

This fall we are kicking off the next semester of the super-fun and content rich Children's Academy Sunday school for kids in Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade. Once enrolled in Academy classes, children will stay in the same rooms with the same teachers all semester. Some classes are designed for younger elementary and some for older elementary. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade has its own class called High Five and 6<sup>th</sup> Graders attend the Confirmation class. While the subject areas are varied, each class will work from the same Bible story, memory verse and core value each month.

## ACADEMY CLASSES:

LAUNCH K-2: K-2<sup>ND</sup>

CRITTER CARE: K-2<sup>ND</sup>

CANDY CONFECTION: 2<sup>ND</sup>-4<sup>TH</sup>

NERF BATTLES OF THE BIBLE 2<sup>ND</sup>-4<sup>TH</sup>

UKULELE: 3<sup>RD</sup>-4<sup>TH</sup>

HIGH 5: 5<sup>TH</sup>

CONFIRMATION: 6<sup>TH</sup>

As you and your children consider all the different options, choose your class carefully. We would like children to stick with the same class for the entire semester.

## OUR SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE:

9:15-10:30 AM

All children in K-6 start the morning in the Cinema Room (Room 213) to see the day's lesson and sing. Afterwards, they will dismiss to their Academy class with their teachers. Each class will start with a morning snack. After class, teachers will lead students to Children's Choir or Mission Zone.

10:30-10:55 AM

- Singers in **K-2<sup>nd</sup>** will meet in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor choir **Room 212**
- Singers in **3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>** grade will meet in **Room 214**
- **K-6<sup>th</sup>** Children who choose not to sing go to Mission Zone to work on a mission project **Room 206**

10:55 AM

Parents sign out children from the music classrooms

11:00 AM

The **Traditional** service in our main Sanctuary accommodates a meaningful and spiritually fulfilling opportunity with your family or if you prefer a **Contemporary** service you will love our Revive service held in the Great Hall where children are welcome to sit at a back table to spread out with their Worship Kit or sit with their family. We look forward to your family joining us in the service style you prefer knowing that children are always welcome!

*At 11:00 the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Children's Wing is essentially closed. We encourage all families to worship together in one of our wonderful worship opportunities. In Children's Ministries we have devoted lots of energy and resources into making a Worship Kit, which is located at the entrances to the services.*



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# ACADEMY CLASSES

## LAUNCH K-2: K-2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE

This is a great starting place for first time Academy kids- each week they will rotate through different classes to learn that God is their forever friend, God Loves them and that we show others God's love.

## CRITTER CARE: K-2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE

Learn how to be good stewards with God's creatures and all living things as children learn how to take care and show God's love to the earth.

## CANDY CONFECTION: 2<sup>ND</sup>-4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Learn God's "sweet truth" of love and acceptance by creating, eating, and playing with a Wonka-land of confectionary delights each week!

## NERF BATTLES OF THE BIBLE: 2<sup>ND</sup>-4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Players will use a variety of games with Nerf products to learn Biblical facts and stories – this weekly action packed hour is sure to leave an impression !

## UKULELE: 3<sup>RD</sup>-4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Children will learn to build design their own ukulele from a kit and then learn to play the ukulele. Children who will enjoy this class love to be creative and musical skills to glorify God through art and music.

## HIGH FIVE: 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Our fifth graders have their own room. They explore their faith through Testament, a creative journaling and holy conversation book. They also have time to hang out with friends in a cool environment that they get to help design. This class is like a pre-youth group, loads of content and loads of fun!

## CONFIRMATION: 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Wondering why we have a confirmation ministry focused on sixth grade? There are a number of reasons to point to, but in a nutshell the family and the church are faced with a population of adolescents that inhabit a unique place within society. Teens are introduced to temptations like peer pressure, body image, sex, and drugs earlier and earlier, and our hope is to help sixth graders develop a mature and lasting faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ before they begin their teenage years. As United Methodists, we believe that this is the age to make a covenant with our older elementary kids to learn why we believe what we believe and open them to making decisions about their own discipleship journey.

# ACADEMY SIGN UP

Register online at [arlingtonmethodist.org](http://arlingtonmethodist.org) or return this form to the church office.

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Grade (2019-20 school year): \_\_\_\_\_

Child's First Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Second Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

*We will do everything we can to honor each child's first choice. However, some classes may fill up, so we are asking children to indicate a second choice.*

Will your child go to Children's Choir or Mission Zone?

Children's Choir       Mission Zone

If your child would like to volunteer in the 11:00 Sanctuary service, please check any of the following that are of interest:

- Usher/Greeter (pass out worship guide, help with the offering)
- Acolyte/Verger
- Read scripture or help lead a prayer, affirmation, or announcements
- Assist with communion
- Be in the processional
- Be Mrs. Susan's *Faith Like a Child* Helper of the Day

Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- I would like to volunteer to be an academy teacher
- I would like to be an academy assistant
- I would like to see \_\_\_\_\_ as an academy class