

What Is a Playground?

It is a designated space in worship where young children learn the elements of worshipping God in a safe, warm, and welcoming way.



Goals of Maple Avenue's playground

- Help children build a close personal relationship with God
- Give children a safe place to model faith and acts of worship
- Encourage discovery of the elements of the church, i.e., collection plate, altar, breaking of bread & wine, stoles, candles...
- Teach the reverence and peace of a Holy place
- Share a space with new families that says all people are welcome in worship
- Have all kids find the love of Christ

The playground will be available for families to use at all times during worship. Families can choose to have their children attend children's church or stay in worship. However, on the first Sunday of each month, all children will remain with their families for the entire service (no children's church). Currently, we expect the highest adoption of the playground space.

As with all pilot ministries, we'll make adjustments, learn, and grow. Our focus is to ensure Maple Avenue always creates an open, warm space for everyone to meet Jesus.