

## PARENTS OF PRESCHOOL CLASS AND KINDERGARTEN CLASS

Dear Parents,

Your children will be part of the group that gathers with me each Sunday morning at 9:15 AM for what we call "Opening Time". It is the fifteen-minute time before they go to their Sunday School classroom. The primary purpose of this time is to teach our young children some of the old and new Bible songs and faith songs that help them learn the stories of Jesus. It is my favorite time on Sunday morning. I love the enthusiasm and innocence of these little ones!

At the end of last year this little group had learned quite a repertoire of songs and was singing with a lot of enthusiasm. I became very excited about the possibility of them participating in worship. I know that the group will not be exactly the same because a few of the children moved out of our group and we will welcome new faces but I would like to have this group, we will call them the "Cherub Choir", sing during worship this year.

I have planned out a schedule of Sundays for them to participate. You will find it on the attached sheet. I will need your help if this is to work! I need this group to be at "Opening Time" each Sunday morning at **9:15**. I plan to start each of our sessions on time so we can make the most of our fifteen-minutes together. On the Sundays they are to assist in worship, I will need you to bring them to our regular "Opening Time" so we can review our song and then stay for **10:30 worship** so they can be part of their "Cherub Choir". When you see that it is time in the service for them to sing, send them over to me on the risers. When they finish their song, I will send them back to you. I know that some of them are going to be tentative and shy at first but I am hoping with your encouragement they will become comfortable and can enjoy this experience.

I know how much you love to watch the children work on these songs and participate in the fun, but I need a favor. The corner of the sanctuary where we meet is our classroom for that few minutes and it is very distracting to have a lot of other people and little ones watching, visiting, and moving around in that space. I know many of you feel that your child will not stay if you are not there. That may be true at the beginning, but I would like you to give them a chance. They will become comfortable with the separation and know that you are going to be there when Sunday School is done.

**Thank you** in advance for your help and commitment. This experience can be a very powerful and memorable time for your child and will help them feel a part of the worship service which otherwise can be very difficult for them to understand. I am very excited **about adding the "Cherub Choir" to our music ministry program and hope it will be a success.**

Blessings,  
Mrs. Keseley  
Cherub Choir Director

## **SINGING SCHEDULE FOR THE CHERUB CHOIR**

The Cherub Choir will **ALWAYS** participate in the **10:30** worship service.

**October 11**

**November 1**

**January 10**

**February 14**

**March 14**

**April 18**

**May 9**

**PLEASE** keep this and post it in a visible spot so you can plan ahead for these special days when your member of the Cherub Choir will assist in the worship service at Good Shepherd.

**REMEMBER!** Bring your child to sing with his or her friends during Sunday School Opening time even if he or she won't sing on Sundays. We learn many fun songs that we do not sing in church on Sundays and have a lot of fun learning the stories of Jesus.