

## Wednesday Night

### The Jesus Challenge

Three-year-olds through Fifth Grade  
6 to 7:15 p.m. — A covenant discipleship  
group for children witnessing for Jesus  
Christ through loving God and neighbor.



Children will be  
challenged to grow as  
Christian disciples as  
they practice acts of  
worship, devotion,  
justice, and kindness.  
At 6 p.m. — Children  
can choose between  
choir (Acts of  
Worship) or Bible  
study and prayer  
(Acts of Devotion,  
Justice, and

Kindness). Choir students who participate  
in The Jesus Challenge will be escorted to  
classes already in session following choir.  
Children may choose to participate in one  
or both parts of The Jesus Challenge.

## Sunday Night

### Live B.I.G.

Three-year-olds through Fifth Grade  
5 to 7 p.m. — Our children will learn to live  
out their Belief In God in their everyday  
lives. They learn three B.I.G. Truths:

- We can think B.I.G. because God is a great BIG God.
- God loves us with a great BIG love.
- We are part of God's great BIG world.

The evening includes:

Cool food + cool music + cool message +  
cool games + cool friends



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## *How to Navigate the Waters of Children's Ministry at Gainesville First*



We have four ports of call, so  
set sail to the north side of the  
church. Look inside to see  
where your child will be sailing  
with us.



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## NOAH'S ARK NURSERY —

The Ark is docked to the north downstairs across from the playground. To enter the Ark,

just step aboard via the sliding glass door.

## LITTLE FOLKS LAGOON —

The Lagoon is the destination for our children ages three through five. For smooth sailing step aboard the Noah's Ark Nursery and sail through the double doors to the left.

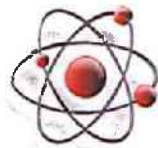


## METHODIST MARINA — This is the port

of call for kindergarten through fourth grade. The Methodist Marina is located upstairs in the North Wing through the yellow double doors.



ATOMIC CAFÉ — Our fifth graders are located on a "scientific island" all their own in the North Wing. Enter the brown double doors at the top of the stairs, and you will see the Café on your left.



# Sunday Morning

Nursery is provided for infants to five-year-olds for the 8:30 a.m. service. Following the early morning service children over two years of age participate in their own Sunday School program.



## Preschoolers

(Three through five years of age)

9:45 to 10:45 a.m. — During this first hour our little MOVERS and SHAKERS, are encouraged to move around, explore, and discover God's presence in their world by learning the timeless stories of the Bible. At



10:45 a.m. children have the option of moving on to LITTLE KIDS TIME or attending worship with parents upstairs and returning downstairs after the Children's Sermon.

10:45 a.m. to 12 noon — The second hour, LITTLE KIDS TIME, is a follow-up to the first hour. This offers the opportunity for our children to apply the Bible lesson learned in the first hour to their own life through worship, art, games, and more.

## Kindergarten through Fourth Grade

9:45 to 10:45 a.m. — They are having as much fun on Sundays as they do during Vacation Bible School since we began utilizing the Workshop

Rotation Model teaching method. The same Bible story, theme, or concept is taught for four weeks with children rotating to a different station each week. Each week they encounter the lesson in different ways at each station, giving the children the opportunity to learn in their own individual style. 10:45 a.m. to 12 noon — Children from kindergarten through second grade can be escorted to JAM (see below) or they can attend worship with their parents and return to JAM after the Children's Sermon.

## JAM (Jesus & Me)

Kindergarten through Second Grade Sundays at 10:45 a.m. Room N-128, Whales Tales Theatre in the Methodist Marina

A time of kid-friendly singing, Bible stories, and movies during the 10:55 a.m. worship services. Children may attend JAM directly following Sunday School at 10:45 a.m. or wait until after the Children's Sermon during the worship service and be escorted by our children's ministry volunteers.



## Fifth Grade



Our fifth graders are preparing for the transition into Student Ministry and Confirmation class next year. They review the entire Bible during the year, utilizing a systematic, but fun teaching method. They take Sunday "field trips" during the year for added adventure.