Welcome Back!!

We are excited to let you know that we will be resuming Sunday school classes in the first week of June. Kids also will be moving up to their new classes with their new teachers. As a reminder, children who are graduating up to the 4-year-old class should attend church service in the sanctuary. Doodle bags are available in the hallways for your children to use during church service and should be dropped off after service in one of the designated drop boxes to be sanitized before their next use.

When we return, Sunday school will look a little different. We are implementing the following new practices to help keep our kids safe during this time:

- <u>Drop-off to class</u>: The stairways to the second floor will be one-way. Please have your child use the west staircase to go up to the second-floor classrooms. The east staircase will be "down" staircase.
- <u>Pick-up after class</u>: Parents will not be allowed to go to the second floor for pick-up after class is over to avoid congestion in the hallways. When you are ready to pick up your child, please send a text to your child's teacher and wait in the sanctuary for your child to be sent down to you. A teacher's number for each class is included at the bottom of this letter.
- <u>Screening</u>. Your child will be screened for illness at drop off. You will be asked to take your child home if they have a fever or exhibit other symptoms.
- Social Distancing. Teachers will be promoting social distancing to students. Although teachers will do their best to help students remember to social distance, we cannot guarantee all students will strictly follow or even understand these instructions (this is especially true for our younger kids). Before bringing your child to class, please talk to your child about the importance of social distancing and good hygiene (trying not to put things in their mouth, touch each other, drink after one another, share snacks, etc.). We understand some parents may still be uncomfortable with their child potentially being in close proximity to other children. If you would rather not take the risk of this closer contact, we will be happy to have them re-join nursery or class once you are more comfortable with the situation.
- We will be cleaning classrooms intensely to try to prevent spread of infection.
- The water fountains will be closed.
- Crafts and supplies will either be disposable or cleaned thoroughly.
- Nursery/preschool area workers will wear masks. Gloves will be worn for all diaper changes.

We also will need your help in trying to keep our Sunday school classes a healthy place to learn about God. We ask that you follow the guidelines below:

- If your child has or recently has had respiratory symptoms or a fever, please keep him/her home until the later of 72 hours after being fever-free or ten days from the start of the symptoms (without use of fever reducing medications).
- If you have had contact with a person known to have COVID-19, have been exposed or suspect you have been exposed to COVID-19, or if you have traveled to an area with a high number of cases reported, please do not bring your child to nursery or Sunday school until you have satisfied the CDC's most current quarantine guidelines (generally 2 weeks).

Please be patient as we resume classes. There will be a learning and adjustment curve for everyone. We look forward to seeing your children in class and getting back to studying the Word with them. If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to call.

In Christ,

The Children's Sunday School Team

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