

Church School Registration



2011-2012

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**Church School is making some exciting changes for 2011-2012;
take a moment to read all about it below!**



3 Year Olds – 4th Graders

Three year olds through fourth graders will be using the new Spark Curriculum! This curriculum brings Bible Stories to life in a way that is both engaging and relevant. The curriculum is classroom based, but not boring! Class time will consist of a variety of storytelling, games, crafts, science projects, etc. The Spark Curriculum follows the lectionary, which means that the stories that adults are reading and hearing about in worship will be the same stories that the kids are studying that week, making it much easier for families to share in their faith journeys. There are also additional materials to help you, as a family, continue the conversation. Family pages will be sent home each week to help guide your conversations. Spark Family (a quarterly magazine) will give you a ton of different ideas for at home projects, prayers, and devotions. Children's bulletins will also follow the same story so even the littlest ones in your family can participate.



5th & 6th Graders

Fifth and sixth graders will be using the new Re:form Curriculum! This pre-confirmation, tween curriculum is perfect for fifth and sixth graders. The students will spend each week in tackling a question relevant to their lives and their faith journey such as: Why does the Bible contradict itself at times? Why should I follow Jesus; can't I just say I believe in Him? Is it okay to be angry at God? What does God think about war? Each week the class time will open with a short, yet always comical, video clip to introduce the lesson, followed by a class time that will be so engaging that the students won't have time to get bored or even realize they are learning. Classes will consist of digging into the Bible, games, challenges, and most importantly, a safe place for the students to explore their own faith.

Spark Bibles: Spark also has two Bibles. The Spark Story Bible is award winning, and the only Children's Bible to have all the stories of the three year lectionary in it. These will be the new Bibles given out at baptism and will be used in the three year old through second grade classrooms. The Spark Bible NRSV is a kid-friendly Bible that will be given out to all third graders and used in the third to sixth grade classrooms. Because these Bibles are so well done, we want to give all parents an opportunity to purchase one. **If you would like to order the Spark Story Bible or the Spark Bible NRSV, please indicate so on the registration form (this is optional).** You can check out the Bibles at the Welcome Center or in the Link.

Wednesday Church School has a new time! Wednesday Church School is moving to coincide with Confirmation, High School Youth Group, and Adult Education opportunities. Wednesday Church School will be from **6:15-7:30 PM** (including a gathering and classroom time). Schedule for Wednesday School is tentative and may change during Lent.

Sunday Church School Calendar 2011-2012

September, 2011

- 11 Church School *Open House* for 3 year olds to Kindergarten
Pancake Breakfast, 8:30 AM -12:00 PM
- 18 First day of Church School -
Teacher Installation
- 25 Church School

October, 2011

- 2 Church School
- 9 Church School
- 16 Church School
- 23 No Church School **MEA**
- 30 Church School

November, 2011

- 6 Church School
- 13 Church School
- 20 Church School
- 27 Church School - Advent Activity Day

December, 2011

- 4 Church School
- 11 Church School
- 17 Christmas Worship Service Practice:
8 – 10 AM for 9:15 students
10 AM – 12 PM for 10:35 students
- 18 Church School
Christmas Worship Service
1:00 PM for 9:15 students
3:00 PM for 10:35 students
- 25 No Church School – Christmas Day

January, 2012

- 1 No Church School - New Year's Day
- 8 Church School
- 15 Church School
- 22 Church School
- 29 Church School

February, 2012

- 5 Church School
- 12 Church School - Souper Bowl of Caring
- 19 Church School
- 26 Church School

March, 2012

- 4 Church School
- 11 No Church School - Spring Break
- 18 Church School
- 25 Church School

April, 2012

- 1 Church School
- 8 No Church School - Easter
- 15 Church School
- 22 Church School
- 29 Church School

May, 2012

- 6 Church School - Teacher Appreciation
- 13 Church School
- 20 Church School - Last Day



Wednesday Church School Calendar 2011-2012

September, 2011

- 14 Church School Kick-Off
- 18 Teacher Installation
- 21 Church School - 1st Day of Class
- 28 Church School

October, 2011

- 5 Church School
- 12 Church School
- 19 No Church School MEA
- 26 Church School

November, 2011

- 2 Church School
- 9 Church School
- 16 Church School
- 23 No Church School - Thanksgiving
- 30 Church School - Advent Activity Day

December, 2011

- 7 Church School
- 14 School & Christmas Worship Practice
- 17 Christmas Worship Service - 5:30 PM
- 21 Church School
- 28 No Church School - Christmas Break

January, 2012

- 4 Church School
- 11 Church School
- 18 Church School
- 25 Church School

February, 2012

- 1 Church School
- 8 Church School
- 15 Church School
- 22 No Church School - Ash Wednesday
- 29 Church School - Lent

March 2012

- 7 Church School - Lent
- 14 No Church School - Spring Break
- 21 Church School - Lent
- 28 Church School - Lent

April, 2012

- 4 No Church School - Holy Week
- 11 Church School
- 18 Church School
- 25 Church School

May, 2012

- 2 Church School
- 6 Teacher Appreciation Sunday
- 9 Church School
- 16 Church School: Last Day

