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# PARENT PARTNERSHIP GUIDE



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Dear Parents,

At Cedar Springs, our hope is that your child will grow in maturity and mission for Jesus. We have deep aspirations for the lives of our children and youth that we feel reflect the loving passion that God the Father has for His children.

This guide was created for parents. Everything included is meant to help serve you as you disciple your child in their love for Jesus. We believe you are the primary discipler of your child and we want to provide resources that we encourage, equip, and educate for this great calling from the Lord.

We long for your child to grow in their relationship and love for Jesus. As your child engages in worship, fellowship, and mission, our hope is this guide can assist in navigating each new season and stage of your child's life during their time here at Cedar Springs.

We have many amazing ministries and staff members who are here to show the love of Christ to your child and to share the gospel with them. We've also included some resources for your time at home with your child.

We are praying for you!



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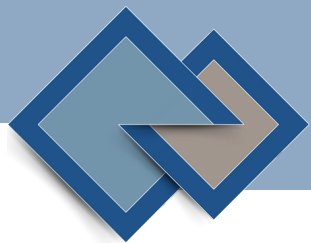
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# MINISTRY MISSION STATEMENTS

## **FAMILY MINISTRY**

Our goal is to educate, empower, and encourage Parents to disciple the next generation in their faith in Jesus Christ.



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## **NURSERY & PRESCHOOL MINISTRY**

CSPC Nursery & Preschool serves as a place of ministry for our youngest children (birth to Pre-K) and their parents. Our goal is to convey the love of Jesus through attentive care received through Bible teachings, engaging activities, and partnering with parents to initiate the discipleship process in the early stages of life. Additionally, we are dedicated to offering a secure and nurturing setting for the children while their parents engage in spiritual growth opportunities.



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## **ELEMENTARY MINISTRY**

CSPC Elementary serves as a place of ministry for our elementary-aged children (Kindergarten through 5th Grade) and their parents. Our goal is to provide safe, age-appropriate environments where children can learn about God and His plan for their lives through gospel-centered curriculum, small group discipleship, and worship.

## **Ready to Worship!**

CSPC Ready to Worship! serves as way to introduce our Kindergarten, 1st Grade, and 2nd Grade students and their parents to worshipping together as a family. Our goal is to provide a space where children can discover the reason behind worship, learn the parts of the Cedar Springs Worship service, meet members of our staff and congregation, and learn strategies to enhance their time in worship.



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## **STUDENT MINISTRY**

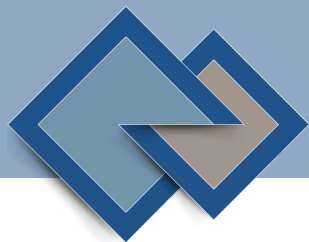
CSPC Student Ministry provides a space for ministry for Middle and High School students and their parents. Our goal is to encourage students and families to embrace God's love by fostering a deeper relationship with Jesus. We provide opportunities for students to form friendships centered around Christ and to strengthen their faith in a secure environment where they can freely ask tough questions.



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## **SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY**

CSPC Special Needs Ministry provides a space for ministry for individuals of all ages with special needs and their families. Our goal is to create a community where both those with special needs and their families feel a strong sense of acceptance and belonging. We provide opportunities to effectively share the Gospel with individuals facing physical and intellectual challenges within an environment that offers stability, support, and encouragement.



## MILESTONES & PROMOTIONS

Milestones mark significant moments of celebration in our children's spiritual development. This chart aims to assist parents in navigating these milestones as their children progress in their understanding and devotion to their Savior, Jesus Christ.

Milestone	Age	Description	Meaning
Baptism	Infancy (Family's Preference)	During a corporate worship service, a child receives baptism through the sprinkling of water in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.	Infant baptism symbolizes the parents' belief in God's grace for the child's salvation and their dedication to nurturing the child within the church community.
Preschool Graduation	Rising Kindergarten (5+)	In August of each year, the Elementary Ministry celebrates by welcoming the rising Kindergarten and inviting parents to an Open House.	The child will move from participation in the Nursery & Preschool Ministry into the Elementary Ministry representing a new chapter in their discipleship.
Ready to Worship! Graduation	Rising 3rd Grade	Children who have completed Ready to Worship! are recognized and the 2nd graders are presented with <b>The Adventure Bible</b> .	This milestone signifies the Church's dedication to the importance of personal Bible study and corporate family worship.
5th Grade Graduation	Rising 6th Grade	In May of each year, the rising 6th graders and their families are invited to celebrate their child's time in the Elementary Ministry. They are also introduced to Middle School Ministry staff.	The child will move from participation in the Elementary Ministry into the Student Ministry representing a new chapter in their discipling. They are now entering young adulthood.

