

Children's Ministry: Elementary 2011-2012

As we move into a new year, we're excited about what God is doing at Prince of Peace and in Children's Ministry! You've heard about the Family Room...our new space for children, youth, and families to gather for both weekly ministry and special events. Children's ministry is thrilled to be able to use that space on both Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights! In addition, we researched and have selected a new curriculum to be used for grades 1-5...a curriculum that we feel will not only help our kids grow as disciples, but will also equip families to grow in faith together! This curriculum, 252 Basics, allows us to gather together each week around the same Bible story and theme [visit www.252basics.org to learn more!]. As a result, we're excited to be able to incorporate these elements into W.o.W.: a large group family worship and teaching time followed by a relevant hands-on small group experience. Our Wednesday nights will now mirror what we've been doing on Sunday mornings for the past few years in that we'll start together in large group and then kids will move into their small group experience as parents grow together in parent equipping to further explore the theme for the week and how to apply it to their family's life together.

What does this mean for your family?

*WoW, Grades 1-5 Small Groups, and Parent Equipping are all on the same theme, directly related to one another, putting us all on the same page and further strengthening family conversations and faith development at home!

*WoW, Grades 1-5 Small Groups, and Parent Equipping are all under the same roof in the Christian Life Center, limiting the amount of running between the two buildings.

*There will still be a WoW family worship experience...we'll just do it twice on Wednesday nights for both Small Group sessions

*WoW will be immediately followed by a relevant, hands-on Small Group experience for kids in Grades 1-5 and Parent Equipping

*So...the times on Wednesday nights are 5:00-5:50 and 6:00-6:50. If you signed up for the first small group session [small group first from 5:00-6:15 followed by WoW from 5:45-6:15]...you will attend WoW Large Group Family Worship at 5:00, transition to Small Group/Parent Equipping, and end at 5:50. If you signed up for the second small group session [with WoW being from 5:45-6:15 and small group after from 6:20-7]...you will start in WoW Large Group Family Worship at 6:00, transition to Small Group/Parent Equipping, and end at 6:50.

*Pizza will be available for purchase from 4:30-7:00 in the Atrium, just outside the Family Room.

*POP Kids [K-2] Choir will meet from 5:00-5:50 in the Sanctuary Choir Loft. POP Praise [3-5] Choir will meet from 6:00-6:50 in the Sanctuary Choir Loft.

Here's the schedule...

Sunday Session...9:45-10:45 a.m.

9:45 Preschool/Kindergarteners gather in Fellowship Hall for Large Group Worship and Teaching
 Grades 1-5 gather in the Family Room for Large Group Worship and Teaching

10:05 Small Groups

10:45 End

Wednesday Session 1...5:00-5:50 p.m.

5:00 Preschool/Kindergarteners gather in Fellowship Hall for Large Group Worship and Teaching
 Families gather in the Family Room for WoW Large Group Family Worship and Teaching
 POP Kids Choir for K-2 in Sanctuary

5:20 Small Groups
 Parent Equipping in Chapel

5:50 End

Wednesday Session 2...6:00-6:50 p.m.

6:00 Preschool/Kindergarteners gather in Fellowship Hall for Large Group Worship and Teaching
 Families gather in the Family Room for WoW Large Group Family Worship and Teaching
 POP Praise Choir for 3-5 in Sanctuary

6:20 Small Groups
 Parent Equipping in Chapel

6:50 End