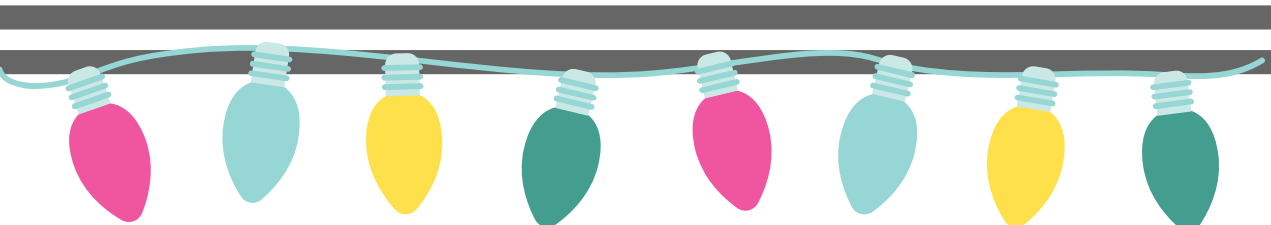




December Newsletter

Our mission is to help children come to **KNOW** Jesus Christ, **GROW** to be like Him, and **GO** serve Him.



Children's Church at Home & Wednesday Night lessons are being added to our church website each week and can be shared with everyone.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

3yo ~ 5th grade meets in the KFC Room, Door will open at 10:15 am for check in. Church will start at 10:30 am until further notice.

KFC Volunteer Schedule

COKESBURY KIDS: Gospels

Week > 3yo-2nd grade/3rd-5th grade

- 1st Sunday > Cheri & Emily/Canceled
- 2nd Sunday > Courtney, Open/Canceled
- 3rd Sunday > A Special Day/Canceled
- 4th Sunday > Courtney, Open/Canceled

News & Upcoming Events



Merry Christmas!

Most of us would agree that the Christmas season can be quite chaotic. It is easy to get caught up in the hustle and bustle and lose sight of why we celebrate. That is why it is important for you to be intentional in pointing your kids to Jesus during this Christmas season. Dedicate time to worship God as a family and explore the meaning of Christmas. There are many helpful resources for drawing your family's attention to Jesus during Christmas, but no resource is as valuable as God's Word. Consider using this short devotion to lead your family in a time of worship.

Open your Bible to Luke 2. Read Luke 2:1-20 aloud or designate a child to read aloud. Consider letting children take turns reading the Bible story.

- Ask: "Why do we celebrate Christmas?" Explain that we celebrate Christmas to honor the birth of Jesus.
- Ask: "What makes Jesus' birth different from any other baby's birth?" Remind family members that the Son of God was in heaven with God but came to earth as a human baby. Pick up a wrapped Christmas gift. Challenge family members to think of what it would be like to try and put the entire world in a gift box. Explain that Jesus is the mighty, all-powerful God who created everything but He came to earth as the most tiny and helpless of all human forms.
- Ask the big picture question: "Why was Jesus born?" Say the answer together as a family, "Jesus was born to rescue us (from sin)." Explain that we need a Savior. As sinners, we deserve to spend forever apart from God because of our sin. Jesus kept all of God's laws perfectly while He was on earth. Jesus did not deserve to die, but He took God's punishment we deserved and died on the cross in our place.
- Ask: "What makes Jesus' birth good news?" Explain that because Jesus came to earth, we can be saved from sin. Jesus rose from the dead, and one day, He is coming back to make everything new and right.

Lead your family in a time of prayer.

A Christmas Devotion by Karen Jones

Sunday School and Wednesday Nights

CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



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