

# Events with Automatically Provided Childcare

At Foothills Unitarian Church, certain congregation-wide events automatically include childcare services to ensure all families can participate fully in our community life. These events are integral to our communal worship, decision-making, and celebration. The automatic provision of childcare for these gatherings reflects our commitment to inclusivity and support for families with young children.

## Events with Automatic Childcare:

- Sunday Worship Services:** Every Sunday, as a core part of our communal spiritual life, childcare is provided to allow parents and guardians to engage fully in worship.
- Congregational Meetings:** Meetings that involve important decision-making processes, including votes that shape the future of our congregation, ensure that all members can participate without childcare concerns.
- Events Requiring a Congregational Vote:** Any event specifically organized to facilitate congregational voting, recognizing the importance of every vote in guiding our church's direction.
- Special Congregation-Wide Celebrations:** Key events in the church calendar that bring our community together for celebration, reflection, or commemoration.

## Key Characteristics of Automatically Provided Childcare:

- **Drop-In Availability:** No prior registration is required for these events, offering flexibility and ease for families attending.
- **Ensured Safety and Engagement:** A minimum of two childcare providers are present to maintain safety standards and engage children in appropriate activities.
- **Free of Charge:** This service is provided free to participants, underscoring our commitment to accessibility for all church members.

This practice on automatically provided childcare for essential congregation-wide events ensures that Foothills Unitarian Church remains a welcoming, inclusive space for families of all shapes and sizes. By removing barriers to participation, we foster a more engaged and vibrant community.

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