

Faith Milestones: Connecting Church and Home in Faith

Attention all children and their parents. Your Christian Education committee will be starting a new program just for you this winter. As a parent, it can often be difficult to talk to your children about faith at home. In order to help our families grow in their faith together, we have developed classes around “faith milestones.” Organized by grade group, Pastor Eliza will hold classes for children and their parents in the winter of every year. 9 important “Faith Milestones” will be on a 3-year rotation. As our children grow-up they will rotate through these classes and learn a new faith milestone every year.

Topics Rotation:

- For Toddlers-Kindergarten: Family prayer (Year A); Music (B); The Lord’s Prayer (C).
- For 1st-3rd Graders: The Bible: Exploration (Year A); The Bible: At Home (B); Baptism (C).
- For 4th-7th Graders: Communion (Year A); Stewardship and Service (B); Worship (C).

Each Meeting Will:

- Allow children and parents to learn together
- Include a take-home activity
- Be connected to the life of the congregation

Faith Milestone Classes in 2015

- **Time:** After church on Sunday (11:30am)
- **Length:** 1 hour for each meeting.
- **Place:** Youth Room
- **Lunch:** Provided
- **Childcare:** Provided (for children in age group other than scheduled class)

Dates and Lessons for 2015

January 25: Toddler – Kindergarten: Family Prayer:

- In Class: Learn different ways to pray together.
- At Home: Families commit to praying together every day for 3 weeks.
- In Church: Class says a prayer during worship.

February 22: 1st -3rd Grades: The Bible: Exploring God’s Word

- In Class: How to use and read my Bible: Books of Bible, and favorite passages.
- At Home: Families will share favorite Bible stories together
- In Church: 3rd Graders receive Bibles; Class reads a passage together during worship.

March 29: 4th – 7th Grades: Communion

- In Class: Families participate in a mock-communion service, learning it’s true meaning.
- At Home: Parents and children continue Communion workbook at home.
- In Church: Class stays in church and is first to take communion during service.