



Keeping up with Class

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Happenings

- 1/9 ~ Kid's Club Resumes!
- 2/6 ~ Kid's Club leads Prayer & Praise
- 2/10 ~ VBS Planning Committee Meeting
- 2/17 ~ VBS Decorating Committee Meeting
- 3/11 ~ Children's Ministry Team Meeting - SS Only

Family Faith Foundations

Happy Birthday!

- 1/5 ~ Alexander Toy
- 1/7 ~ Elliot Choe
- 1/12 ~ Aidan Ivory
- 1/21 ~ Josie Anders
- 1/31 ~ Asher Lindsay



The Parent Cue App -

Simple Prompts for Better Parenting.

We have approximately 936 weeks from the time a child is born until they graduate, and move on to whatever is next. Since your time with your kids is limited, consider counting down the weeks. Why? When you see how much time you have left, you tend to do more with the time you have now. Because what you do as a parent every week matters more than you realize.

Some of the most important things you do for your child don't happen in a single day. You make small deposits in their life week after week - over time. The PCA is designed to prompt you to do something each week to help move your child toward a deeper faith and a healthier future.

As we settle in to 2019, let's join together in a new endeavor to train and equip our children for success in what matters most!

***Please see the flyer in your mailbox for more details.**

POWERSOURCE

ASK JESUS:

1. To help your children realize they are wonderfully made—in God’s image.
2. To remind family members they each have a God-given purpose.
3. To reveal his plans for each person, no matter their age.

LEADER SPOTLIGHT

Brian Fowler
4th&5th Grade
Sunday School

Hey IVFF,

Did you know that we’ve been blessed with our very own Master Escape Room Engineer? Just ask any 4th or 5th grade SS student and they’ll tell you that their teacher “is AWESOME”. For the second year in a row he has constructed from scratch an Escape Room event for his class’ Happy Birthday Jesus Celebration, and it’s all based on the lessons the children have learned since September! Wow, Mr. Fowler! That IS awesome!

Besides constructing and escaping from Escape Rooms, Mr. Fowler also enjoys playing games, eating ice cream and watching the Eagles. I hear he’s a pretty good basketball coach too. When you see Brian, be sure to thank him for all the heart he pours into growing our children! **Thank you Mr. Fowler!**



Everything God Made Is Good!

After creating the world, God called it good. What an understatement! In fact, God’s work is *incredible!* Whether you look at creation up close or from far off, you must admit it’s amazing. God thought up the tiniest bug and the largest planet. And he created people—not merely to populate his world but to share him and his love with others. We’ve never needed God’s love more. Although human sinfulness marred his perfect world, God never gives up on us. Instead, he faithfully continues working through his imperfect creations to fulfill a perfect plan.

Time to Create! Make clay by squishing together for five minutes 1 cup flour, 1/3 cup salt, and 1/3 cup tap water. Create a never-seen-before animal or plant. Name the creation and compare it to something God made in Genesis 1.

Wonderfully Made Read aloud Psalm 139:14. Call out body parts, and have family members name good uses for each one. For example, “God gave me hands to help others,” or “I use my ears to listen to teachers.” Then hold hands and repeat the first part of the verse four times.

Creation Snack Mix Make a treat to represent what God created:

Day 1: Light and dark (*mini Oreo cookies*)

Day 2: Sky and ground (*Frosted Mini-Wheats cereal*)

Day 3: Trees, grass, and flowers (*stick pretzels, green and red M&M’s candies*)

Day 4: Sun, moon, and stars (*orange and yellow M&M’s candies*)

Day 5: Birds and fish (*Goldfish crackers*)

Day 6: People, plus all animals that walk on the ground (*animal cookies*)

Day 7: God rested (*marshmallow “pillows”*) and saw that everything he made was good (*enjoy!*).

Follow God’s Plans Cut a large red paper heart into 10 pieces. Put each piece in a separate envelope. Tape five envelopes in easy-to-see places and five in hard-to-see places. Tell family members to search for 10 envelopes while following your traveling instructions (hop, tiptoe, crawl, etc.). Lead the group to all the envelopes, then assemble the pieces. Ask: “How does God show us his love?” Read aloud Jeremiah 29:11. Say: “God loves us and has good plans for us. If you hadn’t followed my instructions, you wouldn’t have found all these pieces. Let’s follow God so we don’t miss the great things he has planned for us!”

A Perfect Plan Display a globe. Say: “We can see only a small part of the world, but God always sees his entire creation—and has a plan for every creature.” Ask what jobs God gave cows, dogs, and mosquitoes. Say: “Although they’re pesky to us, mosquitoes even have a place in God’s world, as food for bats and birds.” Read aloud Psalm 89:11. Say: “This Bible verse reminds us that God has a plan for everything he made—even mosquitoes!” Put your hands on the globe and pray, thanking God for the whole world.

“For I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord. “They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.”
—Jeremiah 29:11