

Fall activities kick off Sept. 9 at Spirit of Life

Sept. 9 will be Kickoff Sunday at Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church in Apple Valley. The day begins with an outdoor worship service at 10 a.m. featuring the church's jazz band.

Children will meet their Sunday school teachers, and all members and visitors will enjoy a cookout after the service. There will be games, a bounce house and other activities for children.

Fall activities begin Wednesday, Sept. 12, when the congregation's "Meet in the Middle" – M&M – begins at 4:30 p.m. Sunday school begins the Sunday, Sept. 16, at 11:10 a.m. following the 10 a.m. worship service.

Sunday school classes are planned for prekindergarten through 2nd grade class, 3rd through 5th grade, 6th through 8th grade, and 9th through 12th grade.

Spirit of Life's M&M after-school program offers programming for children in preschool through 5th grade. Activities will include outdoor and indoor play, singing, Bible study and crafts. Middle school-age and older youth may be helpers or do their homework at the church beginning at 4:30 p.m.

As part of M&M, at 6 p.m., children, youth, parents and other adults gather for a family-style dinner and devotions. After the devotions, the 6th through 8th grade, and the 9th through 12th grade youth groups meet, and the adult vocal choir and hand-bell choir rehearse.

The church's pastor, the Rev. Robert Smith, is beginning his seventh year at Spirit of Life. "Pastor Rob" commented, "Spirit of Life is a special group of people, and we welcome all of our neighbors to join us for any and all programs."

The church is located at 14401 Pilot Knob Road in Apple Valley. Additional information is available by calling Spirit of Life at 952.423.2212, or by visiting <http://www.spiritoflifeav.org>.