

# Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School Newsletter

## VBS 2018 a Huge Success



This year at Rolling River Rampage VBS we had an experience of a lifetime with God as we learned the importance of finding Adventure, Acceptance, Joy and Rest on the River. At each station our rafters experienced how each Rapid Reminder is true in our lives today. We started and closed out each day singing and dancing with Paddle Captain Sheep and Romper, our purple otter friend. That is also where we learned what our reminder and challenge was for the day. For our daily bible story, the rafters were greeted by Miss Colleen and her two raccoon friends, Big Martha and Mary. The raccoon sisters helped make the Bible Stories applicable to life today. The creativity of our rafters came out in the Craft Station where each day they had a new creation to complete from a journal, to a hanging cross, to a landscape design and even more. Even though we had a hot week, the rafters had a blast playing games outside at the recreation station. Snack time was yummy yet also a creative reminder of each day's mission. During snack they also learned more about our service project where our goal was to fill the kayak with pencils and composition notebooks for students in need in the Bellevue

School District through Congregations 4 Kids. Our rafters asked lots of questions and tested out their ideas in the science station. Throughout the week boats were built, lemons erupted, and oranges both sank and floated. It was fun to see science helping us understand our faith. A big thank you to all of our station leaders and helpers along with our rafting guides who helped our rafters arrive safely at each station. Our Rafting Ready Verse that helped us throughout our experience at VBS 2018 is from Isaiah 43:2; When you pass through the waters, I will be with you. Thank you for joining us this year at Aldersgate's Vacation Bible School.



## Look What's Happening @ Aldersgate UMC



### Mariner's Game - Sept. 9

Join us Sunday afternoon on September 9th at Safeco Field to watch our Mariner's take on the New York Yankees. Contact Jen Hoerber at [cfc@aldersgate-church.org](mailto:cfc@aldersgate-church.org) to order your tickets (\$13 each) by August 31st.

### Fall Schedule Starts

Sunday School for all ages and Music Time will start up again between our 9am and 11am worship services on September 16th. Youth Group (6th grade- 12th grade) will kick off on the 16th as well. Club 345 (3rd—5th grade) will kick off on October 8th!

### Parenting Forum

Mark your calendars for October 20th for our Parenting Forum covering topics relevant to parents of preschoolers through teens. It will run from 9:30-3:30 and lunch will be offered. Keep your eyes out for more information and registration details.



# Try Science @ home - The Bubbling Lemon



## Items Needed:

1 lemon, Baking Soda, Dish Soap and Food Coloring

Cut the lemon in half and juice one side of it and keep juice for later. Use a fork to mash up the inside of the remaining half keeping as much juice inside as you can. Add a squirt of food coloring and then a spoonful of dish soap into the mashed up lemon half. Sprinkle baking soda over the lemon and watch the bubbles begin. Keep switching between adding more baking soda and lemon juice to cause the lemon to bubble over. Why it works? The baking soda

and the acidic lemon juice causes a reaction when mixed. (Please note the dish soap and food coloring are not needed—they simply make the reaction look cooler!) VBS Tie In: When we have Jesus in our lives and know the love He has for us, it causes us to have a reaction in our hearts and Joy to bubble over in our lives!



## VBS Mission - Congregations 4 Kids

We filled the kayak to overflowing! We collected 2,424 pencils and 70 composition notebooks. We also raised \$155 to be given to Congregations 4 Kids. This organization has been distributing school supplies for the past 22 years and helped over 1300 students in the Bellevue School District last year. Way to go, Rafters! This gift will make a difference to students in our community.