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Westminster Kids

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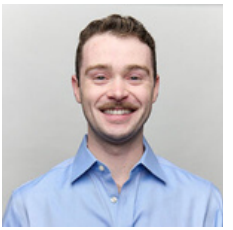
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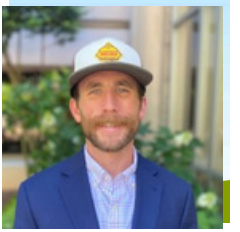
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WPC KIDS ON SUNDAYS

NURSERY- INFANTS THROUGH K4

The nursery at Westminster encourages the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of our youngest congregants. Each Sunday, nursery care for infants and children through K4 is available from 8:30-12:30. Nurseries are staffed with professional caregivers, assisted by parent volunteers. All those who work with children are required to have a background check and complete Child Protection Training. Parents can check in at the station in the hallway. All you need to bring is a diaper bag with essentials for your child.

Crib	M103
Toddler	M105
3K	M109
4K	101

SUNDAY SCHOOL- K5 THROUGH 5TH GRADE

Sunday School for Kindergarten through 5th grade meets in the 100 hall during the program year from 10:00-10:50. Parent volunteers lead classes using Shine Curriculum which explores the Bible and nurtures faith development through inquiry, discussion, games, crafts, and service learning projects.

K5-1st Grade meet in Room 109
2nd-3rd Grade meet in Room 110
4th-5th Grade meet in Room 112

Volunteers are available in the 100 hallway to guide you to your child's classroom.

WPC ON SUNDAYS

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church is an age-appropriate worship education offering for children in Kindergarten through First Grade. Each Sunday during 11:15a worship, children join their families in the Sanctuary for "big Church." Following the Prayer of Confession and Gloria Patri, children are invited to join Children's Church, where worship is led by a pastor and parent volunteers. During Children's Church, children will engage in worship through songs, Bible stories, crafts and games. Parent volunteers supervise play in centers. Following worship, parents can pick up their children in the Children's Church Room (near the Library).

Parent volunteers can sign up on the website and are required to complete a background check and Child Protection Training.

FLEXIBLE SPACES FOR FAMILIES

While your family is engaged in the life of Westminster, we have a number of spaces to support your needs.

The Atrium outside the Sanctuary is for overflow seating for worship.

The Family Lounge on the 200 hall provides a livestream of the service, comfortable seating, pack-n-play, fridge, and changing station.

Worship bags are provided for children to engage in worship while having a sensory focus tool to explore. These bags are prepared by volunteers and contain reusable items. Please return them to the baskets each Sunday.

DURING THE YEAR

WWS CHAPEL

During the school year, Westminster Weekday School students meet for Chapel in the Sanctuary every other week. One of the pastors leads them in a time of worship including music, Bible stories, and prayer. Parents receive a newsletter about what children learned in chapel. Sample topics include creation, Abraham and Sarah, the Exodus, Jesus calls the disciples and more!

CHOIR

Choirs for children in 1st-5th grade meet on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:15. Parents can sign up on the church website or by emailing Marlon Hurst, Lynne Robinson or Hunter Smith. The Junior Choristers are directed by Lynne Robinson and Senior Choristers are directed by Hunter Smith.

Cherub choir is for children K4 and K5, providing opportunities for them to experience music and new sounds. Cherubs meet on Wednesdays in Room 207 from 3:30-4:00p beginning in October.

First Steps in music is a class for families to enjoy music with their child incldluing simple songs, games, and prayers for 2- and 3- year olds. Classes are on Sunday afternoons.

DURING THE YEAR

IT'S ELEMENTARY

It's Elementary is an after school faith formation program for children in 1st-5th grade. Children come from almost 10 different elementary schools in the area on Wednesdays to encounter God and develop abiding friendships with one another and volunteers. It's Elementary is almost like a mini-Bible school encouraging children to grow in faith through exploring Bible stories, recreation, crafts and games, service learning projects and worship. Leaders are volunteers from the congregation and the Associate Pastor for Children.

It's Elementary meets on Wednesdays from 2:30-4:30. Children arrive from 2:30-3:00 and programs begin at 3:00. There is also a later start group for children with varied schedules. Email Lauren Slingerland for more information.

BASKETBALL

Athletics are a valuable way for children to encounter God through recreation and connect with the community of faith. Church basketball is open to children and youth ages K5-12th grade. The church league is active from the beginning of November until the first of February. Practices vary during the week and games are held on Saturday mornings and Monday evenings. You must be a member to coach a WPC Team.

