

# Children's Ministry

## Spring 2025

As Spring is in full bloom (as apparent by the pollen covering EVERYTHING), I am reflecting on all the good this discipleship year has brought to our children's ministry. We have had a sweet year of Sunday morning discipleship groups and a wild 16 weeks of Wednesday nights with these kids. Everytime your children come into our building, they are prayed over and are welcomed by volunteers ready to pour into their hearts. Even on the craziest weeks, when it seems that no one is able to serve due to a variety of factors, God ALWAYS provides exactly who we need to serve the families of CCC!

With VBS around the corner and knowing that Summer will be over and Fall will be here way faster than any of us are okay with, I want to put a challenge out to all our parents: Can you begin praying about where God is asking you to serve within CCC? While I would love to claim every single one of you to serve with me, I know that God has given us all gifts and they are to be used everywhere within our church body. 1 Peter 4:10 - "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace" How can your gift be used to glorify God?

There are so many areas that have needs, and with a church our size, the needs sometimes feel like they dwarf our people. But what I have seen each week is that God calls on people to provide the hands and feet to serve our church family. Whether it be: teaching a D-group each week, loving on babies or reading 15 books to a 3 year old, running crazy on a field during VBS, greeting new and old faces on a Sunday morning, or attentively presenting the slides for a sermon. You have gifts that can be used to "make disciples who make much of Jesus in all nations"

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## Memory Challenge

April: Colossians 3:12-14

May: Colossians 3:15-17

June: Ephesians 2:19-22

## Upcoming Events:

- D groups meet Sundays @9am through 5/18
- No D Groups: 4/20
- Outdoor service, picnic, and egg hunt on 4/13
- VBS registration is coming soon! Save the date: June 22-26, 6-8pm



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

### Nursery- Kindergarten:

April 6 - 13: Moses commissioned Joshua to be the Israelites' new leader. Joshua courageously brought the Israelites into the Promised Land, trusting that God would be with them. God aided the Israelites in their conquest by demonstrating His power and holiness amid sin. God confirmed that He alone is worthy of their trust and devotion.

April 20: Jesus came to earth to rescue sinners. Jesus died on the cross and rose again so that everyone who trusts in Him has forgiveness and life with God forever.

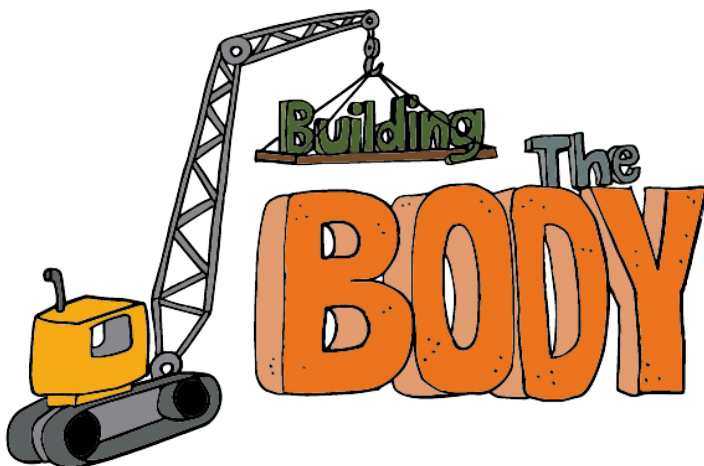
April 27 - May 18: Despite Israel's rebellion and attacks from neighboring tribes, God was gracious to raise up judges who would rescue His people from their enemies. While these judges only provided temporary help, they reminded God's people that He would one day provide a perfect Judge to rescue His people from the power of sin.

May 25 - June 15: Regardless of sin patterns and disobedience, God continued to see His people and hear their requests and desires. God's provision is seen through His gifts of a kinsman redeemer for Ruth's family, a son with a prophetic calling for Hannah, and freedom and protection for the Israelites from the Philistines. God's plan remained steadfast, despite humanity's brokenness.

### Elementary kids:

April 6 - 27: The time for Jesus' rejection was at hand. After sharing a special meal with His disciples, Jesus was betrayed by one of His own and was arrested. Even as His death approached, Jesus continued to act as a perfect Priest, loving His followers and praying to the Father on their behalf.

May 4 - 18: The darkest day the world has ever seen became the brightest day one glorious Sunday morning. After Jesus was unjustly convicted of a crime, He was crucified and His body was placed in a tomb. But on the third day, Jesus rose from the dead, defeating sin and death and rising again as the conquering King.



Gather your tools and prepare to help us learn about God's Body: The Church!

Registration coming early May.  
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