

Children's Ministry Leadership Committee

Everyone is invited to become members of the Children's Ministry Leadership Committee, a committee devoted to nurturing the spiritual development of children. The Children's Council meets one Sunday a month following the 10:55 service. Come enjoy lunch while we discuss programs, upcoming events, participate calendar planning, and voice concerns or ideas.

Come and touch the life of a child with us.

Safe Sanctuaries Training

Safe Sanctuary training was established for the physical safety and spiritual growth of our children and youth. The program will educate volunteers on policies and procedures for working with our children. A background check is performed on each volunteer and he or she must participate in Safe Sanctuary training, held twice a year.

Children's Calendar 2011

October

Oct. 9: Children's Sabbath/Jr. Youth 5-7:00pm
Oct. 16: Jr. Youth 5-7:00pm (Labor of Love)
Oct. 23: Jr. Youth 5-7:00pm
Oct. 29: Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat 6-8
 Haunted Youth Hayride 9-10:30
Oct.30: Jr. Youth 5-7:00pm

November

Nov. 6: Jr. Youth 5-7:00pm
Nov. 11: Family Fun Trip to Dollywood RSVP by
 Oct. 31
Nov. 13: Jr. Youth 5-7:00pm (Shop for Operation
 Poland)
Nov. 20: Thanksgiving covered dish lunch for
 Children's Ministry Sunday School
 Classes Preschool-5th Grade
 Jr. Youth 5-7:00pm.
Nov. 27: Jr. Youth 5-7:00pm

December

Dec. 4: Family Fun Christmas Caroling 4-6
Dec. 11: Jr. Youth Christmas Party 5-7
Dec. 18: No Jr. Youth
Dec. 25: Happy Birthday Jesus

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Missions Statement:

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Our objective is to provide children from birth to the 5th grade with a positive environment where they are surrounded by ministers who love them and want to prepare them to go forth and become Fishers of Men.

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Matthew 19:14



Noah's Nursery

Our children's walk begins in Noah's Nursery with our Nursery Attendants Ms. Sue and Ms. Sandy. Here our little ones ranging in age from birth to 2 years old are invited to stay during our 8:30 service, Sunday School, and 10:55 service on Sunday mornings. They will be surrounded by comforting songs, interactive play toys, bible stories. The nursery will be available to those with children Sunday mornings, Wednesday evening during Bible Study, during Handbell Practice, Chancel Choir, and special events.

Preschool-Elementary

The Sunday School Curriculum will focus on building a firm foundation while discovering the books of the bible, identifying the stories from each book, verse memorization and understanding, and application in their life. This year we are excited to add Mission Moment to our curriculum. Our children will build a relationship with the Edworthy Family, who have just recently moved to Krakow Poland to work in the mission field. Our children will spend time each Sunday reaching out to this family and the people of Poland.

Come and join us each Sunday morning at 9:30 and 10:50 as we embark on our journey together.



Children's Church



For children 3 years old through Kindergarten we offer a way to further their walk with the Lord, during the 10:55 service. Each week, the children will leave "Big" church after offering has been taken and venture to Children's Chapel where they will have a lesson based on the Lectionary, craft, songs, and games related to the scripture.

Kids Care (Kindergarten-2nd grade) Jr. Youth (3rd-5th Grade)

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Once a quarter from 3:30-5:00 in the Fellowship Hall children Kindergarten-2nd grade are invited for an afternoon of fun and fellowship, and outreach.

Jr. Youth (3rd-5th Grade)

Every night beginning September 11th, 3rd-5th grade will meet from 5-7 in the Fellowship Hall for a DVD study on the TV series **7th Heaven**. We will also be reaching out to the community through Labor of Love with the Youth. **Make your connection today!**

Children's Music Ministry

If you have a child who loves to sing, we have the program for you! Each Wednesday evening, Cherub choir is offered for preschool through 1st grade with Ms. Beverly Gladin and Tammie Gross and Junior Choir is offered for 2nd grade through 6th grade with Mr. Steve. Children will learn music theory, learn to play chimes, and practice songs for worship service, spring musical, and Christmas.

Other Activities:

During the course of the year the Children's Ministry offers other opportunities for families to fellowship with others. These activities include a themed Family Fun Night, Children's Ministry Fundraisers, Summer Wacky Weekdays, Vacation Bible School, Back to School Splash, Trunk or Treat, Easter Eggstravaganza, etc. (Please check the monthly newsletter for the scheduled events.)