



## Sunday Programs

### Who participates in Sunday School?

Sunday School classes are for all children age 3 – grade 6. Classes are generally grouped by two or three grades together: PreSchool, Kindergarten-Grade 1, Grades 2-3, and Grades 4-6.

### What is Wee Ones Storytime?

This time includes stories and songs for children 0-3 years, and parenting fellowship for the adult(s) who bring them. All are welcome—babies, toddlers, and pre-schoolers. Storytime is about 30 minutes.

### What is Youth Group about?

This is for grades 9-12. On Sundays we gather for fun and study, but throughout the year there are additional opportunities for service and play together.

### When is Confirmation?

Confirmation is retreat-based and also meets Sundays, on a two-year cycle, with students beginning in 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The next class begins in Fall 2017. The current class will be confirmed on Sunday, October 29.



## How do Second Sundays work?

*Grace Time* (9:20 am) on Second Sundays shifts slightly to offer a change of programming, expanding faith connection opportunities.

### For Sunday School and Youth group...

...we have Music Time, led by our Children's and Youth Choir directors, for everyone. Participants can choose to sing in the 10:30 worship that day.

### For Adult music...

...we have Handbell Choir instead of Adult Choir, with rehearsal held in the Sanctuary. Plays in the 10:30 worship that day.

### Going forward...

...we hope to offer more diverse options on Second Sundays to engage other interests! Stay tuned for information.



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## Grace Time

Sundays  
9:20-10:20 am

*Grace Time* (a grace-filled time) is our time between Sunday morning worship services, when all can participate in the variety of activities offered throughout the church, for all ages, all interests. *Grace Time* is for connecting with others, soul-filling fun, and digging deeper into conversations and Biblical study. *Coffee is always on!*

### *Grace Time includes:*

Adult Forum ..... Peace Chapel  
 Adult Choir Rehearsal ..... Sanctuary  
 Sunday School ..... Classrooms  
 Wee Ones Storytime ..... Foyer  
*(Wee Ones begins in October)*  
 Youth Group ..... Library

### *Second Sundays are unique:*

Adult Forum ..... Peace Chapel  
 Sunday School Music .... Fellowship Hall  
 Youth Music ..... Lounge  
 Handbell Choir ..... Sanctuary  
 MoSS ..... Starbucks on Washington  
 Wee Ones Storytime ..... Classroom  
*See more about Second Sundays on the other side...*

### *Also part of Grace Time:*

Occasional guided parent discussions; and Books & Bagels is at Bruegger's on Washington. Books announced 1-2 months ahead.

## September 2017 – May 2018

*Please join us for these events!*

*Dates listed are all Sundays except where noted:*

### *Events During Sunday Morning Worship*

Rally Day & Backpack Blessing—September 10  
 Children's Sabbath—October 8  
 Second Grade Bible Presentation—October 8  
 Rite of Confirmation (10:30)—October 29

### *Book Fairs (Book group books available)*

October 1  
 February 11

### *Books & Bagels (A Parent-Child Bookgroup)*

September 24  
 November 12  
 January 14  
 April 8

### *No Sunday School, Wee Ones, or Youth Group*

October 22 (MEA)  
 December 24 (Christmas Eve)  
 December 31 (New Year's Eve)  
 April 1 (Easter)

### *Parenting Class*

Wednesday evenings January 17, 24, 31  
 (more details to come)

### *Seasonal Family/Intergenerational Events*

Saltshaker Meals—October  
 Thanksgiving Family Worship—November 19 (4:30 pm)  
 Advent Workshop—December 3  
 Christmas Pageant—December 17 (4 pm)  
 Epiphany Worship and Fire—Saturday, January 6 (evening)  
 Mardi Gras Pancakes and Fun—February 11  
 Family Baskets for Holy Week—March 25  
 Family Communion Class on Maundy Thursday—March 29 (4:30 pm)  
 Summer Musical—dates TBD

### *Confirmation Retreats (grades 7 & 8)*

Sunday, November 5 — 12-4pm  
 Saturday, January 13 — 10am-3pm  
 Sunday, March 11 — 12-4pm  
 Saturday, May 5 — 10am-3pm

Last Day of Sunday School, Wee Ones, and Youth Group—May 20

*See the other side for descriptions of programs*

*We also gather online...search "Grace University Families" on Facebook and request to be added to the group*

*Visit our website under "Connecting in Community" for a full calendar*