



Arlington Height's Plan Commission

Application

For

Faith Lutheran Church and Lambs of Faith Early Childhood Center

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Faith Lutheran Church and Lambs of Faith Early Childhood Center

Narrative Summary

Lambs of Faith Early Childhood Center is located at Faith Lutheran Church, 431 S. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005. Lambs of Faith ECC is a ministry of Faith Lutheran Church. We opened in the fall of 2013. We are licensed by DCFS #526829-02. We serve two – six year olds in part-time preschool programming (9:00am-12:00noon). Children can extend the day to 1:00pm with our Lunch Bunch program. At this time, we have two classrooms on the main level of the building that are licensed to serve thirty-nine students per day. However, program wise, we have stayed below thirty children per day to provide a quality preschool program.

We will be adding one additional Preschool Classroom (3-5 year olds) and a Motor Room (Indoor Gym area for 2-6 year olds) on the second floor of our education wing. We are predicting that the new preschool classroom will be licensed for twenty children, ages three to five year olds because it is the same square footage as the classroom below it. Our Licensing Capacity will then grow from thirty-nine children per day to approximately fifty-nine children per day. Once DCFS has licensed the second floor for preschool space, we will provide the Village of Arlington Heights with an updated copy of our DCFS license and capacity.

The two classrooms on the main level are approximately 700 square feet each for a total of 1,400 Square Feet (We currently operate under Special Use Ordinance #03-022). We are adding an additional preschool classroom upstairs at approximately 700 square feet. We are also creating a Large Motor Room on the second floor for the preschool children to use to build large motor skills during inclement weather. The Large Motor Room and a small Teacher Workspace combined are approximately 1,400 square feet. Lambs of Faith Early Childhood Center would be a total of 3,500 square feet with three classrooms, a Large Motor room, and a teacher work space.

Lambs of Faith Early Childhood Center is open to children in our church congregation, as well as in the community. We provide young children in the Arlington Heights area with a Christian learning environment that feeds body, mind, and soul.

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Daytime Parking Analysis on a Typical Weekday

Use	Square Area	Parking Ratio	# of Employees	Parking Required
Lambs of Faith	3,500 SF	1	6 Employees	6 spaces
ECC Staff		space/employee		
Faith Lutheran Church Administrative Office	504 SF	l space/employee	5 Employees	5 spaces
Total Required				11 spaces
Total Provided				63 Spaces
Surplus				52 Spaces

Faith Lutheran Church has a North and a South parking lot with a total of sixty-three regular parking spots and six handicap parking spots. The Table above shows the breakdown of spots for Monday through Friday. The hours of operation for the preschool do not interfere with scheduled church services, which are held on the weekends. A Bible Study class is held on Tuesday mornings from 10:00am-11:00am with an average of six people in attendance with our Senior Pastor, Rev. Thomas Sanders. This Bible Study does not interfere with preschool drop off at 9:00am or pick up at 12:00 noon or 1:00pm. The Church Staff consists of two full time employees and three part-time employees for a total of five employees. The preschool staff consists of six part-time staff members.

Attached is a parking study for Monday, May 23, 2016 and Tuesday, May 24, 2016 while our current preschool was in session. On Monday, seventeen children were present and on Tuesday, May 24th twenty-eight children were present. Our current DCFS licensing capacity is thirty-nine children. Our predicted DCFS licensing capacity with the new classroom is fifty-nine children. Many families have two children enrolled in the preschool (i.e. we have a couple set of twins, we also have families that have a child in the two year old program and a child in the four year old program). Many families also carpool with friends. Based on Lambs of Faith's preschool programming and providing quality care for young children, the maximum amount of children enrolled per day would be forty-eight children.

The majority of the families enter the north or south parking lots from Arlington Heights Road. Approximately five of the families enter from Pine from the Scarsdale neighborhood. Parents escort their children into the building. Based on the survey, the peak times are at drop off in between 9:00 and 9:30am and at dismissal at 12:00noon. Some of our students stay for our Lunch Bunch program and are not dismissed until 1:00pm. Therefore, the peak parking time is at arrival during the 9:00 am hour with the highest number of cars at 9:00 am on Tuesday, May 24th during the survey.