

Youth & Family Ministries

September 2016

Children's Bible Sponsorship



Putting Bibles in the hands of children so that they can hear the story of our faith is important. The Board of Christian Education has established the tradition of gifting Bibles to children.

When children enter Sunday School, they are given a Family Story Bible.

The NRSV Study Bible is given to children entering the 3rd grade

Bibles can be sponsored for \$20 each

To contribute to the Bible sponsorship fund, please use an envelope found in the Gathering Area and place it in the offering plate.

Thank you for your generosity.



Sunday School begins on September 11. Children entering 4k-6th grade are welcome to join us for Sunday School.

Our Sunday School is open to the community, we are all about **sharing** the love of God, so feel free to bring your friends and neighbors, everyone is welcome. ☺

Sunday School at Salem meets most Sundays during the school year from 9:45-10:45am

Registration forms are available online on our church's website or paper copies are available in the Gathering Area.

Quick Reference

We welcome God's children of all ages to join us in worship on Saturday afternoons at 4:30 or on Sunday mornings at 8:30.

Confirmation Classes meet on Wednesday nights. Classes begin at 6:15 and end at 7:30 unless otherwise noted on the syllabus.

Sunday School meets on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45. Except when otherwise noted on the Sunday School calendar. Children beginning 4K through 6th grade from our church and community are welcome to participate in Sunday School.

Confirmation classes meet on Wednesday nights beginning at 6:15pm. Students are welcome to enroll as early as 7th grade. Our Confirmation program is a 3 year program that combines study of scripture, faith application, prayer, worship, discipleship, and fellowship.

JR Youth Fellowship is open to children from 3rd-6th grade. JR Youth meets once a month from September-May. They generally meet after Sunday School until noon, except when they have special activities or events planned.

SR Youth Fellowship welcomes youth from 7th - 12th grade.

SR Youth Fellowship meets once a month from September-May. They generally meet on Sunday evenings at 6:30pm, except when they have special activities or events planned.

Sticky Faith is an intergenerational faith formation and fellowship opportunity that happens on the 3rd Wednesday of the month Sept-April. Sticky Faith is open to all. Children may attend without parents when they are in 3rd grade-12th grade. ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

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JR Youth Fellowship NEWS

JR Youth (3-6 grade) will meet in the youth room on September 11 after Sunday School until noon. All kids grades 3-6 are invited to join us as we plan all of the ways we want to serve our church and community and the fun stuff too! We plan to meet (generally) the second Sunday of the month from 10:45-noon with a few exceptions. If you have questions about JR Youth, you can contact one of our advisors Annette Bunyea (893-1015) or Marsha Meyer (892-0115)

SR Youth Fellowship NEWS

SR Youth (7-12 grades) will meet in the youth room on September 11 at 6:30pm. All youth grades 7-12 are welcome to join us on Sunday nights as we try to navigate through the school year with a renewed commitment to being an active part the body of Christ here at Salem. We plan to meet (generally) the second Sunday of the month at 6:30pm with a few exceptions. If you have questions about SR Youth, you can contact one of our advisors Susan Clarke (627-0875) or Marsha Meyer (892-0115)



2 more people needed to help teach
Sunday School

Our Sunday School is in need of one more teacher for our 4k-5k classroom. This teacher would be added to the teaching team and expected to teach approximately once every 3 weeks.

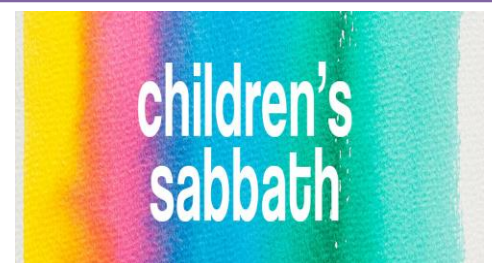
We are also in need of a music leader to teach and share their musical gifts with all ages of our Sunday School children (4k-6th grade). The children sing in worship multiple times of the school year, including Children's Sabbath, White Gift Sunday, Christmas program, Palm Sunday, Youth Sunday, etc. Music typically happens the last 10-15 minutes of the Sunday School hour. This commitment would be most Sundays.

If you or someone you know would be interested in either of these positions, please contact Marsha in the church office at 892-7456.



Bibles will be distributed to children entering 4k, 3rd grade and any other children new to our Sunday School in worship on September 18.

Please contact the church office by September 12 if your child is eligible for a Bible to ensure that a copy is available for your child.



October 16

Ask Boldly, Live Justly



Sticky Faith, our intergenerational, midweek faith formation ministry resumes on September 21!

We will gather at church the 3rd Wednesday of the month for a meal, a non-traditional worship experience, faith formation, and fellowship from 5:30-7:30pm.

ALL AGES are welcome! Come alone or with your family, there is something for everyone. (Children 2nd grade and younger need to be accompanied by a parent)

This year we will receive offerings in worship that will benefit:



Safe Harbor provides prevention education, crisis intervention, and ongoing outreach services to empower individuals, families and the community to live lives free of domestic abuse and sexual assault.

You are invited to bring your spare change or personal care items to donate to Safe Harbor as an offering in worship.

TEACH
encourage
instruct
MENTOR
PRAISE
influence
GUIDE
INSPIRE

The faith formation ministry at Salem wouldn't be possible without the many volunteers that share their gifts with our children & youth. As we begin another school year, please keep all of our teachers and volunteers in your prayers. And if you have the chance, thank them personally for their ministry to our kids.

4k & 5k David Hengst, Judi Miller and helpers Morgan Clarke, Megan Fontany, Karlee Hartmann, & Cora Meyer

1st & 2nd Annette Bunyea, Lorena McKerrow, Mary Mullen, Jennifer Velier

3rd & 4th Shelley Bubb, Terry Debbink, Barb Hengst

5th & 6th Dale Miller & Ron Schoenfeld

Confirmation: Anne Hernandez, Rev Hoppert, Marsha Meyer, Paul & Susan Clarke, Angie Hartmann, Peter Meyer, and Jackie Veldman



Confirmation begins another year on September 7

A few reminders.....

Class BEGINS at 6:15pm, please arrive early and be ready to begin at 6:15

Please make sure to bring a notebook, Bible, binder/workbook and something to write with to each class

Years 1&2 meet in the middle classroom

Year 3 meets in the youth room

Year 3 students **MUST** be caught up on their workbook requirements in order to begin year 3. See Rev Hoppert or Marsha if you have not yet turned in your workbook.

Permission slips for the Lakeland Confirmation Event are due on Sept 7, please bring your signed permission slip along to class.

Year 3, your permission slip for serving at the Gathering is due by Sept 14. A blank permission slip is in your mailbox.

Please keep all of our Confirmation students in your prayers as they continue their faith journeys.

Year 1: Luci Blad, Morgan Clarke, Megan Fontany,
Karlee Hartmann & Cora Meyer

Year 2: Cassie Clarke, Evan Raeder & Nicole Walber

Year 3: Ethan Fontany, Faith Gudex, Brady Pratt & Sam Veldman



September 11 9:45am
Beginning in Fellowship Hall
Refreshments will be served

