



CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

SAINT STEPHEN'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Children's Ministries Program Guide

Children will have a variety of formational opportunities this fall.

Families will receive a weekly email with details about these offerings.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Jones, jennifer@ssechurch.org.

Sunday Morning Formation

Classes meet from 10:10-11:00 a.m. from September to May.

- **Two- and Three-Year-Old Class, Room 124 in the Nursery**
Two- and three-year-olds will learn about God's love for them through Bible stories, songs, art, and play.
- **4K and Kindergarten, Room 40 in Carpenter Hall**
This class uses the Godly Play approach to explore faith. Godly Play is based on Montessori principles and uses both wonder and play to enhance a child's spiritual experience. Your children will become more fully aware of the mystery of God's presence in their lives.
- **1st-4th Grades, see Rotation Chart in Carpenter Hall Lobby for room assignment each week**
First through fourth graders will explore the Bible and their relationship with God by rotating through hands-on learning stations. Learning stations include art, Bible games, Godly Play, cooking, and theater.
- **5th & 6th Grades, Room 53 in Carpenter Hall**
Fifth and sixth graders will revisit the Bible's greatest stories, investigate major biblical themes, and discover how the Bible relates to their own lives. This class uses a Bible-centered curriculum developed especially for this age group to get to know God and each other better. Every fifth and sixth grader will receive a Bible to use on Sunday mornings to keep as their own.

Wednesday Night Formation

September to May from 5:15-6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Activities and Programs for Children, Ages Infant to Grade 6

- Nursery with childcare and activities for babies through age 4 are available during the program hour in the nursery area. The nursery is open from 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Night J.A.M. (Jesus & Me)- 4K through 4th grade meets in the Children's Choir Room (Room 143) for music, art, Bible stories and games.
- Monthly intergenerational and family activities.
- Club 56 - 5th and 6th grade meets in Room 53 Carpenter Hall.

Nursery

The mission of the nursery ministry is to provide a safe, fun, and nurturing Christian environment for the young children of parishioners and visitors while parents attend worship or other parish programs. Our goal is that the children will experience Christ through the nursery ministry.

Saint Stephen's nursery is available for children ages 6 weeks to 4 years from 8:30 a.m. through 12:30 p.m. and during the 5:00 p.m. Celtic service on Sundays, and from 5:00-7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays (September to May).

For more information about our nursery program, contact Emma Woolhouse,
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