## **PHILOSOPHY**

St. David's Preschool is a ministry of St. David's Episcopal Church

The mission of our preschool is to provide a joyful enriching learning experience that will develop a love for learning and a sense of security that will last a lifetime.

The first five years of a child's life form a foundation for later development.

St. David's Preschool embodies the Episcopal identity where values are taught, differences are respected, curiosity is encouraged, and all are welcome.

What will your child learn in our fun, safe, and loving environment? Social Skills with peers and adults, and through Preschool Chapel lessons, Self-Esteem through independent decision making and ageappropriate responsibilities, Language Skills through conversation, daily reading, alphabet, Handwriting Without Tears, Phonemic awareness through games and programs like Recipe for Reading, Fine Motor Skills through tracing, cutting, pasting, painting, writing, planting, Math Skills matching, sorting, measuring, counting, and patterning, Science Skills through experiments and cooking, Gross Motor Skills through music and movement class as well as outdoor activities.

Foster **Imagination** through make-believe, picture books, and free play. Above all, we believe that each child is **sacred**, **special**, **and unique**.

We seek to meet the particular needs of each individual in a secure, emotionally supportive environment.