

ACTIVITIES

Family Movie Nights: Two to three times a year the Christian Education Committee sponsors an All-Church dinner and a child-friendly movie. These are held on Friday nights from 6-9 pm.

Bible Buddies: Every year second graders are presented a Bible from the church. Following is a time to learn about the Bible with each child having a "Bible Buddy" teenager who introduces the Bible to them one on one with a meal, crafts and games.

Advent Family Night: This fun-filled evening is always held the second Sunday of Advent. Several of our choirs present seasonal anthems and carols followed by holiday crafts and a potluck dinner.

Christmas Nativity Tableau: The Christmas narrative is read while our children, in costume, reenact the story during the worship service.

Carol Sing: Christmas caroling for children during worship accompanied by young instrumentalists in the Mill Creek Room.

Easter "Sunrise" Service: An early Easter Worship Service led by the youth at APC.

Youth Mission Activities: The Middle and High School youth participate in local day mission events in Philadelphia and have traveled on week long mission trips and youth conferences.

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Christian Education Programs for Children and Youth



**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

Children, **2nd to 7th grades**, are able to participate in our weekly Sunday school classes. The children and youth begin in the worship service at 10:30 and leave following the "Children's Moment." **Two year olds through 5th graders** use the **SPARK** curriculum. The **6th and 7th graders** use **Living the Good News**. Both curricula follow the Revised Common Lectionary so that both the children and the adults are being nurtured by the same Biblical texts.

Sunday Surprise: On Communion Sundays, holiday weekends and in the summer, special ungraded lessons are presented for the children in the Mill Creek Room following the "Children's Moment."

**WEDNESDAY
PLUS**

Play, Learn, Unwind, Sing

Wednesdays from 5:00-7:00 p.m. children in grades 2-5 and PK-1 come together for play, dinner, Bible activities and choir rehearsals.

Children's Choir: Grades 2-5

Cherub Choir: PK-1

**YOUTH
FELLOWSHIP**

Youth Fellowship for Middle and Senior High is held from 5:00-7:00pm on Wednesday evenings at the Parish House. At these gatherings, we have discussions on relevant topics, speakers, and games. We also participate in various service projects throughout the year. There are retreat opportunities for youth, and we are planning additional fun outings.

**YOUTH
CHOIR**

Middle School and High School students rehearse on Sundays following worship. Often they sing in choir festivals, visit other churches and present musicals with the Children's Choir.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation class runs for 13 weeks and includes an overnight retreat. We will be studying what we believe and how our faith impacts our lives. We study Scripture, prayer and the historic creeds of the church. We worship together and share a service project. Each participant has an adult mentor who will pray for the youth and meet with them to discuss the Scriptures they have read. This class does not provide every "answer." In such a short time that is impossible. Instead, we want to give our youth the tools they need to continue to grow within the context of the community of faith.

**VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL**

A long standing week-long tradition following closing of schools which is filled with learning about the Bible, music, crafts, games and fun revolving around a staff created theme. The past two years have incorporated Biblical truths with a Harry Potter and The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe themes. Open to the community from preschool through high school age.

**WEEKDAY
PRESCHOOL**

A beloved Christian preschool in its 65th year which incorporates a traditional yet innovative curriculum for children (ages two – five) at APC and in the community. There is a possible enrollment of 72 children with 9 teachers who create a loving and nurturing Christian environment for little ones.