



CHRIST COVENANT CHURCH

Children and Families Ministry

At 9:00 am, children participate in Worship Training - classes that mix stories, songs, prayer, and Bible verses in order to teach children the character of God and prepare them to grow in their understanding of how we worship in our Worship Service. Worship Training is what we call our Sunday School for children. We use this title to reflect the purpose we see behind this educational time. In Worship Training, we are intentionally seeking to teach our children about the God whom we worship as a church community (e.g. studying the Attributes of God, the Promises of God, etc.) and introduce them to some of the various ways in which we do so (e.g. they learn some of the songs we sing, the Nicene Creed, the Lord's Prayer, the 10 Commandments, etc.).

Our curriculum is from a ministry called "Great Commission Publications", and it is an excellent, God-centered tool that God has given the church to raise up children with a Christian world view. You are encouraged to learn more about it by visiting www.gcp.org

- Pre-K , Kindergarten, & 1st Grade: Great Commission - God Leads His People: God's thrilling rescue of Israel from Egypt and how the Old Testament points to the Savior
- Boys 2nd-5th Grade: Great Commission (Older Elementary) - Matthew to John, the Life, Work, and Teachings of Christ in the Gospels.
- Girls 2nd-5th Grade: Great Commission (Older Elementary) - Matthew to John, the Life, Work, and Teachings of Christ in the Gospels.
- 6th-12th Grades: Focus on the Family, True U video curriculum Vol. I: Does God Exist?

We offer Worship Training Classes during the Fall and Spring semesters and have our children worship with us during Advent-Christmas, Summer and on 5th Sundays. This way, our children receive some great instruction from the Scriptures and also have the opportunity to put into practice what they are learning for a large portion of the church year as well. Our desire is to have parents function as the primary discipler of their children and in order for this to happen, families must worship together at times throughout the year.

Our ministry to children is continuing to grow and develop as we do the same as a church family. If you have any questions, ideas, or would like to service in this area please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sunday Morning Worship Service (10:00 am)

A nursery is available during the worship service in the childcare area. Parents are welcome to have their infants with them in the sanctuary if they desire.

Toddlers (ages 2-4) participate in a class led by parents and volunteers who lead children's songs and teach an age-appropriate Bible lesson from the Jesus Storybook Bible.

Children (Kindergarten-5th grade) are encouraged to join their parents in the worship service. This is a wonderful way for children to learn to sing songs, hear and participate in church-wide prayer time, observe families in worship, and learn to participate themselves as they grow.

Desire to Serve Parents

Parents: you get one shot at raising your kids. We want to help you make it count. Part of this means that we want you to begin to worship with your family together. We give you a chance to do that at Christ Covenant Church.

We believe that the church is a family of families, and that we should plan our programs around this conviction. Practically speaking, this means that we trust parents (and seek to equip) and not merely a church staff member to be the ones who actually evangelize and disciple their own children. It means that our children worship with their families—actually sitting by them in the worship service on a regular basis on Sunday Mornings and in our Sunday Evening Gatherings. It means that we seek to be cross-generational in all that we do.

Highlighted Resource | A key ingredient to raising Godly children: Relationships

As executive director of the Fuller Youth Institute at Fuller Theological Seminary and a former youth pastor, Kara Powell has her eyes on the youth drop out trend. She is currently in the midst of a three-year College Transition Project, a study that involves over 400 youth group graduates and is focused on understanding how parents, churches, and youth ministries can set students on a trajectory of lifelong faith and service. Though research is ongoing, it is already revealing a promising pattern: youth involved in intergenerational relationships in church are showing promise for stronger faith in high school and beyond.

[Click here to read her article: Is the Era of Age Segmentation Over?](#)