



## Children & Youth Calendar



September 2015

Here are important dates and times for children and youth activities at the Congregational Church of Topsfield. You may print this page and hang it on your 'fridge or mark the respective dates in your calendar.

Questions? Would you like your child(ren) to participate?

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### FAITHWORKS

Youth Group, and outreach opportunities for young people in High School.

**9/11 Attend Homecoming**

Worship and Picnic

**9/11 Regular Meeting: Special Object and "Prayer", 6:30-8 PM**

Meet in the Emerson Center Youth Lounge.

**9/19 Service: Beverly Bootstraps 5-7:30 PM (Monday)**

Please remember your permission slip!

**9/25 Regular Meeting: Care Packages for College Students**

**10:30-12:00PM,**

Meet in Fellowship Hall.

Join us for **Homecoming** on Sept.11, 9:30 AM, on the Emerson Center South Lawn and reconnect with your church family!

Watch for an email on what you can bring to the potluck! See you there!

### NURSERY

We offer **Nursery Care** for infants and toddlers up to age 3 **every Sunday** morning (except for Easter) in the Emerson Center in room 204. Feel free to bring your child before worship from 9:15 AM.

### ACOLYTES

Children in grades 3 – 6 are invited to serve as Acolytes during the Sunday School year, on Sunday mornings.

**Our Acolytes Coordinator, is working on a schedule.**

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Here is what your children are learning in Sunday school:

**Please note: Sunday School Kick Off is this year on Homecoming, September 11, 9:30 AM.**

#### PRE-K & K

**9/11 Sunday School Kick Off - Activities on the Lawn**

And a visit to the Community Garden with Amy Bruch and Irina Guenzel-Guerra

**9/18 God gathers us close – Deuteronomy 32:4, 10-13, 18, Matthew 23,37**

In these passages, God is seen as a rock, an eagle hovering over its nest, a mother, and a hen gathering her brood of chicks.

**9/25 God's promise of peace – Ezekiel 34:23-31**

Ezekiel's message to the people reassures them of God's loving care. God speaks as a shepherd. God blesses the people with peace and safety.

#### GRADES 1-6 (MULTI-AGE-CLASS)

**9/11 Sunday School Kick Off - Introduction to the Puppet Ministry for kids in Grades 4-6 interested in participating in future Puppet Shows with Carolyn Nenart and Activities on the Lawn** and a visit to the Community Garden with Amy Bruch.

**9/18 Solomon's wisdom and folly – 1 Kings 3 - 11**

Solomon loved God. God asked what he wanted. Solomon wanted understanding, which God granted. When old, however, Solomon's heart turned from God.

**9/25 Elisha and Naboth's Vineyard - 1 Kings 21**

King Ahab of Samaria wanted his neighbor Naboth's vineyard. Ahab's wife, Jezebel, convinced Ahab to frame Naboth, kill him, and take it. Elijah confronted Ahab.

### MSYG

Middle School Youth Group: **Friday, September 23**

#### **Movie Night**

We are going to the movies!

Meet at the EC parking lot at

**5:30 PM and return by 9 PM**

Bring a friend!

All are Welcome!

### GRADES 4-6

Upper Elementary Youth Group:

**September 17 or 24:**

**Low Ropes Course at Creighton**

**Pond Camp in Middleton, MA.**

Exact date to be determined.

Meet at the Emerson Center Parking Lot and don't forget to bring a permission slip.

Friends are welcome!

### SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

After the children are dismissed from the Meetinghouse, they cross the Common **with the teachers** to the Emerson Center for Sunday school classes in their individual classrooms:

**Pre K-K in Room 203**

**Grades 1-6 in Room 201**

**Children's Music:**

Music Rehearsal days for the fall to be announced soon!