

# Programs of the Children's Ministry

## Nursery

Newborn to 4-year-olds

Our professionally staffed nursery, along with volunteers, provides loving care during Sunday School, Sunday worship services, Wednesday night programs, special events and meetings. Children enjoy Bible story, music, and various other learning activities during child care sessions.

## Children's Church

Kindergarten and 1st graders

Offered during the 11 a.m. worship, August-June. Volunteer leaders guide the children in Scripture study, learning activities, and music. Worship guides and bags are available for children attending worship. This class meets in Room 116.



## Get Ready! Get Set! Worship!

2nd graders

Four classes focus on the preparation for worship to introduce children and parents to the Sanctuary, the theology and practice of worship, and the Sacraments. Classes will be offered in the spring.

## Junior Ushers

3rd graders-5th graders

Service is the primary mission of the junior ushers. Ushers serve the Lord and are trained to be leaders in the church. Junior ushers will greet people – principally other children – at the Sunday services of worship, and make visitors welcome.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

"Our mission is to provide Christian growth for children and their families by nurturing their personal relationship with Jesus Christ through education, service to others, and fellowship."

## Wednesday Together

3-year-olds through the 5th grade

This mid-week program offers opportunities to "build a strong, Christian faith through God's gift of music and Bible exploration!" Children participate in worship, holidays and special events. Sessions meet after the 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Together meal for music from 6:00-6:30 p.m. and Bible exploration from 6:30-7:00 p.m.



## Sunday School

Age 2 through the 5th grade

Classes meet 9:45-10:45 a.m. year-round. We use the *Think Orange* curriculum, a new learning resource that is fresh and exciting. Children from birth to pre-kindergarten use *First Look*, and elementary-age students use *252 Basics*. The children will learn biblical truths each week through Bible stories, and learn how we are to employ these truths in our everyday lives. Sunday School classes meet in designated, age-specific rooms. Parents will receive regular emails/handouts informing them of the theme for each month and how they can extend the learning from church into activities at home.



## Family Events

These activities include bowling, laser tag, fishing, parent's night out, and events such as the Fall Festival and Easter Celebration. Other activities emphasize mission, including Rise Against Hunger, making greeting cards for deployed military men and women, collecting school supplies for local organizations, and creating cards for health kits bound for Haiti.

## Vacation Bible School

Preschool 2-year-olds through 5th & 6th graders

VBS is offered during the summer, always with an exciting theme. The morning program includes skits, Bible stories, crafts, mission opportunities, music, and games. Snacks are provided. Preteens participate in unique off-campus mission projects.





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### Catechism Class

5th & 6th graders

The class is formatted as a question and answer format covering all the basic doctrines of our Presbyterian belief and faith. Subjects covered included Jesus, God, sin, covenants, the Lord's Prayer, The Ten Commandments and the two sacraments (Lord's Supper and baptism). All Christians are called to life-long growth through education. A catechism class is a starting point for Christians to learn the building blocks of the Christian faith. Making Catechism a vital part of our Christian Education program provides a milestone for children moving up to join our youth program. Class is offered in the spring and teachers include pastors and volunteers.

### Club 543

3rd graders-5th graders

A new club is forming for this age group that will meet once a month from October to May to promote discipleship, friendship and fellowship. More information to come!

Check out [www.firstprez.com](http://www.firstprez.com) for more.

### First School

This preschool program is available to children ages 12 months to 4 years old and operates 9:00 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, following the traditional school calendar with a summer hiatus. First School uses a developmental approach to achieve the overall goal of ministering to the needs of each child in a nurturing Christian learning environment which promotes the growth of the total child. For more information, call First School Director Julie MacRae at 910-483-0146 or e-mail julie@firstprez.com



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