

August 10, 2020

Hi Parents!

We sincerely hope you and your children are well. This has been a crazy time for all of us and we are anxious to “get back to normal”—whatever that means. FCC started meeting in-person a couple of months ago and that has been great! With school back in session, we are now ready to restart Kids Ministry at FCC. We want to share our plans with you.... knowing that if the COVID-19 numbers shoot up drastically and schools shut down, we may have to change our plans. **Our first Sunday to have Kids Ministry open will be August 30.** We will offer kids ministry programming on Sunday morning only. As we began the process to plan our classes, we attempted to call each family with children. Based on responses, we will start out with 4 groups of children, utilizing our largest rooms to allow as much distancing as possible.

- Nursery/Toddlers
- Ages 2-5
- Kindergarten-2nd grade
- 3rd-5th grade

As our numbers, comfort level, and volunteer base grow, we hope to further divide our classes, more in line with previous years. We have changed our procedures for the downstairs area and have had those reviewed by an infection-control nurse. Please familiarize yourself with these procedures. We ask for your patience with our staff and volunteers as we work hard to provide a loving, safe atmosphere for your children.

FCC KIDS MINISTRY COVID-19 PROCEDURES

Before you come, please be assured:

- All surfaces have been properly cleaned.
- A professional mitigation company is spraying the entire building on a regular basis. Although the CDC recommends spraying within 90-day increments, FCC is spraying every 60 days.
- Cribs are clean, as is the bedding.
- Toys in the classrooms have been minimized. Toys will be sanitized after use.
- As usual, diaper changing stations are being sanitized regularly and after each use.

On Sunday, please help us keep everyone safe:

- Check temperatures at home. If there is any sign of a fever, cough, sore throat, or stomach issues, please do not bring the child to church.
- There will be one door for entrance (front left door) and one door for exit (front right door).
- There are multiple hand sanitizer stations throughout the area so please feel free to utilize these.
- Plan to bring minimum items into the classroom. No diaper bags—just send an extra diaper and a few wipes in a Ziploc, labeled with your child’s name.
- All staff and volunteers will wear a mask while in the Kid’s area.

- Only one parent allowed in the Kid's area for drop off and pick up. We ask that older siblings not enter the kids' area.
- Parents must wear a mask while in the Kid's area.
- Kids masks are optional but preferred for kids in the 3rd-5th grade group.
- Upon entering the kids' area, we will take temperatures on the parent and the child.
- There will be antiseptic wipes at the check in station. Please use one to wipe the keypad after use.
- If you use the elevator, grab a wipe from the check in station to wipe the elevator keypad. Please do not spray any of the key pads.
- We will not be providing snacks and ask that you not send food or drink in with your child.
- Every effort will be made to provide a safe distance between children.
- Volunteers will provide craft supplies for each child, so there is no sharing of supplies.
- As you leave the class, we recommend cleaning your child's hands.

Thank you for entrusting your children to us. We have missed their smiling faces and look forward to sharing Jesus with them every Sunday!

As most of you know, Eilea moved to Florida and we are in the process of looking for a new part-time (or full-time depending on immediate/future need) director. While we watch and wait for who God has in store for us, we have a team helping Abbi prepare for the months ahead. (You've probably noticed that Abbi is having a baby soon.) We are currently looking for more volunteers for Kid's Ministry, to serve on an alternating Sunday basis. If you are interested in serving on a Sunday or have time to prep crafts during the week, please let us know. You can call the office (790-6605) or email abbi@franklinchristianchurch.com or Wanda at hollowaywanda@hotmail.com.

If we can do anything for you, please feel free to reach out!

In Him,

The Kids Ministry Team