



# CUMC Preschool News

Community United Methodist Church Preschool April 2019

## April Dates

### **April 1 & 2**

Vision Screening

### **April 13**

Messy Church  
5-7pm

### **April 15**

Easter break

### **April 22**

School reconvenes

Mark your calendars...Mommy and Me Day is coming!!!

Come dressed to play!

### **Mommy & Me Day**

Saturday May 11  
9 - 10 AM

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## Preschool Children Benefit from Outdoor Play in Many Ways!

The beautiful spring weather is finally here. It is the perfect time to experience the great outdoors with your child. Outdoor play in all weather helps children grow up to be more resilient. Children who are allowed to play outside in the rain, sun, heat or cold develop different skills than children who are taught to come inside whenever the weather is not perfect. Before television and computers, it used to be normal for kids to spend much more time outside. Now, many children feel less comfortable outside than inside simply because they are not used to it. Family, teachers and mentors should encourage children with smiles to experience the outdoors in all weather. In Reggio Emilia the concept of the "environment as the third teacher" is very important. Children learn more from experiencing the outdoors.

Things to do outside include: Playing games, watching birds and bugs at work, helping start a flower or vegetable garden, digging, flying a kite, riding a bike or going for a hike at a park, or just relaxing.

Being outdoors encourages children to be curious about the world and ask questions. Don't let fears of too much sun, bugs or allergies get in the way. Children grow up healthy in all weather conditions, all over the world. Get outside and play! <http://www.youngschool.com/blog/2015/04/get-outside-and-play-this-spring>

## Palm Sunday

April 14th is Palm Sunday and CUMC will host a family Easter Egg hunt and BBQ following the 9:30am service. The hunt goes quickly so get there by 10:30.

## Time with Teacher

It is often difficult for teachers to speak with you about your child at drop-off and pick-up. They would like to be sure they can give their full attention and focus to you. If you need to discuss something about your child with the teacher, please email her or ask her to call you at a later time. Thank you!

## Easter Programs

Please join us in the sanctuary to celebrate this Easter time with a short story of "new life" followed by your preschoolers singing seasonal songs. Everyone is invited! We hope that you'll be able to set aside this 15 minutes to share in a special time with your child.

Tuesday, April 9th at 9am

Wednesday, April 10th at 9am

## Summer School

Summer School registration is ongoing until all spots are filled. Spaces are filling up, though, so please check with the office if you are planning to register. This is an opportunity for your child to experience lots of water play, cooking, stories, science and art. Three-morning tuition is \$290 and two-morning tuition is \$250. There is no registration fee for the summer session. Dates for summer school are June 24th - July 19th.

## Earthquake Preparedness Month

Our children participate in earthquake drills as well as monthly fire drills, which are mandated by our local fire department. These drills are presented in a low-key atmosphere, emphasizing safety first. Medical supplies are available in the office and storage units containing food, water and safety equipment are located in various locations throughout the church buildings. With increased awareness and safety skills honed, there is no need for anxiety—but we do need to be prepared! If you have any questions, please stop by the office.