

Blacksburg United Methodist Preschool

Student & Parent Handbook

2022-2023



A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR & PRESCHOOL BOARD

We are so pleased that you have chosen Blacksburg United Methodist Preschool for your child. We endeavor to provide the best in trained staff, appropriate activities, facilities, and materials to assure a happy learning experience for your child.

All children are curious and desire to learn. However, the most effective learning for young children comes through exploring and doing. We try to understand each child as completely as possible and to provide activities and experiences that are exciting and motivating to each one.

This handbook explains the policies, procedures, and practices of the Preschool. Please read it carefully and keep it handy for reference throughout the year. Our COVID-19 Guidelines can be found on pages 12 and 13.

We are happy to answer any questions, and we welcome your comments, suggestions, and cooperation. Thank you for allowing us to be part of your family.

Debbie McDowell, Director
and the BUMP Board of Directors
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540-552-5424 x7

School Hours: 9:15 am – 12:30 pm
Office Hours: By appointment only
Website: bumpkids.org
Facebook: @BUMPreschool

GOALS

- Provide a happy, secure, and safe environment in which each child will develop socially, emotionally, cognitively, and physically;
- Value play as one of the most important means of learning;
- Provide opportunities for the child to develop confidence and self-esteem;
- Provide age-appropriate, individual, and group experiences;
- Foster, value, and encourage creativity and language development in all areas;
- Provide challenges for self-expression, investigation, reasoning, and generalizing;
- Provide appropriate opportunities for growth in self-direction, independence, and self-discipline;
- Promote understanding and respect for social and cultural diversity;
- Help bridge the gap between home and public school; and
- Provide opportunities for teachers and parents to work together for the welfare of the children.

BRIEF HISTORY

For many years the Blacksburg United Methodist Church has provided an excellent program of educational enrichment for young children of the Blacksburg and Montgomery County area.

In 1949, before kindergarten classes were a part of Virginia's public school program, individuals in the Church realized the need for a kindergarten program in the area. They requested and received the support of the United Methodist Women to open one of the first kindergartens in Montgomery County that same year, under the directorship of Virginia Kincaid. Margaret Atkins Worley was notably instrumental in this early endeavor. Marian Allen and Mildred Ellmore followed Mrs. Kincaid as directors during the early years.

After approximately 10 years in operation, the sponsorship of the school was assumed by the Church at the request of the women's organization. A Board of Directors under the Committee on Education was elected to oversee the operation of the school.

In 1974, after public kindergartens were legislated in Virginia, the church's program was redesigned for children 3-5 years of age, and kindergarten classes were discontinued. At this time, the school's name was changed to the Blacksburg United Methodist Preschool. Mildred Ellmore remained Director until 1983 and was followed by Lynn Shaffer (1983-1985), Juanita Kornegay (1985-1996), Louise Ridenhour (1996-1999), Marcia Barrow (1999-2018), and Kristy Hudson followed (2018-2021). Debbie McDowell was appointed in August 2021.

During the global pandemic of 2020 through August 2021, the Preschool chose to remain closed to keep children, families, and staff safe. We reopened our doors for the 2021-22 school year and had a healthy and successful year.

OPERATION

The Preschool operates under the direction of a Preschool Board, nominated by the Church and elected by the Blacksburg United Methodist Church Annual Charge Conference. Members of this Board are selected on a basis of knowledge, experience, and interest in the education of young children. The policies, procedures, and goals under

which the Preschool operates have been formulated from guidelines set by the Board. The Director, teachers, and support staff of the Preschool are employed by the Church via this Board.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Preschool accepts students between the ages of three and five. Children must three on or before September 30, 2022, to be enrolled in the three-year-old classes. Children must four on or before September 30, 2022, to be enrolled in the four-year-old classes. A mid-year enrolled three-year-old will remain with the three-year-old classes until they meet the four-year-old class entrance requirements.

All children must be toilet trained. Immunizations must be up-to-date, and a copy of the child's vaccination record is kept on file. Parents must also show their child's birth certificate or passport when they first enroll in the Preschool. Blacksburg United Methodist Preschool does not discriminate based on race, gender, religion, or place of citizenship.

A non-refundable enrollment/registration fee of \$100 is due prior to enrolling your child in the school. A non-refundable supply fee of \$100 is due by the start of the school year.

