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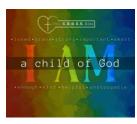
## <u>C.R.O.S.S. KIDS WINTER/SPRING EVENTS FOR MAY</u> Sunday, May 5 and 19 from 4:30-6:30pm

Our semester of C.R.O.S.S. Kids wraps up 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: **May 5**: I Am Enough

May 19: I Am A Child Of God

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 Zacchaeus and the Little Giver this month. The rest of our classes will focus

on Prayer and Philippians 4:6. It's a great time to gather together in a smaller group on Sunday mornings!

# <u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u> Sunday, May 5, 12, 19 and 26 during the 11:00am service

Children's Church will continue in May 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 prayer and the verse



from Philippians 4:6, "Do not worry about anything. But pray and ask God for everything you need. And when you pray, always give thanks."

# 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 <u>www.laurelridge.org</u>

#### 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

#### C.R.O.S.S. KIDS DAY AT THE DASH

Make your plans now to join the C.R.O.S.S. Kids family for an afternoon at the Dash game! On Sunday, June 2 we are going to take the fun to the field! Last year we had such a great time we decided to end our Winter/Spring Semester and begin our Summer months the same way! The super fun part is that after the date was scheduled with the Dash, I found out that we yet again have two former C.R.O.S.S. Kids who have been chosen to sing the National Anthem at the game-Lucy and Norian Fordham-and we would love to fill a section of seating to support them!



Tickets will be \$20 per person and will include admission to the game as well as an all-you-can-eat lunch menu. It is <u>a 2:00pm</u> game so you can still come to church that morning and then head over right after the service ends. Please let me know by May 5 if you would like to go so I can let the Dash office know how many tickets we will need! You can sign up by putting your names on the sheet at C.R.O.S.S. Kids or emailing Heidi at <u>heverhart@friedberg.church</u>.

This will be a great day together with our C.R.O.S.S. Kids family and the Dash!

#### May's verse to focus on will be:

# "Do not worry about anything. But pray and ask God for everything you need. And when



you pray, always give thanks."



# **Philippians 4:6**

Life will have troubles. Pastor Jim has been known to say. "I've got troubles. You've got troubles. All God's people have troubles." And that is so very true! But do you know the awesome thing? We truly do not have to worry about anything because we are reminded in this months verse that we just need to give it to God! We need to pray and ask God to help us out. Then thank Him for whatever that outcome is! This month, let's all try to do that-I'm pretty sure our worries and troubles won't seem as big!

# **SPOTLIGHT ON THE CHILDREN OF FRIEDBERG...**

# Taking It Out...Again!

On Sunday, April 7 our 4 year olds through 2<sup>nd</sup> graders went to Grayson Creek and had a wonderfal time visiting with their residents! While we were there, we made flowers with them, spent time talking with each of them and sang some of our favorite camp songs-some of the residents even knew the songs and sang with us! It was a joyous afternoon showing just who we are!



On Sunday, April 14 our 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders went back to Grayson Creek and worked together with the residents on beautifying their grounds. We cleaned out some of their flower beds, planted flowers and while doing that we spent time with the residents and showed off our "I Am's"! It was yet again another wonderful afternoon with everyone!



Heidi Everhart Director of Children's Ministry <u>heverhart@friedberg.church</u> "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in truth." 3 John 1:4