

- Hospitality
  - Provide snacks for children
  - Serve snacks to classrooms
- Music
  - Lead a group of children in worship
  - Sing with children
  - Play an instrument for children
- Other gifts for the children
  - Plan special activities
  - Photograph children during activities
  - Set up technology (CD/DVD players)
  - Organize children to participate in dramas
  - Paint scenery
  - Create child-friendly classrooms
  - Research local mission opportunities that involve children
  - Substitute for teachers
  - "Float" to classrooms to see if anyone needs an extra hand
  - Share a special gift or talent

Please share any visions you have for Children's Ministries at St. Mark's. How can Children's Ministries best support your family?

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## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

THERE ARE MANY WAYS IN WHICH YOU CAN USE YOUR GIFTS TO SERVE THE CHILDREN OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH. PLEASE PRAY THAT GOD WILL CALL YOU TO SERVE HIM.

### CHILDREN'S SHEPHERD: MAIN RESPONSIBILITY:

- ☀️ TO ASSIST TEACHERS WITH CHILDREN ON SUNDAY MORNING BY PROVIDING SUPPORT TO TEACHERS
- ☀️ TO HELP CREATE A FRIENDLY AND SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR CHILDREN

### CHILDREN'S TEACHER: MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES:

- ☀️ TO PROVIDE SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE TO OUR CHILDREN
- ☀️ TO TEACH AND MODEL CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES
- ☀️ TO ASSIST CHILDREN IN GOING DEEPER INTO GOD'S WORD
- ☀️ TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH CHILDREN
- ☀️ TO ENGAGE CHILDREN IN LEARNING THROUGH VARIOUS WAYS.

### CHILDREN'S LEAD TEAM: PLANS AND

COORDINATES ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN, DEVELOPS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY POLICIES AND VISION.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY AT ST. MARK'S INVOLVES EXPERIENCES OF JOY; FILLED WITH WORSHIP, SERVING OTHERS IN LOVE, GROWING TOGETHER IN FAITH, AND SHARING OUR STORY WITH OTHERS. OUR VISION IS TO DEVELOP AND BECOME LEADERS FOR GOD IN ALL THAT WE DO, IN ALL THAT WE SAY, AND WHEREVER WE GO!

## COME JOIN US!

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME INVOLVED, PLEASE CUT OFF THE ATTACHED "CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEER SURVEY" SECTION AND TAKE IT TO THE CHILDREN'S WELCOME TABLE OR MAIL TO THE CHURCH OFFICE.

CHILDREN'S  
MINISTRY

ST. MARK'S  
UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH

JESUS FROM MARK 10:14

"LET THE CHILDREN  
COME TO ME. DON'T  
STOP THEM! FOR  
THE KINGDOM OF  
GOD BELONGS TO  
THOSE WHO ARE  
LIKE THESE  
CHILDREN."



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEER SURVEY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The best way to reach me is by:  
 (Circle one) Email Phone

Please circle which age group(s) you prefer:  
 Infant Toddlers Preschoolers  
 Grades K-1<sup>st</sup> Grades 2-3 Grades 4-5

Please circle which service time during which  
 you would prefer to volunteer in Children's  
 Ministry: 9:15 10:45 Either

Please check which types of roles you  
 currently prefer to serve:

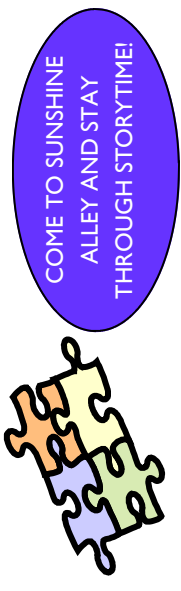
- Prayer Support**
  - Receive a schedule of volunteers
  - & pray for those serving each week
  - Pray for the children who attend
  - Sunday mornings
- Administrative**
  - check children in and out Sunday mornings
  - Copy children's bulletins
  - Develop newsletter/bulletin
- Teaching**
  - Storytelling for a large group of children of mixed ages
  - Teaching small group lessons
  - Leading a craft activity
  - Leading a game
- Shepherding**
  - Assist a teacher as needed
  - Talk with children individually or in small groups to develop relationships

## SUNSHINE ALLEY WORSHIP



9:15 SERVICE

AGES 3 THROUGH 5TH GRADE: A LARGE GROUP WORSHIP TIME INCLUDES MUSIC, MOVEMENT, AND PRAYER. CHILDREN ALSO EXPERIENCE BIBLE STORIES PRESENTED THROUGH STORYTELLING AND/OR DRAMA. SMALL GROUP TIME PROVIDES ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSSIONS THAT HELP CHILDREN FURTHER UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE LESSON AND APPLY IT TO THEIR LIVES.