ENROLLMENT CONTRACT

To be considered for enrollment, the Parent/Guardian must submit a complete, signed copy of the Enrollment Contract to the Director. A \$100 non-refundable Enrollment/Registration Fee must be submitted via brightwheel within three (3) days of the date of the Contract or brightwheel registration, whichever is first, to hold a place for the Student. Enrollment/Registration fee is earned by the School upon Parent's submission of the Contract and fees to the School and the School's consideration of Student's application. **The \$100 Enrollment/Registration Fee is not refundable.** Applications are reviewed by the Preschool Board on a first-come, first-served basis, however admission is not guaranteed.

Final classroom assignments are made by the Preschool Board, using the first and second choices of the Parent/Guardian, with input from the Director of the Preschool. The Contract is valid only for the academic year stated and does not guarantee Student to any future enrollment. Families will be notified of acceptance and expected to pay the \$100 Enrollment/Registration Fee within three (3) days of acceptance notification. If the Enrollment/Registration Fee is not paid within three (3) days, your child's spot will not be held.

TUITION AND FEES

Tuition is due the first of the month beginning in August. Tuition is billed August 1 through April 1. The Preschool uses brightwheel to notify families of monthly tuition and receive payment. If payment is not made via brightwheel by the 10th of the month, a late fee of \$25 is assessed. A returned check fee of \$35 is charged for returned checks or issues with autodraft via brightwheel. See the Enrollment Contract for additional fees associated with delinquency, default, or collection.

BUMP offers two Payment Plans for paying tuition. Plan A is a one-payment plan, payable by check or cash and due by August 1, 2022, for a 5% discount on Tuition (Enrollment/Registration Fee and Supply Fee are not discounted). Plan B offers a nine-payment plan, payable via brightwheel, with payments the first of the month beginning in August and ending in April. BUMP also offers additional discounts for Blacksburg United Methodist Church Members and siblings.

Students are enrolled for the entire School year (August/September through May) or partial year covered by the Enrollment Contract. For departing students, specific Termination Procedures are outlined in the Enrollment Contract. Because overhead expenses of the School do not diminish with the departure of students during the course of the school year, we require thirty (30) days' written Termination Notice if you choose to disenroll your child. Please see the Enrollment Contract for Specific Termination Notification Procedures and information on Payment Plan A refunds and additional charges when disenrolling your Student.

Monthly tuition is as follows:

2 days/week.....	\$310.00
3 days/week.....	\$370.00
4 days/week.....	\$430.00
5 days/week.....	\$485.00

Additional fees for enrollment include an Enrollment/Application Fee of \$100 due at the time of application submission either via brightwheel or hard copy. A Supply Fee of \$100 is also due with the first tuition payment. Discounts for these fees are not available and these fees are not refundable.

Tuition is charged in monthly increments; there are no partial month charges. We do not prorate monthly charges to daily rates for students beginning after the start of the School Year.

Lunch Bunch is a separate extended day option offered at the discretion of BUMP, from 12:30pm - 2:00pm, 4 days per month on specific Wednesdays and Thursdays. The parent/guardian provides lunch for the student to be eaten at school with enrichment activities to follow.

A sign-up sheet for Lunch Bunch will be posted to Sign-Up Genius. Lunch Bunch is \$20 per session and is billed separately from tuition.

HOURS OF OPERATION

The Preschool operates from 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Drop-off begins at 9:15 a.m. Teacher will meet families at the double glass doors by the playground for student check-in. Parents and Students will then proceed to their classrooms for drop-off at the classroom. Please see "COVID Policies and Procedures 2022-23" on pages 12 and 13 for further details.

Children will be in their classrooms by 9:30. If you are running late, please call the office to check your child in. A staff member will meet you at the locked Preschool door and will accompany your child to their classroom.

Pick-up begins at 12:30 p.m. at the double glass doors by the playground. Please line up outside and wait for a staff member to open the double glass doors. You may then proceed to your child's classroom for check-out.

All children should be picked up by 12:35 p.m. We realize that unforeseen circumstances may arise that keep you from picking your child up on time. Please call the preschool at 540-552-5424 x 7 if an emergency prevents you from picking up your child on time. One late pickup shall result in written or verbal notification. Subsequent habitual late pickups after 12:36 p.m. shall result in a \$15.00 charge per each late pickup.

