

## **Child Safety Standards**

At Washington Cathedral, the safety and well-being of children are our highest priorities. We are grateful for your support in upholding our standards of excellence.

### **Bathroom/Diaper Procedures:**

- Parents will be notified via text if a baby or toddler requires a diaper change while the parent is on campus.
- If a parent is not available, a volunteer may change the diaper following strict hygiene practices: keeping the door open, wearing gloves, washing hands thoroughly, and sanitizing the changing area afterward.
- Volunteers escort children to the restroom, ensuring children wash their hands afterward. As part of our open-door policy, volunteers will encourage children to close the stall door while keeping the restroom facility door open.
- Please sanitize diaper changing and nursing areas after use.

### **Other Safety Standards:**

- All Children must be signed in at the entrance to the children's classroom, and only a parent or guardian can sign them out.
- All volunteers aged 18 and older undergo background checks.
- To ensure the safety of children, at least two volunteers will be present in a classroom. If only one adult is available temporarily, the door to the room will remain open.
- Incident reports are completed if a child is injured.
- Please inform us if your child has allergies, as classrooms may contain allergens.
- Toys are regularly sanitized.
- **To prevent the spread of illness, please do not send your child to the classroom if they are contagious, have had a fever over 100°F in the past 24 hours, or have vomited. Designated areas are available for children who are unwell during services.**