



CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

This month we have a guest leader sharing the story of Mary, Joseph and their adventures in Bethlehem (starting with Luke 2:1-7). The children will receive their very own nativity set to help decorate their home for the holidays.

During the month of November, our Church School class learned about Noah, his Ark, and the meaning behind rainbows from Genesis 6:5-9:17. We tackled a sticker craft, where we had our own difficulty trying to fit all those animals onto the ark. A few recalled our lesson about the Garden of Eden, and the sneaky snake wondering why snakes would be allowed on the Ark. It was great to hear the children talk about their own experiences with rainbows as they created their sticker collage.

We also took a few minutes to put together a door hanger which includes the Lord's Prayer. It is our goal this year to memorize the prayer, and it was fun to create something each child could take home. The tricky part was that we have been learning the version which references sin, but the craft referenced another version. My trusty label maker to the rescue, and a quick sticker helped us update the wording to the version we have been working on.

If anyone big or small would like a large pack of Noah's Ark stickers, or a take home Lord's Prayer craft please reach out! We have plenty to share.

On behalf of the Christian Education Team, I'd like to wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season!

Shandy Roehrig, Church School Lead Teacher

NURSERY CARE

Nursery Care is offered during the 9:00 church service on the first and fourth Sundays of each month, when we do not have Church School or Kids Club. Upcoming Nursery dates:

December 1 and 22

January 5 and 26

ALL CHILDREN
4K-7th GRADE
INVITED!



Church School meets the **second Sunday** of each month. We start at 9:00 with an abbreviated church service, read the selected Bible story, and enjoy activities that tie into the lesson.

Kids Club meets the **third Sunday** of each month. Children join their families for the start of the 9:00 service, and, following a performance by the Handbell Choir, gather to focus on reinforcing the Scripture message, using music and projects for enrichment.

UPCOMING DATES:

December 8 - Church School

December 15 - Kids Club

January 12 - Church School

January 19 - Kids Club

CONFIRMATION CLASS HOSTING CHRISTMAS PAGEANT ON DECEMBER 22, AND SERVING IN MANY OTHER WAYS

One of the fundamental elements of our Confirmation program is helping each of the confirmands learn how they can provide service to their congregation. Our Confirmation students served as Ushers, collected the offering, and read a few of the prayers, at our service on Sunday, November 10. That same evening, they had a chance to sit down with Don Niederfrank to learn about the Sacraments and the role Sacraments play within our own faith. This month, the students will put their knowledge to the test by serving Communion during the 9:00 service on December 1. On Saturday, November 30, the kids rolled up their sleeves as volunteers for the Breakfast with Santa event, rotating between serving in the kitchen and leading the activities and games for children.

A big thank you to Margaret Niederfrank for showing our Confirmation students the proper way to ring the bell on Sunday morning and Don Niederfrank for leading their class in November. We encourage all members of the congregation to introduce yourselves to our confirmands, ask for their assistance, or show them different ways they can provide service to the church. They are eager to learn and get to know others within the congregation. We hope you will join us on Sunday December 22, at 9:00, as our class presents the Christmas Pageant.



Don Niederfrank meets with the confirmands during their November class: (l-r) Allyson Schlehle, Reese Roehrig, Don, Tyson Blum, and Audrey Franke.

Shandy Roehrig, Confirmation Program Coordinator



Church School in action in November.