After dropoff and pickup, we kindly ask that you exit the Preschool as quickly as possible to limit congestion in the hallways. Please utilize the door closest to your child's classroom. Additional details about the door closest to your child's classroom can be found on pages 12 and 13 under "COVID Policies and Procedures 2022-23."

A parent or other designated adult should accompany their child to and from the classroom each day. Do not drop off children in the parking lot or on the sidewalk.

The Preschool requests that if a child is going to be absent that the parent notify the Teacher **and** Director via brightwheel, email, and/or phone call. If we do not receive a notification from you, we will contact you once our school day begins.

BRIGHTWHEEL

The Preschool utilizes the brightwheel student attendance and tracking program. An application is available from the Apple or GooglePlay Stores. Please download the application to your cellular devices. All parents should turn on notifications from the brightwheel app as this will allow you to see when your child is checked in and out.

brightwheel is the main form of communication between teachers and families. The app can be used to send information between parents, teachers, and the Director. Please send a message via brightwheel for late drop-off or pick-up. This will notify both the Director and the classroom teachers who will be able to meet you at the door for check-in.

brightwheel is also used for all billing, tuition, and payments. Autopay is not required, but is encouraged, for ease of paying tuition and fees. Parents can set up autopay in their brightwheel app.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

The Preschool follows the Montgomery County Public Schools closings for inclement weather. If Montgomery County Public Schools are closed, the Preschool will also be closed. However, we will open on time if Montgomery County Public Schools are delayed one hour. We will open at 10:15 a.m. if Montgomery County Public Schools are delayed by two hours. The phone number for the Montgomery County School Closing Hotline is 540-382-5102.

The Preschool **generally** follows the Montgomery County Public Schools calendar. If Montgomery County Public Schools make changes to their calendar after it is published (i.e. during the school year), we will communicate any additional closures with you. There are no tuition refunds for additional school closures.

PARKING

Two parking lots are available for families to use while dropping off and picking up students. We kindly ask that you reserve the use of the small parking lot adjacent to the playground for families with younger siblings and babies. Please utilize the large parking lot across Lee Street if you do not have younger siblings and babies to carry. Please use the sidewalks whenever possible.

CONFERENCES

All parents will be asked to schedule a conference with their child's lead teacher in the spring. If you wish to talk about your child's progress before then, please make an appointment with the lead teacher. Discussions about the child should not take place in his/her presence or in the presence of other parents.

BIRTHDAYS

We will be happy to celebrate your child's birthday at school if you wish. Arrangements, including what will be served, should be made in advance with the teacher. Gifts and party favors should not be exchanged at school birthday parties. Simple refreshments (such as muffins or cookies) are preferred over messy cupcakes.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Please refer to our COVID-19 procedures on pages 12 and 13.

Please keep your child at home if he/she has been running a fever above 99.0, vomiting, or has diarrhea. **Your child should be fever-free and symptom-free for at least 24 hours before returning to school.** Parents or other authorized persons will be contacted to pick up sick children. If there is a need to give your child Tylenol, Ibuprofen, or similar before the school day, do not bring your child to school.

BUMP is a nut-free facility. Please inform your child's teacher if food allergies or religious/cultural beliefs prevent your child from eating certain foods. If your child has a life-threatening food allergy, you must provide a snack for your child everyday they are at preschool.

Simple first aid is administered in case of minor injuries at school. For a serious injury, an attempt is made to contact parents, and the rescue squad (911) is called. Additional information regarding treatment authorization can be found in the Enrollment Contract.

No unenrolled children may be left at Blacksburg United Methodist Preschool without a parent or guardian on the premises.

Any small pet left at preschool all morning must be in a cage, crate, or aquarium. Any pet visiting the classroom must remain with the owner (adult) and have leash and/or carrier available. Lead teachers or co-teachers must check (prior to pet visit) with families of children with allergies or fears. No animals are allowed on the playground without prior approval from the director.

LICENSING

Blacksburg United Methodist Preschool operates under State Religious Exempt Status and files documentation annually with the Virginia Department of Social Services and Virginia Department of Education. The school is inspected annually by the Montgomery County Fire and Health Departments. Our current Religious Exempt Status allows us to have a maximum enrollment capacity of 61 students.

