

# The Top Ten Reasons Why Children Are Welcomed in Our Church

-  Repeated exposure to the sights, sounds and symbols of Eucharist help form all Christians.
-  Children actually like sitting in those usually-empty front row seats so they can see and hear what's going on.
-  It would be expensive to repaint all those signs to read "The Episcopal Church Only Welcomes Adults."
-  Practice makes perfect – teaching young children to enjoy and participate in the service helps them become active and receptive worshipping adults.
-  There are no pop quizzes at the communion rail! We all experience the Eucharist as a mystery . . . you don't have to be able to explain it in order to benefit from it.
-  Children have their own unique relationships with God. Being in church helps them learn how to pray, sing, worship, and otherwise strengthen that relationship.
-  If children aren't in church, who are the candy-unwrapping, restless, coughing, whispering adults going to blame for the noise?
-  Sunday services make great family-togetherness time. Use the quiet space for extra hand-holding or snuggling time that may get lost during a busy week.
-  Children teach us what absolute joy looks like – and what better place to experience that than in church?

And the Number One reason why Children are Welcomed in our Church:



The Circle of God's family is incomplete without them!

