

**DECEMBER 2023**



Educating, Inspiring & Caring for God's Children  
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## 2023-2024 Registration

Pre-registration for the 2023-24 school year begins  
**January 8th, 2024!**

Keep an eye out for emails with more information!

### Universal Pre-K (UPK) Information

Little Blessings is participating in the State Universal Pre-K Program, which began August 2023. Universal Pre-K is also known as the state UPK, universal pre-kindergarten, and universal preschool.

#### What does this mean for you?

- \* Colorado legislation HB22-1295 allows for all Colorado families to access one year of preschool paid for by state tobacco taxes.
- \* Children who turn 4 prior to October 1, 2024 are eligible. Students are NOT eligible if they turn 5 prior to October 1, 2024.
- \* Currently enrolled families will complete your pre-registration form during the Little Blessings January 2024 registration cycle. This pre-registration cycle will follow the same format as previous years.
- \* Parents will receive up to 15 hours of paid preschool if they qualify for the age requirement.

*Additional information will be shared about this process during the Little Blessings registration cycle.*



### Dates to Remember

- 12/10** – LB Christmas Program  
1pm & 3pm
- 12/22** – LB CLOSED
- 12/24** – Christmas Eve Services  
@ PUMC 10am, 4pm, 6pm & 8pm
- 12/25 & 12/26** – LB  
CLOSED
- 12/27-12/29** – Full Time  
Childcare ONLY
- 1/1 & 1/2** - LB CLOSED
- 1/3-1/5** – Full Time Childcare  
ONLY
- 1/8** – School Resumes

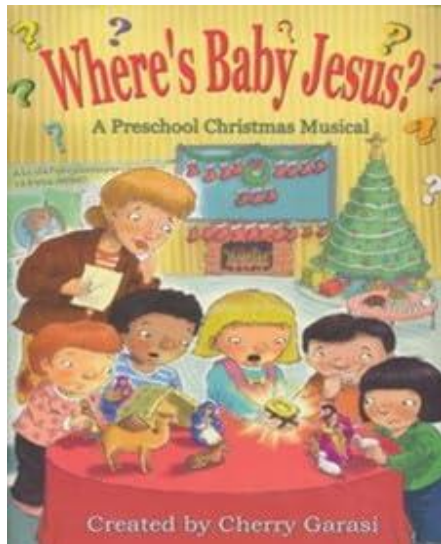


Our Kindergarten is capped well below ratio at 12 students for a more personalized learning experience.

Students receive superb instruction to ensure a solid foundation in emergent reading, math & writing, making certain that students are more than prepared for 1<sup>st</sup> grade.

Questions? Interested in more information?  
Email Tricia  
[tricia@parkerumc.org](mailto:tricia@parkerumc.org)





**The time has finally come!**

The children at Little Blessings are proud to present.....

## Little Blessings Preschool & Kindergarten Christmas Program

***Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>***  
***1pm & 3pm***

We will be taking a collection for a monetary donation to Parker Task Force & SECOR at the end of each program!

### 15 Frugal Christmas Break Indoor Activities

1. Sensory Bins with household items (oatmeal, rice, noodles)
2. Cloud dough (recipe online)
3. Washing cars, baby dolls, plastic toys
4. Playdough
5. Dot sticker color match
6. Shaving cream play
7. Stacking plastic cups
8. Scissor work - cut up junk mail
9. Color Hunt around the house
10. Fort Building
11. Bowling with plastic cups
12. Number scavenger hunt
13. Balloon games
14. Yoga
15. Freeze dance



## What's Happening at PUMC?



### Christmas Eve Services

**Candlelight Services**  
**10am, 4pm, 6pm & 8pm**

PUMC invites your children, of all ages, to participate in the 10am Christmas Eve Service.

We will have a live Nativity Parade where kids dress up as the characters in the Christmas story & walk into the sanctuary as our youth read the story. We will sing "Emmanuel" from the preschool Christmas program. If your children (any age!) are interested in participating, please email Noelle [noelle@parkerumc.org](mailto:noelle@parkerumc.org).

## LONGEST NIGHT

naming our grief and seeking God's peace

As the nights grow longer, the darkness lasts longer. This can also be a season of grief with all of the losses around us. On Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> we will have 2 Longest Night Services – 12pm & 6:30pm in the sanctuary. These will be opportunities to name our losses, ask for God's presence and be in a spirit of prayer and peace.

Please join us & invite your friends and neighbors who might find this service a place for naming our grief and seeking God's healing.