You can find our Public Disclosure Statement posted on the bulletin board by the Director's office or on our website at bumpkids.org/admissions.

GRIEVANCE POLICY

If the parents/guardians have concerns regarding their child, they should first discuss it with the child's lead teacher or co-teacher. If the situation is not resolved, please contact the Director. If the parents/guardians are not satisfied with the response, the Preschool Board should be contacted. The Preschool Board can be contacted at thebumpboard@gmail.com. This email is checked one time per week, on Fridays. Please allow sufficient time for response. The Preschool Board is a large group of volunteers and may take some time to organize and convene to discuss your concerns.

In-person meetings may be requested by the teacher, Director, or Board to discuss your concerns.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Parents should ensure their child arrives promptly and is picked up on time. A child who is late often finds it difficult to join in on activities. Children waiting to be picked up are often anxious.

For safety reasons, accompany your child to and from their classroom.

We kindly ask that you help prevent congestion in the hall by departing as soon as possible after dropping off or picking up your child. Please use the exits closest to your child's classroom.

Dress your child in comfortable play clothes and shoes. Weather permitting, all children play outside each morning. There are times when your child may get messy. It is helpful if coats and sweaters are marked with your child's name.

Teach your child self-reliance by encouraging him/her to do things for him/herself, and allow time for this.

Send toys to school only when requested by the teacher.

Inform us if you have a talent or interest you are willing to share.

Get to know your child's teacher and work with her concerning any issues that may arise or concerns you may have.

Take an interest in the school and the things your child brings home.

Take time to listen to and discuss your child's daily experiences.

Report any upsetting experiences that may help the teacher better understand your child's behavior.

Send materials from home that you might have for art and/or craft projects when requested by the teacher.

Help your child to learn his/her full name, parents' names, address, and telephone number.

Be willing to help with field trips and other special events.

DISCIPLINE

Our goal is to help children learn self-control. Physical punishment is never used.

•Rules are clearly stated. Children are reminded what is and what is not allowed. The preschool practices a 'safe hands & safe feet' policy.

- Children are encouraged to solve their own problems when possible. When harm to the child, or another child, appears likely, an adult intervenes.
- Children are offered positive choices or redirected to another activity.
- In some cases, a cool-down period may be necessary. The child is removed from the group but usually remains in the classroom; however, an adult is always present. The child decides when he or she is ready to return to the group and follow the rules.
- The preschool reserves the right to request that any student be removed from our classes when, in the opinion of our staff, we are unable to meet the needs of the child.

THE PRESCHOOL DAY

The Preschool day includes a wide variety of hands-on, minds-on activities. These are designed to encourage creativity and discovery, as well, as to meet the developmental needs of the child.

Working and Playing

Each child chooses from a variety of activities: looking at books, listening to CDs, building with blocks, playing in the kitchen and home-living center, drawing and writing, painting at the easel, cutting and pasting, and playing with a variety of manipulatives, while using their imaginations to the fullest extent. Children enjoy outside play each day, weather permitting.

Cleaning Up

Children are taught to put materials and equipment back in designated places.

Eating Snack Together

Children are provided a light snack each day. They are encouraged to participate in acceptable food habits and table manners. Conversation is encouraged during snack time.

Enjoying Music and Movement

By participating in musical activities children improve self-confidence, motor coordination, speech and language, rhythm, creativity, and imagination. Musical instruments, such “rainsticks,” shakers, and a variety of other instruments, are used to provide hands-on experience for the children. Children participate in Music and Movement each day while at preschool.

Sharing Group Experiences

Listening to stories and poems, talking together, participating in show-and-tell, acting out plays, taking walks, and going on field trips help broaden the child’s range of interest, improve language skills, and contribute to a happy preschool experience.

Chapel Time

Once a month, the pastoral staff offers Chapel Time during the last half hour of preschool. This is a simple, non-denominational event in which the pastor tells a story and leads a song or two. Attendance is voluntary. Parents are welcome to join us.

SCHOOL RULES

Enrollment at the School is subject to the general statements, rules, regulations, conditions, and financial terms contained in the School's Parent and Student Handbook, Enrollment Contract, and other published documents, which may be amended from time to time. Parent and Student must abide by such School rules and guidelines.

