## We Welcome Children to our Church!



# Here are a few things you may find useful...

St Matthew's Church The Parish of Edgeley and Cheadle Heath



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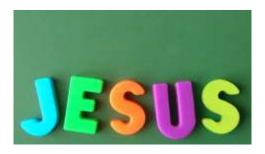
Here at St Matthew's we value **all** people, and **all** ages are welcome. Children are part of our family and we want you all to enjoy worshipping with us.

During our Sunday services, we have a crèche area for babies and very young children (under age 4). Please remember that you are responsible for supervising your little one at all times.

We have groups for children and young people (age 4+) that meet most Sundays during the 11.15am service. We encourage our young people to get involved in our All Age Service, which is held on the last Sunday of the month.

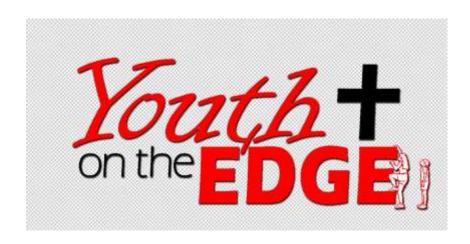
#### For Children and Young People

Please have fun as you learn about Jesus and the Christian faith! We are here to help and guide you, so please ask if you want to know more.



Bring your friends! We are on Facebook and Twitter, so friend us and follow us.

If you have any ideas, worries or concerns, please ask to speak to Karen Bailey, who is in charge of our work with children and young people.





#### For Parents/Carers

#### YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN AT ALL TIMES



We want your children to be as safe as they can possibly be — we have a Safeguarding Policy which you can see at any time. Everyone involved in work with children and young people has had a DBS check.

You must supervise your children in the crèche area and don't allow your children to be unattended in the café area.

If your children would like to join the Sunday groups, they are very welcome.

You will need to complete a registration form once a year and sign the children in each week (Sunday groups are held in the adjacent St Matthew's Church House and children are supervised at all times by Sunday-group helpers).

At the start of our services, we will make announcements regarding the children leaving for their groups. Please listen for announcements and take your children to their leaders, to be escorted to their groups. Children will always be returned to you in time for Holy Communion.



If you have any questions, comments, worries or concerns, please contact:



Karen Bailey, our children's leader karen.bailey@edgeleyandcheadleheath.org.uk or

Reverend David Brewster vicar@edgeleyandcheadleheath.org.uk

## Church isn't just for Sundays!

We love spending time with children and their families and are always looking for new things to do.

#### Look out for:

- ✓ Craft activities on Good Friday and during Advent
- ✓ Summer holiday day trips to places like Rhyl or Llandudno
- ✓ Summer holiday clubs
- ✓ Summer swim parties at Avondale Leisure



**And if you have one of these**...don't miss our fabulous **toddler group** for the under-threes and their parents/carers, held every Friday morning during term time, between 09.30 – 11.00.





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