# *Children's Ministry Spring 2024*

As the school year is coming to an end and Summer is bearing down upon us, life is busy! I see it in many of the families of CCC as you juggle church, school, sports, etc. I am praying for each of your families that you are able to still find time to spend without all together. the outside distractions. One goal I have for my kids this spring is to find ways for them to help serve and give back in some way to our community. Would you all join us in this goal? I have been inspired hearing from a few of the kids that volunteer to help with a local animal rescue. They are learning to volunteer alongside their parents and are finding ways they can contribute, even at a young age. Some ideas that I have seen:

1. Help a neighbor with yard work.

- 2. Bake dinner or cookies for a sick friend
- 3. Volunteer at a homeless shelter or rescue.
- 4. Write a letter and pray for one of our supported missionaries. (The kids will be finishing up their Prayer Passports in the next few weeks so they can bring them home.)

There are so many other ways and I know some of you will be very creative finding ways to serve. I cannot wait to hear back from your kids all the ways they were able to serve in our community!

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden...In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." - Matthew 5:14, 16

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# **Upcoming Events:**

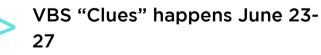


D groups meet Sundays @ 9am for 1st-6th grades and end 5/19



Outdoor service and picnic on April 21st

VBS registration coming May 1st





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## Here's a summary of what the kids are learning:

### Nursery- Kindergarten:

March 17th- April 14th: Jesus had promised that His followers would face opposition just as He had, and it didn't take long for that to happen. The church was opposed by outsiders as it also experienced conflict from within. But just as God had used the opposition of Jesus for good, He would use opposition of the church for good too.

April 21st- May 19th: As opposition to the church grew, the church grew along with it. Just as Jesus had said it would, the church began in Jerusalem, had grown into Judea, and was about to expand into Samaria and toward the ends of the earth. First, God needed to help believers understand that as the church grew, they were one church united in Jesus.

May 26th- June 9th: Paul had been one of the leaders persecuting the church, but when he met Jesus on the road to Damascus, all of that changed. Paul became a follower of Jesus and would spend the rest of his life on mission, telling others about the One he used to persecute. Jesus can truly save anyone.

#### Elementary kids:

April 14th- April 28th : How do we know God loves us? We can know that God loves us because He gave us Jesus to forgive the sins of the world.

Overview: Jesus' early encounters with people revealed that He had come to be the Savior of all people—Jew and Gentile, male and female, rich and poor. All people have been made in God's image and are loved by Him.

May 5th- May 19th: How can we be saved? We are only saved through faith in Jesus.

Overview: As Jesus began His ministry of miracles and teachings, not everyone responded in the same way. Some rejected Jesus outright. Others were amazed by Jesus but didn't understand Him. But some came to place their faith in Him and worship Him for who He is: the Son of God.



We will be investigating the stories of Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, and David for signs of Christ. Each day we will learn more about the hope, deliverance, fulfilled promises, and righteousness that can only be found in our Forever King, Jesus.

> Memory verse for the week: Hebrews 1:1-2a (ESV)

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things.