SUPPORT

Enrollment at the School is subject to Parent support of the standards of the School in its philosophy, methods, objectives, and policies, including moral, academic, behavioral, dress, conduct, and disciplinary standards; to assume the responsibility for parental monitoring of Student's education, being an encourager, and keeping in regular contact with Student's teachers; and to attend mandatory meetings called by the School. Parent also agrees to support, to the best of Parent's ability, the School's entire program through time, attendance, and participation in various School activities.

TERMINATION OF STUDENT'S ATTENDANCE

The School has the right to suspend or terminate the attendance of any student for reasons set forth in the Parent and Student Handbook or Enrollment Contract (or other published document), for reasons that the School Administration considers detrimental to the School community, student, or to other students of the School, or for the Parent's failure to pay all or any part of the Parent's financial obligations for Student's attendance (including any amounts charged on Student's account with the School).

STAFF REQUIREMENTS

All staff are required to be up-to-date on their CPR/First Aid Certifications. In addition, per our Religious Exempt status, all employees are required to have a completed health report signed by a physician stating the staff member is free from any disability which would prevent them from caring for children. Staff are also required to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination as of June 2021.

Director

The Director should have a college degree in child development, early childhood education, or related field, and extensive experience working with young children. Experience may be substituted for education.

Lead Teachers and Co-Teachers

Lead teachers and co-teachers should have a degree in child development, early childhood education or related field, in addition to experience working with young children. Experience may be substituted for education.

Assistant Teachers

Assistant teachers should have some college training or extensive experience working with young children. Experience may be substituted for education.

Music and Movement Teacher

The music teacher should have extensive experience in music, as well as early childhood education.

PRESCHOOL STAFF

During regular Preschool hours, the Staff may be reached by phone at 540-552-5424 ext. 7. The Staff do not check email, voicemail, brightwheel, or answer telephone calls outside the office hours of 8:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday during the school year. As the Preschool is not open during the summer, please allow sufficient time for the Director to respond to your email or phone call. Hours vary during the summer and the best way to reach the School is via email to preschool@blacksburgumc.org.

Position	Name	Room
Director	Debbie McDowell	Preschool Office
Music	Marci Craig	Music Room
Snack Coordinators	Robin Manuel Lorri Moench	
Lead Teachers	Lorri Moench Amanda Allen	Oak Room Redbud Room
Co-Teachers	Robin Manuel VACANT Brette Arms Tricia Wheatley	Maple Room Maple Room Magnolia Room Magnolia Room
Assistant Teachers	Brandi Lemmon Jennifer Stonefield Abigail Middleton	Oak Room Oak Room Redbud Room

PRESCHOOL BOARD

The email address to contact the Board is: thebumpboard@gmail.com. Emails are checked one time per week, on Fridays. The Board is comprised of Church Employees, Church Members, Parents, and Teachers. The Board meets at least once per quarter, as required by the United Methodist Church's *Book of Discipline*. The Board meets more frequently as business requires, at the discretion of its members. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact us at the above email address. Parent members help organize social events, fundraising, Teacher Appreciation week, serve as room parents, etc.

BUMC Staff	Members at Large (continued)
Brad Dulaney, Lead Pastor	Ginger Cope
Debbie McDowell, Preschool Director	Chelsea Flessner
Pamela Winkeler, Director of Finance	Robin Manuel
	Mary Lou Moore
Members at Large	April G. Peacock
Megan Acito	Courtney Sakry
Lynda Bailey	
Sue Ellen Cannon	

COVID POLICIES AND PROCEDURES 2022-23

We recognize that COVID-19 is a serious disease with potential lasting consequences to those who contract the virus. In order to prevent and mitigate COVID-19 to the extent possible, the following policies and procedures will be instituted for the 2022-23 school year. This list is not exhaustive and we reserve the right to modify COVID-19 policies and procedures as we see fit. Should any additions or subtractions be made to the following list, we will inform you in writing of such changes. Our goal is to keep BUMP open for the entire school year. With your help, we are confident this vision will become reality.

Thank you for your support.

The BUMP Board of Directors

Personal Mitigation Strategies

1. All BUMP teachers and staff are required to be vaccinated. Boosters are encouraged but not required.
2. All BUMP teachers and staff will wear masks when the CDC Community Level in Montgomery County is Red. Otherwise, teacher masking is optional, but encouraged.
3. Masking by BUMP students is optional and at parent discretion.
4. All parents/family will wear masks while indoors in the Preschool when the CDC Community Level in Montgomery County is Red. Otherwise parent/family masking is optional, but encouraged.

