work independently and in group structured situations. Their learning experiences will help them to make the transition to a more formal school setting.

The Ark is licensed by the State of Kansas and provides educational, social and spiritual learning experiences in a Christian setting for the preschool age child. To be enrolled, children should be between the ages of 3 and 5 years, potty-trained, have a physical examination, and the required immunizations before attending preschool.

#### Program

The Ark Preschool offers a half day program to provide a comprehensive and coordinated plan of activities to help a child develop socially, emotionally and intellectually, as well developing skills such as listening, following directions, self-expression, creativity, and fine and gross motor skills. The curriculum includes topics such holidays, weather, seasons, nutrition, homes and family, friends, animals, plants, our community, and many more. The lessons integrate language, math, art, music, science, and social studies learning experiences appropriate for the preschool age level.

The spiritual training includes Bible stories, songs, Bible verses, and prayer times. A Christian perspective is incorporated into all areas of the curriculum. The basic age appropriate objectives of the spiritual training of children ages 3-5 are "God made me", "God loves me", "God made the world", and "Jesus is God's Son".

Our schedule is planned to provide a balance of active and quiet activities in small group and large group setting. Children work individually to encourage independence and confidence, and with a group to develop social skills such as cooperation, taking turns, sharing, kindness and understanding.

Daily activities include a Bible lesson, art activities, group circle time, snack time, large group and small group instruction times, stories, music and movement, and games for small and large muscle development.

#### **General Schedule**

The first day of preschool is the Tuesday after Labor Day. We will generally follow the USD 379 calendar, observing the same breaks and vacations the public schools do, unless otherwise notified. If USD 379 schools are closed due to weather conditions, the Ark preschool classes will also close.

## **Class Descriptions**

The following classes will be offered for the 2023-2024 school year

Morning Class (8:30-11:00) T/Th - tuition \$80/month T/W/Th - tuition \$90

Afternoon Class (12:30-3:00) T/W/Th - tuition \$90/month M/T/W/Th – tuition \$110/month

For more information about the Ark Preschool, please call Jamie Reed at the church at 785-632-5653 or cell 785-632-4506 or e-mail arkjamiereed@gmail.com