

Eastminster Presbyterian Church

CHILDREN'S CHOIR 2025-2026 Guidelines

Who We Are

The Children's Choir is a group of fun, talented, God-loving kids in grades K-5 at Eastminster Church! We learn new songs, how to sing, and about the Bible through song, meet new friends and use our voices to praise God! The Children's Choir practices from 1:00-2:00 PM generally every Saturday except for the those after they sing, during holiday breaks, and other breaks as communicated by Ms. Nikki during the school year (September through the first Sunday in June). The children typically sing on the third Sunday of each month, although scheduling flexibility is sometimes necessary and communicated in advance.

Promptness

Our practices begin at 1:00 PM. Please bring your child(ren) on time so we may begin promptly with everyone present. Accordingly, please pick your child(ren) up promptly at 2:00 PM and notify Ms. Nikki if your child(ren) will be leaving with another parent.

Commitment

Children's Choir members are expected to attend Saturday practices and sing on their Sundays. If a child's absence is unavoidable, we ask parents to please text message or email to Ms. Nikki <u>in advance</u> to communicate their child's absence. **Note:** if an emergency arises on a Saturday or Sunday, please <u>text</u> (not email): 412-298-6058. Participation in the Children's Choir is a **commitment for the entire school year**. We know academics, sports, travel, school functions...life happens, but we ask that families <u>please reserve scheduled Saturday practice times and singing Sundays for Children's Choir</u>.

Attendance Points

Children accumulate **points** each time they attend practice and sing on third Sundays. Points are redeemable at their monthly "store" after rehearsals, where they get to shop for cool toys, candy, and books as a reward for their participation.

Pictures & Videos

Our services are captured by video every Sunday and streamed to our platforms: Facebook, Church Online, YouTube, television, partner broadcasts and our website. Your child(ren) will be captured via video each time they sing, so please sign the authorization form giving Eastminster Presbyterian Church permission to broadcast your child's image and likeness with our Children's Choir.



About Our Director, Church and Pastor

■ Rev. Nikki Porter is the Director of the Children's Choir and Minister of Music at Eastminster Church, voice teacher with the Judah Project, and a professional singer/recording artist. She has been at Eastminster for 21 years! You can text or call her at (412) 298-6058 or email her: nporter@eastminsterchurch.net
You can learn more about Eastminster Church by visiting our website: www.eastminsterchurch.net or Facebook page. Rev. Dr. Aaron Teter is our pastor.

