

Kidz Connection

CONNECTING KIDS WITH CHRIST

Fall Lineup

The Children's Ministry team is getting ready to swing back into another year of exciting activities for our children. There's nothing more rewarding than helping young children come to know, love, and begin growing a relationship with Jesus Christ. Proverbs 22:6 states "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it." Our children's program is designed to build relationships and a spiritual foundation that will one day, in God's timing, lead a child into a relationship with Jesus Christ! Every week, it is our goal to help children focus on growing their relationship with Jesus.

Children's Sunday school will begin on August 28 at 9:40 am. We are excited to be using a NEW curriculum - Promiseland. The topic for this fall is 5-G Challenge "Doing Life with God in the Picture". The goal is to develop kids who are growing toward full devotion to Christ, who can meet the challenges their generation faces, and be leaders for the kingdom. The 5-Gs of Grace, Growth, Group Gifts, and Good Stewardship will help guide our children toward this goal.

Kidz Club, our Wednesday evening program will begin on August 24. Wednesday evenings begin with a family dinner at 5:45 pm. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$2 for kids and a family maximum of \$15. We encourage parents to accompany their child(ren) to dinner each week. If you can't attend dinner please drop your child off at 6:15 pm. At Kidz Club, our children will get to experience the Bible story through a variety of mediums using a Workshop Rotation Model. The workshops include storytelling, art, science, cooking, and games. Themes are based on a five week study in which children will visit one workshop each week to receive the lesson.

God has amazing things in store for us this year as we reach out to the children he has entrusted to us. If your child has not been involved in Sunday School or Kidz Club in the past, now is the perfect time to start! We also have some exciting things for parents on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings.



Children Ministry Kick-Off

August 17th

Pump It Up

5:30—7:00

Cost \$7 per person (pizza included)

RSVP to phbrooks@charter.net



Worship/Communion Class

We will be offering an instructional class about worship and communion this fall on Wednesday evenings during Kidz Club. This class is targeted for second and third graders, but is open to older children who have not taken the class. For the third graders who participated in the class last year, this will be a review.

The class is designed to enrich the communion experience of our children. It will prepare children to understand the order of worship, learn about belonging to a community of faith through baptism, and understand the Biblical meaning behind communion. There is no expectation that kids who complete this class be baptized or participate in communion. The class stands alone as an opportunity to learn about these doctrines. However, children completing the class who have been baptized will take their first communion with the congregation on World Communion Sunday, October 2. We ask parents to make a commitment on having your child at Church for the following classes.

Sept 7	Study on Baptism
Sept 14	Study on Baptism/Communion
Sept 21	Study on Communion
Sept 28	Questions/Prepare Elements/Etiquette

Third Grade Bible Sunday

It is a tradition at Central for all children entering the third grade to receive a Bible as a gift from our church. The Bible presentation will be on Sunday, September 25.

This is an important rite of passage in the Christian journey of our third graders and marks a special time in their lives when they will be taught Bible skills and Biblical truths. So parents, please mark your calendar and set aside time so that you and your child can participate in this special event. We just need for you to let us know which service you plan to attend that day by noon on Friday, September 23.

We will also be presenting Bibles to older children who have been coming to Central that have not received a Bible.

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Music Ministry



We sing for many reasons. The most important one is because God commands us to sing. God created music and He wants each of His children to sing praises to Him. One of the ways we help our children learn to worship God is through music with our Children's Choir. Children's Choir is so much more than singing. It is about learning to worship through music and learning how to make music in the best way we can. Children learn to read music by learning note values, rhythms, how to keep the beat, and much more!

Our dedicated music director uses creative methods that make learning music fun for our children. Most importantly, the children learn biblical truths as they are learning about music. These truths, coupled with music, make for an unforgettable combination and will help our children become radiant worshippers of our loving God.

Our music program will combine our current children's ministry programs with age appropriate children's choirs. We have our younger choir (4 year old through 1st grade) and older choir (2nd through 5th grade). Practice is held during Sunday School and at Kidz Club on Wednesday evenings. Both choirs will sing regularly in worship service and in December the group will perform their annual Christmas musical.

Central Kidz Praize

8:40 am worship service dismiss after the offertory to attend AM Kidz Praize where they will enjoy a Bible story and craft. They gather in the classroom off the nursery wing.

11:00 am worship service dismiss after Time for Children into the following groups:

Wee Kidz Praize is for children age four through first grade. Each Sunday, children will enjoy a Bible story, craft and games until the conclusion of worship. They gather in the classroom off the nursery wing.

Kidz Praize is for second through fifth graders. They meet every Sunday except the first Sunday of each month. The first Sunday children stay in worship to take communion. The group enjoys a Bible lesson and games until the conclusion of worship. They gather in the classroom adjoining the gathering space.

Calendar of Events

August 17	Children's Ministry Kickoff 5:30-7:00 @ Pump It Up
August 21	Celebrating Central Church-Wide Kickoff 9:40 am
Sept 25	3rd Grade Bible Presentation
Oct 2	World Communion
Oct 14	Pumpkin Patch 5:30 pm @ Washington Farms
Oct 26	Fall Festival
Dec 4	Children's Christmas Musical
Dec 18	Christmas Caroling

Vacation Bible School 2012
June 11-15