Drop-off/Pick-Up

1. Drop-off and Pick-up will revert to classroom drop-off for the 2022-23 school year unless there are unforeseen circumstances, at which time we will inform you of modifications.

Please follow these instructions for classroom drop-off:

- a. Line up outdoors under the awning at the double glass doors adjacent to the playground. Four year old classes will be to the left; three year old classes to the right.
- b. Wait for BUMP staff to open the glass doors and proceed to your classroom. Check-in will occur at the glass doors.
- c. Please exit the school promptly to prevent overcrowding in the hallways. Utilize exits closest to your classrooms. Maples and Magnolias should exit via the courtyard, turn left on Church St., then turn left onto Lee St. back to your vehicles. Oaks and Redbuds should exit via the BUMP entrance to the double glass doors adjacent to the playground. The Lee St. door will remain closed and locked during the school day; please do not exit this door as traffic is unpredictable, especially while Virginia Tech is in session.

Please follow these instructions for classroom pick-up:

- d. Line up outdoors under the awning at the double glass doors adjacent to the playground. Four year old classes will be to the left; three year old classes to the right.
- e. Wait for BUMP staff to open the glass doors and proceed to your classroom. Check-out will occur with teachers at the classrooms.
- f. Please exit the school promptly to prevent overcrowding in the hallways. Utilize exits closest to your classrooms. Maples and Magnolias should exit via the courtyard, turn left on Church St., then turn left onto Lee St. back to your vehicles. Oaks and Redbuds should exit via the BUMP entrance to the double

glass doors adjacent to the playground. The Lee St. door will remain closed and locked during the school day; please do not exit this door as traffic is unpredictable, especially while Virginia Tech is in session.

2. Provide a hard-sided water bottle, filled, each day, that is easily wipeable.

Classroom

1. CO2 monitors and air purifiers in each classroom.
2. Open windows and interior doors. Please dress your child appropriately when cool weather is expected.
3. Distanced snack time to the extent possible. Teachers will serve snack to students; no family style.
4. Increased time outdoors to the extent possible. Please dress your child appropriately for heat, cold, rain, snow. Apply sunscreen prior to school each day, in anticipation of increased outdoor time.
5. Automatic soap and paper towel dispensers have been installed in each classroom and bathrooms.
6. No water fountain usage.
7. Increased hand washing and usage of hand sanitizer.

Health Screening

1. General health checks occur daily by staff **and** families. By bringing your child each day, you are confirming that he/she and any family members/close contacts, do not exhibit any symptoms of COVID-19 nor have been exposed to anyone with COVID-19.
2. If there is a need to give your child ibuprofen or Tylenol before preschool, do not bring your child that day.
3. If your child has any respiratory symptoms, fever, runny nose, is throwing up for any reason, has diarrhea, or other COVID-19 or other illness symptoms, do not bring your child to school.
4. If your child exhibits symptoms of COVID-19 or other symptoms of illness, you will be contacted. We reserve the right to require a negative COVID-19 test before your child returns to school.
5. Your child should be fever-free and symptom-free for 24 hours without medication before returning to school.

Travel, Quarantine, and School Closure

1. Please travel safely, for the courtesy of our families and staff. We reserve the right to require a negative COVID-19 test before your child returns to school.
2. In the event of a COVID-19 exposure in the school, BUMP will contact all families promptly. Quarantine or school closure for up to two weeks may be required depending upon the classroom(s) of exposure. COVID-19 testing may also be required before returning to school. We will work with local health officials, as needed.

COVID-19 LIABILITY STATEMENT

Blacksburg United Methodist Church (BUMC) and Preschool are taking appropriate precautions to provide a safe atmosphere for all. Worship attendees and participants in church and preschool activities acknowledge and agree that they are doing so at their own risk and understand that in participating, there is an inherent risk of exposure to communicable diseases, including but not limited to COVID-19. By attending worship or other church and preschool activities at BUMC, attendees acknowledge and agree that they fully accept all risk associated with their presence on BUMC property, including all risks of injury or illness.