

St. Peter Lutheran School Toddler Care

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Toddler Care Program Description

St. Peter Lutheran School is happy to offer a quality toddler care program for children ages 12-36 months. The following are the guidelines that we follow for this program.

Age: Ages in this room range from 12 months to 36 months. Please note that when your child is 30 months (2.5 years), registration into our preschool and child care would be an option.

Yearly Calendar: Toddler Care is offered throughout the whole year except on national holidays, the week between Christmas and New Year's Day, and one week during the summer. Toddler care may also be cancelled on days for inclement weather. *Please plan toddler care days at least one month in advance.*

Hours: The Toddler Care will be open daily from 7:00am-5:30pm.

Cost: \$5.50/hour/child

Additional Notes about Cost:

1. All Toddler Care payments are due the previous week of care. Failure to make payments in a timely fashion may cause you to lose Toddler Care for your child.
2. There is a minimum of \$30/day and three/days per week for Toddler Care.
3. We require a 48 hour notification prior to a cancellation (for hourly and daily rates). If your toddler does not attend Toddler Care without a 48 hour cancellation, you will be charged.
4. The late fee for Toddler Care is \$5/15 minutes after 5:30.

Enrollment in Toddler Care: In order to enroll your child in Toddler Care, please complete the enrollment form and include the non-refundable \$100 deposit which will be used towards your first payment.

Meals: All meals will need to be provided by the family. Children who are able to eat table food are provided a morning snack and afternoon snack. Parents need to supply cold lunch and a **labeled** toddler (sippy) cup. We will serve a breakfast brought from home until 8 AM.

Staff: The Toddler Care Staff ratio is 4:1. The class size will be a maximum of ten toddlers. The toddler room has a lead teacher that is qualified based on state guidelines.

Daily Schedule Notes:

- 👤 The children will sleep on cots. They have a regular rest time between 12:00 and 2:00 PM. If your child still requires a morning siesta, we will do our best to accommodate this also. Parents need to provide a small blanket and a small pillow if desired for naps.
- 👤 Children have a regular scheduled time in the "mini-gym" (cafeteria) for large motor activities.
- 👤 Children go outdoors daily, summer and winter, weather permitting. Please provide appropriate clothing such as boots, snow pants, mittens, hats and a warm coat for cold weather and bathing suit for summer. We would be happy to apply parent supplied sunscreen.
- 👤 Children experience daily age appropriate devotions, music and movement, and story time.
- 👤 "Jesus Time" is provided daily. Children learn basic Bible accounts, songs, and finger-plays and most importantly learn that Jesus loves them!
- 👤 Plenty of time is allowed for free choice play-time.
- 👤 Children are provided small motor opportunities in the form of art activities. Children become familiar with crayons, markers, and glue.
- 👤 A regular schedule is followed daily to provide a stable and predictable environment in which your child can feel safe and comfortable.
- 👤 Children learn to use cups, feed themselves, and may begin toilet training while in the toddler room. They begin to learn to pick up after themselves, and enjoy helping the caregivers.
- 👤 Please remember to dress your child in play type clothing so that they can participate in all activities freely.

Mission Statement of St. Peter Lutheran School: By the Grace of God, St. Peter Lutheran School exists to nurture and educate God's children in a Christ-centered environment. Through the guidance of parents and teachers, students learn to interpret their world in the light of God's Word.

Core Values: The core values of St. Peter Lutheran Church and School are:

- **REVERENCE:** We give honor and glory to God above all things.
- **BIBLICAL TRUTH:** We provide a ministry to believers according to the Scriptures and Lutheran Confessions.
- **DISCIPLESHIP:** We exercise Christian love and fellowship in order to extend the Kingdom of God at large. We nurture present and future congregational and Church leaders.
- **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** We teach and live the Christian faith according to Lutheran doctrine; we provide and maintain a Christ-centered, academically excellent education.