

# Special Needs Ministry

In Christian Education programs at Wildwood Presbyterian Church we want to help every child and his/her family as they grow and develop in their Christian journey of faith. Because of this special goal we have a Special Needs Ministry that welcomes, loves and supports children and their parents with special attention given to situations that require a little extra help in the classroom or extra staff training.

## Welcoming Children and Youth

Our approach to classroom management looks closely at behavioral expectations, classroom environment, scheduling, and problem solving techniques. We realize that ALL children learn in different ways and could benefit from the structure and loving approach to discipline that this ministry employs.

In order to accomplish our goals we take extra care to have simple rules introduced, posted, and reiterated in every Christian Education room. We encourage parents to schedule a "walk-through" to discuss accommodations that would work best. We also provide general training to teachers and leaders on how to approach learning or behavioral difficulties. We also need extra folks who are willing to be trained to be a buddy to a child or youth that needs a little extra help and a deeper understanding of what works and what doesn't with that student. If you feel called to this important and rewarding ministry please contact Kathy Gillmore (847)223-0073.

