



Children's Events

C.R.O.S.S. KIDS WINTER/SPRING EVENTS FOR MARCH

Sunday, April 7, 14, 21, 28 from 4:30-6:30pm

Our semester of C.R.O.S.S. Kids continues this month with our focus on "I Am!" We will be looking at all of the things we are and taking them out in to the community to show how everyone can be those same things! Our topics this month will be as follows:

April 7: Younger Children take it to the Community and Older Children Game/Fun Night

April 14: Older Children take it to the Community and Younger Children Game/Fun Night

April 21: I am Unstoppable

April 28: I am Loved

We welcome you, your family and friends to our times together as we learn more about the Bible with Bible Trivia games, devotions, praise and worship and dinner each night we gather! Come ready to have fun as we learn more about Jesus and "I Am!"



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Every Sunday from 9:45-10:45am in various classrooms on the lower level



We invite you to join us for Sunday School each Sunday morning as children split up into more age specific small groups and dive deeper into our monthly verse and themes. They have loving Sunday School teachers with awesome plans ready to go for them to help each child learn more about what plans God has for each of their lives. Our Little Explorers (2 and 3 year olds) are continuing to learn from the Little Bible Heroes and will be learning about Jesus' Miracles and the Good Samaritan this month. The rest of our classes will focus on the

thought of serving and how it connects with the verse from Mark 10:45. It's a great time to gather together in a smaller group on Sunday mornings!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Sunday, April 7, 14, 21 and 28 during the 11:00am service

Children's Church will continue in April by beginning in the Sanctuary for the first little bit of the worship service. If there is a Children's Chat we will leave afterwards to go to the Children's Church room. If there is not, then there will be a specific time in which we will leave to go down together. Pick up will be in the Children's Church room by the parents after the service. During our time together we will praise God through music, have a small snack and participate in an activity focused on our verse of the month. This month we are learning about how to and how we Serve along with the verse from Mark 10:45, For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."



LAUREL RIDGE CAMP OPPORTUNITIES



The different summer camp opportunities for your child(ren) are below! There is a separate code for Pre-Junior and Junior camp this year so make sure to pay close attention to that below! Also, don't forget to get signed up for Spring Family Camp! It's a great time to gather together with your family on the mountain with other friends as well! Register at www.laurelridge.org

Laurel Ridge Camp Opportunities for 2024

Spring Family Camp-May 24-26

Pre-Junior Camp-July 26-28 for children who just finished 1st and 2nd grade-Camp Code-2024friedbergpj

Junior Camp-July 28-August 3 for children who just finished 3rd, 4th and 5th grade-Camp Code-2024friedberg

April's verse to focus on will be:

“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45



Serve, to serve, to be served, serving. Those words are simple yet very powerful! Jesus came to serve us. We are called to serve others just like He did for us. Does it have to be a big and mighty act of service? No way! It can be small acts of serving! Throughout this month, think about ways you can serve as well as think about ways you have been served. See if you can do just one more way of serving during April!

SPOTLIGHT ON THE CHILDREN OF FRIEDBERG...



March Madness from the Webb Family's Perspective



Our family went on the Weekend Away trip in March at Laurel Ridge. We are new members to Friedberg, so this was our first time. In the information Heidi sent before the trip, she said our prayer for the weekend was to grow closer to each other, to Laurel Ridge, and mostly to God. We could not summarize this trip with any sweeter words. It was indeed a trip full of laughter, Minute to Win It games, delicious food, a creative team win in



Bible trivia (in our defense, a double dessert prize was on the line), Bible study and worship, hair braiding and movie night, and the kind of love and friendships that could only be gifts from God.

Sawyer's favorite part of the trip was Saturday's hike. The weather had been foggy rain, but that afternoon, we were blessed with a window of sunshine. The kids had such a fun time getting outdoors and touring the camp. Lucy said she loved making new friends the best. She thoroughly enjoyed the bus ride and brushing her teeth at night with the other little girls in front of the big bathroom mirror.



We learned a lot that weekend about our March Madness topics of devotion to God, sin, and bearing fruit. And perhaps even more importantly, we learned what a church looks like when Jesus is at its center. It



looked a lot like putting sheets on beds for other families, pitching in to clean up meals, comforting nightmares, kids making sure everyone was included, cheering rival teams during games, and the genuine fellowship of living together for a



weekend. Before the trip, we were told it would be a good way to get to know people better. Our family couldn't be more thankful for this opportunity to know the wonderful leaders and families of the children of Friedberg better.

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“I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in truth.” 3 John 1:4