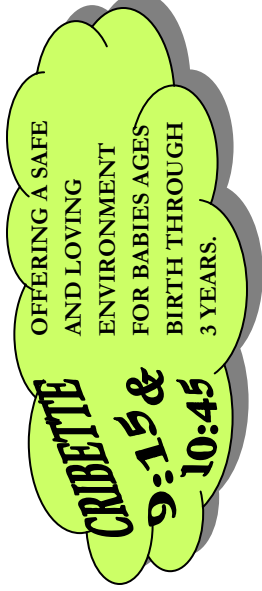


## SUNSHINE ALLEY STORYTIME

10:45 SERVICE

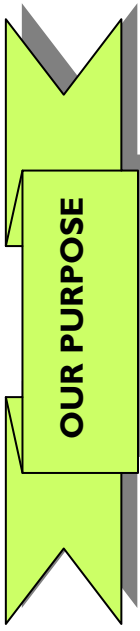
AGES 3 THROUGH 5TH GRADE: CHILDREN MEET WITH TEACHERS IN CLASSROOMS BY AGE LEVEL TO ENGAGE IN HANDS-ON LEARNING EXPERIENCES AND BIBLE ACTIVITIES.

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH IS RESERVED FOR FAMILY WORSHIP WITH CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5TH IN THE SANCTUARY. THERE IS NO SUNSHINE ALLEY OR STORYTIME. FAMILIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO COME WORSHIP TOGETHER!



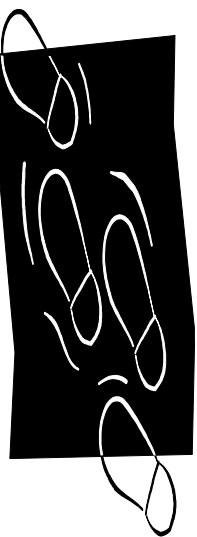
## WE VALUE...

- THE POWER OF PRAYER.
- THE TRUTH OF OUR LIVES FOUND IN GOD'S WORD.
- RELATIONSHIPS ABOVE ALL ELSE.
- THE PROMISE THAT WE BELONG TO CHRIST, AND IN HIM, WE ARE MADE NEW.



ST. MARK'S CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IS UNITED IN OUR LOVE FOR JESUS CHRIST AND ONE ANOTHER. WE WANT TO:  
 BECOME A SIGNIFICANT AND RELEVANT INFLUENCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN THAT WE MEET AND CARE FOR

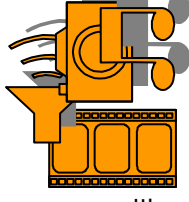
- GIVE SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE FAMILIES OF THOSE CHILDREN
- DEVELOP A PARTNERSHIP WITH FAMILIES THAT WILL FOSTER THE SPIRITUAL GROWTH OF CHILDREN



## ADDITIONAL MINISTRIES

### CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

**CHERUB CHOIR:** AGES 4 THROUGH 2ND GRADE. PRACTICES THURSDAYS AT 6:30-7PM.  
**CELESTIAL CHOIR:** GRADES 3RD-5TH PRACTICES SUNDAYS 10:20-10:45AM.



### YOUTH

AGES 6TH GRADE THROUGH 12TH GRADE. OFFERING A VARIETY OF WAYS TO SOCIALIZE AND LEARN ABOUT APPLYING GOD'S TRUTH TO THEIR LIVES! LOOK IN THE BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MEETING TIMES AND EVENTS!

### CHILDREN'S OUTREACH

### SHINING STAR NURSERY

**SCHOOL** PROVIDES DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE ACTIVITIES FOR PRESCHOOL CHILDREN IN A CHRISTIAN ENVIRONMENT FROM SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY. MORNING AND AFTERNOON CLASSES ARE AVAILABLE.

### SHEPHERD'S FLOCK

### BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

**CHILD CARE** PROVIDES 1/2 DAY CARE FOR PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN CHILDREN AND SERVES FAMILIES WITH SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL FROM 6AM TO 6PM. IN ADDITION, THE PROGRAM IS OPEN FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAYS, SNOW DAYS, AND HAS A VERY POPULAR SUMMER PROGRAM.

