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*Our Mission ....*

The mission of Trinity United Methodist Church is to reach out and welcome all people, offering them spirit-filled worship, lifelong learning, and opportunities to reach out in works of justice, service, and fellowship as a response to God's call to be disciples of Jesus Christ.

Trinity Child Care at Village Gardens is a ministry of Trinity United Methodist Church. We believe children learn through meaningful experiences that enhance their spiritual, social, emotional, cognitive, and physical developmental stages.



*Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.*

**Hours of Operation:**

**Monday through Friday**

**7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

**Tours by Appointment**

**Call for more information**



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**Overview** - Learning is a process that continually takes place as children make new discoveries about the world. We believe in the potential of children and strive to build creative, nurturing and stimulating environments that promote exploration and discovery. We value families and strive to provide opportunities to build a sense of community! Our dedication to children, our facility, qualified staff, curriculum, and quality materials work together to create a wonderful community for children to develop and grow.

**Play is a Child's Work** - Play is the most important vehicle of your child's early learning. Your child will find a book and a quiet corner, dress-up clothes, puppets, dolls, music and instruments at Trinity. We have all of the clay, paints, scissors and paper he or she needs. We're also equipped with puzzles, counting and sorting materials, riding toys, climbing structures, as well as an outdoor play area.



**Staff** - Our staff is carefully screened and highly qualified with education and/or experience in early childhood. We are licensed to care for children from 6 weeks to 12 years. Our warm and caring staff is chosen for their educational qualifications, experience and their ability to provide the children with fun and developmental appropriate activities in an open ended safe environment. Every staff member attends professional development workshops and seminars.

**Meals** - Children enrolled in our program receive breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack. Healthy food habits are established early in life. We keep the food we serve close to its natural state, low in sugar, salt, fat, preservatives and additives. Fruit is juice-packed or fresh; and whole-grain products are included. The meals are balanced and include a variety of foods according to USDA guidelines.

# PROGRAMS

Young children have special needs, a unique learning style, and boundless energy. So, as you might imagine a classroom for these young children is a very special place. At Trinity our classrooms are highly specialized learning environments carefully planned to meet the needs of children. Our teachers will create a classroom that is a unique, exciting, interesting place where active learning takes place from the minute a child first walks through the door. Children learn by doing at Trinity. We strive to excite children about learning by giving them opportunities to make discoveries on their own about themselves and their world.

## INFANTS 6 WEEKS - 18 MONTHS

Age-appropriate activities promote cognitive and social development in a warm, nurturing environment.

## TODDLERS 18 MONTHS - 3 YEARS



Our daily activities develop your child's academic skills while your child enhances his or her social skills. A faith-based curriculum is used to develop your child's spiritual development. Outdoor play is essential to your child's motor skills development and many outdoor activities are used.

Focus is also placed on successful interactions with other children.

## PRESCHOOL 3 YEARS - KINDERGARTEN

A curriculum designed to prepare children for the next adventure that comes—kindergarten! Curriculum is faith-based and designed to meet your preschooler's needs.

## SUMMER PROGRAMS UP TO 12 YEARS

Designed for kids. Summer-long programs provide unique themes and activities for older children in a convenient location.