

Children & Family Ministry

Fall 2020 Catalog

Kenilworth Union Church



Choose your path...



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Children and Family Ministry

September 20—November 22

Opportunities to Journey in Faith

This fall offers multiple pathways for learning and growing at Kenilworth Union!

F.R.O.G. (Forever relying on God) has long been the motto of both A Joyful Noise Preschool and Children and Family Ministry. Just as the frog is able to thrive on both water and on land, children's ministry in the time of COVID-19 must be amphibious—able to thrive both online and in person as we are able.

In the following pages, you will find a wide array of faith formation opportunities and formats: online only, DIY (asynchronous), and hybrid in-person and online. Our Fall schedule was shaped by the feedback and information we received throughout the summer. Key to linking church and home is our new online platform, **CONNECT**—a one stop-shop for classes, community, and meaningful content.

The **purpose** of Children and Family Ministry is to help families develop authentic relationships with God and others, engage with church rituals and traditions, make faith relevant to daily life, and find Christ's comfort and **HOPE**—even in the midst of a pandemic.

This fall will look different from previous years, but our priorities remain the same: safety, community, and growing in faith. The bullet points below outline the key changes to Sunday morning ministry with children and families:

1. Families will participate in worship and/or Sunday Family Faith Time **together**. For safety reasons, there is no nursery or drop-off Sunday school.
2. There will be 4 pathways (classes) for families to choose from including hybrid, online, and in-person options. See the Fall Catalog for a full description of each pathway.
3. Registration is required (forms below), with a minimum of 5 families participating for the class to be held.
4. Family Faith Time kits (one per family) can be purchased in the registration form and are highly recommended so that all participants have access to the same materials we will use for the classes. Please contact [Katie Lancaster](#) if you need financial assistance.
5. Please review the "What to Expect" guide to in-person gatherings which details our COVID-19 safety procedures.

If you would like to have a conversation about which options best meet your family's desire to grow in faith this fall, please contact me, [Greta Connor](#), or [Katie Lancaster](#). We would love to talk!

Grace and peace,

[Christine Hides](#)

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families have many options this fall!

Worship Options

8:30 a.m. Outdoor
9:30 a.m. Online
10:30 a.m. Sanctuary

Sunday Family Faith Time Options

9 a.m. In-Person
11 a.m. Hybrid Online/In-person
Anytime, Asynchronous videos, and activities

Please use the legend to guide your faith formation choices:

Format:

How this course will meet.



In-person



Online & Home
Activities
Zoom + Connect App



DIY
at your own pace
Connect App

Adult participation:

The amount of assistance your child will need to complete the activities.



Eyes On:
parent monitors
where their child is
and what they are
doing.



Hands On:
occasional parent help
may be needed with
conversation, supplies,
projects, etc.



Family Activity:
at least one parent
and child.

Suggested Ages:

The content, pace, and skill level are geared for specific ages but we rely on parents to choose what is best for their child. Parents, grandparents, and caregivers are welcome to participate with their child.

Sundays at 9 a.m. In-Person Options



9 a.m. Family Chapel with Godly Play

<i>Description</i>	<i>Date & Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Suggested Ages</i>	<i>Adult Participation</i>
This weekly, 30-minute chapel for families with children will include engaging storytelling, interactive response, and closing prayer. We will journey through the Bible sequentially over the course of the year. Reservations are required.	9 a.m. Weekly Sundays September 20– November 22	Manse Backyard or Basement Classrooms	Families with children PreK– 2nd	Families Together (at least one parent and child)









9 a.m. This is Our Prayer (Walk)

Those who register will be emailed the location to meet weekly for a 30 minute walk. A brief prayer and prompt will begin promptly at 9 a.m. Families may then choose to walk for as long as they like. Please maintain local social distancing guidelines. Dress for the weather—walks will be held unless there is lightning.	9 a.m. Weekly Sundays September 20– November 22	Off-site, local	Families with children of all ages	Families Together (at least one parent and child)
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Sundays at 11 a.m. Hybrid Options

11 a.m. Third Grade Bible Milestone: Writing Scripture on Our Hearts

Online only Option: Third graders will learn the 10 Commandments, Psalm 23, The Beatitudes, Lord's Prayer, and Greatest Commandment.	11 a.m. Weekly + Practice at home	Online ZOOM  	3rd grade	 Hands On help with practice at home
Hybrid In-person/Online Option: Third graders will learn the 10 Commandments, Psalm 23, The Beatitudes, Lord's Prayer, and Greatest Commandment.	11 a.m. Weekly + Practice at home	In-person 2x per month & Online 2x per month  	3rd grade	 One parent will attend in person class + help with practice at home



Digging Deeper: Learning to Read & Make Sense of the Bible



This interactive study will help participants learn to use the Bible and make sacred stories meaningful for today. Be sure to have your own Bible (NRSV translation preferred).

11 a.m.
Weekly

In-person 2x
per month
&
Online 2x per
month

4th–6th
grades

at least one
parent and child



Asynchronous Activities—accessed through the CONNECT app

Grow in love of God and neighbor any day of the week!

Description

Suggested Ages

Adult Participation

“Enter in” faithful reflections for families: (in development) These short weekly videos may be used to get ready to worship online or to spark family faith discussion anytime during the week. Each contains a reflection question and a follow up action related to scripture or the worship theme.

All



Journey with Jesus: 13 short videos share key stories of Jesus’ life. Mark each one off on the printable map.

First–Fourth grades



CommUNITY Allies: Learn what it means to be an ally through discussions, videos, picture books, and activities.

Families With children K–6th

Families Together



Looking Ahead to Christmas & Beyond



Our fall pathways/classes will pause on November 22.

During Advent and Christmas (November 29–January 3)

We will offer weekly family chapels at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

New pathways/classes will begin on January 10.