Registration is open in September on the church website.

SUMMER AT WPC

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

Vacation Bible School is usually held the first full week of June. Children in K5-5th grade are invited to participate and youth are invited to volunteer as helpers. Volunteers from the congregation are the foundation of Bible School and there is a role for everyone! Childcare is provided for children of volunteers during the week.

The theme of Bible School is usually announced in the winter and registration opens for members in the spring. Members are given priority for registration and space is limited. Vacation Bible School runs Monday-Friday with a fun day on Friday including bounce houses and special treats. Each day is filled with worship, stories, crafts, recreation, and service learning projects to connect with our community.

BINGO NIGHT!

At the end of July, we celebrate the summer with a special BINGO night and hot dog supper. This event has come to be a joyful intergenerational event for the congregation and is especially great for families and children. We look forward to seeing you there!

COMMUNICATION

WHERE DO I FIND INFO?

There are many ways to stay connected to the events happening in the life of the church. You can always email staff members for more information or with any questions, concerns, or prayer requests.

- **Harbinger- the weekly bulletin contains announcements and upcoming events**
- **E-News- Thursday email newsletter from WPC that includes church news and links to sign ups for events**
- **WPC Kids News- monthly email newsletter with specific news for WPC Kids**
- **Social media- Instagram @wpc_kids and @wpcgreenville for church announcements**
- **Church website- the church website contains an up-to-date calendar and links to registrations, sign ups, and much more!**

WITNESS AND SERVICE

CONNECTING WITH OUR NEIGHBORS

WPC Kids engage in age-appropriate witness and service projects throughout the year. Here are some examples of the types of projects offered. Families can also reach out to the Associate Pastor for Outreach and Congregation Life or Associate Pastor for Children for more ideas.

- **Food Drive for United Ministries**
- **Packing school supplies for School Tools**
- **Hygiene kits for Place of Hope**
- **Meal packing for Triune Mercy Center**
- **RISE Against Hunger churchwide event**
- **WPC Day of Service, including 4th grade milestone**
- **Valentine's for Meals on Wheels and Terra Bella**
- **Placemats and cards for Gateway**
- **Trick or treat with Terra Bella**

IMPORTANT MILESTONES IN THE CHURCH

Age	Milestone	Date
Kindergarten	Receive a new Bible and start attending Children's Church	September 13, 2026
1st Grade	Start attending It's Elementary on Wednesdays	September 2, 2026
2nd Grade	Worship Workshop	March 7, 2027
3rd Grade	Bible Workshop and receive new Bible	September 20, 2026
4th Grade	Witness and Service	WPC Day of Service August 29, 2026 Winter Retreat January 17-18, 2027
5th Grade	6th Grade Day! Transition to WPCYG	August 9, 2026

2026-2027 CALENDAR

August

9 Milestone- 6th grade day
Blessing of the backpacks
Volunteer training
29 WPC Day of Service

September

2 It's Elementary starts @ 2:30p
13 Kick off breakfast
Milestone- K Bible bags
16 Child Protection Training, 12p
20 Sunday School Starts
Milestone- 3rd Grade Bibles

October

5 Choristers Sing!
28 Trick or Treat at Terra Bella

November

9 Choristers sing!
15 Child Protection Training at 10a
29 Advent Wreath workshop at 10a

December

6 Child Protection Training 10a
Cherub Choir Christmas 4p
13 Choristers Musical
24 Christmas Eve Services 4p, 6p

Janruary

3 Sunday School returns
6 It's Elementary returns
17-18 Winter Retreat (4th and 5th grade)

2026-2027 CALENDAR

Feburary

7 Choristers sing!
Pancake lunch
10 Ash Wednesday

March

7 Worship Workshop 10a
14 Choristers Sing!
21 One Sunday School Class
28 Easter

April

5 Easter!
28 It's Elementary Carnival

May

2 Music Sunday
9 Confirmation
16 Birthday luncheon

June

7-11 Vacation Bible School

July

28 BINGO and hotdog supper

RESOURCES

LIBRARY

The WPC library is open during the week and on Sundays. Members volunteer as librarians and curate resources for children and adults to be highlighted in the Sanctuary Atrium. You can also peruse the books to find a wide range of popular titles, thought-provoking resources, and even recordings of Sunday School classes you might have missed!

Children can explore topics of interest and follow their curiosity about faith and life. Our library contains some of the most current and diverse literature for young people. Come and explore!

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