



St. Mark's Kids



Explore, Wonder, and Grow in God's Love!

Starting Sunday, August 10th at 9:15 a.m.!

Our Preschool (Age 2 to PreK 5), Younger Elementary (Kindergarten to 2nd Grade), and Older Elementary (3rd to 5th Grade) children will meet for Sunday school to explore Bible stories, engage in meaningful activities, and grow in their faith through age-appropriate lessons and hands-on learning. The preschool class will meet in Room 305, the younger elementary class will meet in Room 214, and the older elementary class will meet in Room 212.



GODLY PLAY

Preschool and Younger Elementary Sunday School

Preschool and Younger Elementary classes will use the Godly Play curriculum to explore Bible stories through imaginative and interactive storytelling. Classes will begin in Room 304 and end their time in their separate classrooms.

What is Godly Play?

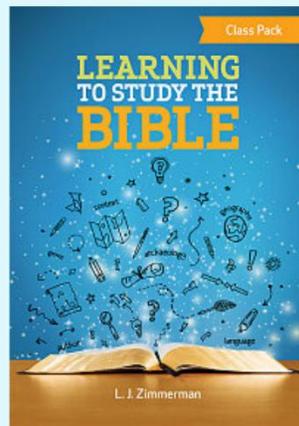
Godly Play is a Montessori-inspired approach to children's faith formation that invites them to explore Bible stories with wonder and imagination.

How It Supports Children's Spiritual Growth:

- **Engages Through Storytelling:** Uses hands-on materials to bring Bible stories to life.
- **Encourages Reflection:** Prompts children to wonder and connect personally with God's story.
- **Fosters Spiritual Growth:** Builds foundational skills for prayer, worship, and lifelong faith.
- **Creates a Safe Space:** Provides a calm, welcoming environment for creativity and community.

Godly Play nurtures children's faith by helping them see themselves as part of God's story in a meaningful and joyful way.

OLDER ELEMENTARY SUNDAY SCHOOL



Older Elementary 8-Week Study!

Starting on Sunday, August 10th, our 3rd – 5th graders will begin an 8-week study titled, *Learning to Study the Bible*. This curriculum will help students acquire and practice skills that will help them understand how to use the Bible, feel comfortable using the Bible, and build a foundation for studying the Bible.

After the completion of this curriculum, 2nd-4th graders will be presented a Bible in worship. If you would like your child to receive a Bible, please [email](#) their full name to Hannah Pratt by September 1st. Stay tuned for more information!



Frolic Nursery: Little Steps, Big Faith

Our Nursery aged children (Birth to 1 year) will explore Frolic Nursery lessons. Drawing on brain science as well as theology, Frolic was designed by early childhood experts to build faith through play in babies, toddlers, and young children from birth to age five. Frolic uses Bible lessons, music, and play to help build a firm Faith foundation.



Start faith formation at birth

Uses a curriculum-based on early childhood best practices to help your little ones to take little steps to big faith—starting at birth.



Focuses on learning at their level

Frolic's curriculum focuses on helping young children explore faith concepts in the way they know best— through play!



Equips caregivers to nurture faith

Equips leaders and parents to nurture faith in many ways—through storytelling, prayers, and music.

Upcoming Events!



Promotion Sunday is this Sunday!

Promotion Sunday is this Sunday, August 3rd from 9:15-10:15 AM! Parents and guardians are asked to sign their children in and out at the computer in the children's wing before dropping them off in the gym and picking them up in their classrooms. There will be fun, games, snacks, large group time, and small group time to get to know their peers and new Sunday school teachers!

ST. MARK'S CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

2025-2026

Parent Orientation



You're Invited to attend our 2025-2026
Children's Ministry Orientation!

Located in the Banquet Hall from 9:15-10:15 a.m.

Children's Ministry Parent Orientation is this Sunday!

All parents and guardians of children age birth to 5th grade are invited to attend our children's ministry orientation this Sunday! It will be located in the Banquet Hall from 9:15 – 10:15 A.M.



Join us this Sunday!

We will celebrate St. Mark's students, teachers, and school staff on Sunday, August 3rd during the 10:30 a.m. worship service as they prepare to begin the 2025-2026 school year.

Students - please bring your backpacks for the blessing of the backpacks!



SAFER SANCTUARIES

Nurturing Trust within Faith Communities

Help St. Mark's be a Safe Sanctuary to all people entrusted to our care!

- Keep empty rooms locked
- Sign children in and out of classrooms
- Supervise your children at all times
- Accompany your children to the Restroom

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Ways you can help:

- Keep empty rooms locked
- Sign children in and out of classrooms
- Supervise your children at all times
- Accompany your children to the Restroom
- Help us observe the two-adult rule at all times by serving as a Safe Sanctuaries helper
- If you see any behavior that seems abusive or inappropriate, inform a ministry leader

Please contact Hannah Pratt at hannah@stmarkstn.org if you have any questions. Follow our St. Mark's Children's Ministry Facebook page and Instagram @stmarkstnkids for more information!

