

## Welcome to Childcare at Trinity!



At Trinity Presbyterian Church, we want you to feel comfortable dropping your child off in the nursery or Godly Playrooms knowing that your child is safe, happy, and loved. Ms. Nene is our Childcare Supervisor and is also the Godly Play preschool lead teacher. Childcare is available for infants through Kindergarteners during worship services and the education hour.

We normally keep the infants/babies in Room 1. On the busier Sundays, we will have Room 4 (across the hall from Room 1) open for the toddlers so that there is plenty of space. The toddler program is led by Ms. Lisa. She is trained in Godly Play and will offer a modified version of the Godly Play program with a story, music, snack, and play time. The routine will be the same each week so your child will learn what to expect. If your children are siblings and for the first few times they prefer to stay together in the same room, the childcare team will work with you.

### Childcare Rooms are located off the Preschool Hallway

- **Nursery in Room 1 (For infants through beginning walkers)**
- **Toddlers in Room 4 (or room 1.)**
- **Godly Play (ages 3-6 ) in Room 11**

We have room for your toddler to toddle and explore as well as space for infants to be cared for. On our busier days, the toddlers may be in Room 4. (across the hall).

### What is Godly Play?

The Godly Play program is designed to offer the children experiential opportunities and teach them the elements of worship. The children are welcome to go to church until after Children's Moment and then be dismissed for Godly Play.

Godly Play is a Montessori-style class for children ages 3 up to kindergarten. Godly Play is a unique approach to Christian education which invites children to explore and interact with Bible stories while igniting curiosity and wonder about God and their faith.

The children have dedicated items to play and discover more about the Bible as well as a variety of crafts to choose from. Each session ends with a blessing and prayer time. Lisa and Nene are both trained in. The Godly Play program does not follow the lectionary, so be sure to ask your child what story they learned about today! More questions?

<http://www.godlyplay.org/>



## **What to Know When You Drop Off Your Child**

- You can drop off your child before service or during the service after announcements.
- Please sign in your name (print legibly), where you will be, your child's name and age, and any allergies.
- We encourage you to leave a diaper bag (with your child's name clearly marked on it) with wipes, diapers, and a favorite toy and snack. Please let us know when they might like the snack/bottle. Please NO peanut products.
- If your child is going to Godly Play, they can be signed in at the back of the sanctuary or Calvin Hall caregivers will escort them down to Room 11 (by the large mural in the preschool hallway). You can pick them up in Room 11 after worship.
- When your child is signed in, we will put a name tag on their backs and their bag.
- If your child is taken for a diaper change in the restroom or to another room, they will be signed out by the caregiver.
- If you have any questions, please ask one of our staff or Ms. Nene, the childcare supervisor.

## Childcare Staff



**Childcare Director Nene Pisigan (Ms. Nene)** has been at Trinity for 11 years and has two grown children. Prior to leading the child-care program here, she was a nanny for a church member. She is much loved by generations of children at Trinity. She is also an assistant teacher at Chesterbrook Montessori. Nene has attended numerous Godly Play trainings and has introduced the program to Trinity. Nene originally is from the Philippines.



**Luisa Pisigan (Ms. Lisa)** has been at Trinity 9 years and has 2 children of her own. She is a full-time Administrative Coordinator at Howard University. Prior to that, she worked at Chesterbrook Montessori School with Nene. She is also trained in Godly Play and enjoys introducing the children to the Christian stories. Lisa is Nene's sister-in-law and is also from the Philippines.



**Pramila Singh (Pramila)** has been at Trinity for over 20 years and is a mother of two grown children. She currently works as a nanny in Arlington and was a nanny for a Trinity member as well. She also works part time cleaning, cooking, and babysitting for other families as well. Pramila is also originally from India.



**Vijaya Dusher (Vee-zhi-ya)** has been at Trinity for over 20 years as well and is from the same town in India as Pramila. She is a currently a nanny for a 4 and 6-year-old. She loves cooking as well.



**Balama kala Balama (Padma for short)** has been at Trinity since 2004. She is a mother of three children and originally is from India. She loves cooking and taking care of children. She works as a nanny and part time housekeeper/cook.



**Caitlin Naranja** has been at Trinity for over 7 years and is a recent health admin undergraduate from VCU. She currently works as Trinity's office temp as well. She loves animals, travelling, and food!



**Rowena Naranja** joined us in 2022. Rowena is originally from the Philippines and is currently a full-time nanny in Mclean. She has 3 grown children, one working at Trinity as well.

Questions? Ask Ms. Nene! You can also email Ben Stewart ([ben@trinityarlington.org](mailto:ben@trinityarlington.org))