Milestone	Age	Description	Meaning
Communicants Class & First Communion*	6th Grade or older	Students participate in a four-week course where they engage in discussions about the material with their parents. Following an interview with an Elder, they will then join the church and participate in their first communion.	The child is openly declaring their personal faith in Christ as their Lord and Savior and participating in the sacrament of the New Covenant, which signifies the forgiveness of sins.
8th Grade Onward	Rising 9th Grade	In May of each year, the rising 9th graders meet with High School Ministry staff to prepare for the transition into the high school ministry.	The child will move from participation in the Middle School Ministry into the High School Ministry representing a new chapter in their discipling. They are now becoming more independent and taking on more ownership.
Senior Year	12th Grade	Students participate in preparing for what comes after high school and graduates are celebrated with a Senior Luncheon in May.	The child is preparing to step out on their own.

**\* It is our recommendation that children wait to receive Communion until after they have completed the Communicant's Class.** This class is designed to provide them with a better understanding of their faith and the significance of the Lord's Supper.



# RESOURCES FOR MILESTONES

Age		Resources	Description
Infancy		<b>Abraham and Circumcision</b> by James Forsyth	The Gospel According to Abraham Series Scripture: Genesis 17:1-14; 22-27
Rising Kindergarten		<b>Shepherding a Child's Heart</b> by Tedd Tripp	Written for parents with children of any age, this insightful book provides perspectives and procedures for shepherding your child's heart into the paths of life.
Rising 3rd Grader		<b>Give Them Grace</b> by Elyse Fitzpatrick & Jessica Thompson	Discover the ultimate purpose in parenting: to nurture your child's heart with Christ's love and grace, while guiding them to become their best selves.
Rising 3rd Grader		<b>Raising Boys and Girls Podcast</b> with Sissy Goff, David Thomas, and Melissa Trevathan	Our goal is to help you care for the kids in your life with a little more understanding, a little more practical help, and a whole lot of hope.
Rising 6th Grader		<b>Age of Opportunity</b> by Paul David Tripp	This book shows parents how to connect with their children as never before, drawing on practical strategies shaped by God's Word.
6th Grader or older		<b>Maundy Thursday 2022</b> by James Forsyth	Holy Week 2022 Series Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11: 23 - 29.
10th - 12th Graders		<b>Parenting with Hope: Raising Teens for Christ in a Secular Age</b> by Melissa B. Kruger	This encouraging and practical guide will equip you with the wisdom to cultivate a Christ-centered household, passing on a legacy of faithfulness to your teenage children.



## KEY RESOURCES FOR AT-HOME DISCIPLESHIP

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise." **Deuteronomy 6:4-7**

The Bible emphasizes that the spiritual formation and discipleship of children requires collaborative effort between the home and the church. In the book of Deuteronomy, a pivotal text for passing down the faith, there are instructions for the community of believers to actively nurture the spiritual development of children.

Additionally, this text provides parents with guidelines on teaching their children about God's word. At CSPC, we are committed to supporting, empowering, and encouraging parents in nurturing their children's spiritual growth.

In this section, you can find straightforward yet powerful methods and structures for guiding your child. Don't be daunted: trust in the Holy Spirit's guidance. Your small actions can have a significant impact on steering your child towards a lasting faith in Jesus Christ.



## GOSPEL CATECHISMS

Catechisms serve as an educational method for children to grasp essential truths from the Gospel by engaging in a series of questions and answers. Research indicates that a child's ability to understand and express the fundamental gospel message greatly influences future church attendance. Therefore, we encourage incorporating gospel catechisms into family routines.

Parents have the opportunity to engage with their children by asking these questions when dropping them off at school, before bedtime, or at the dinner table. For teenagers facing important tests or tryouts, parents can text these essential truths as encouragement. The goal is to instill a deep understanding of the Gospel in our children, guiding them to live within the narrative of God's grace through Christ.

### GOSPEL CATECHISMS FOR SMALL CHILDREN

Q: What does Gospel mean?	A: Good News!
Q: What is the good news of Jesus?	A: Jesus died for my sins.
Q: Why did Jesus die for your sins?	A: So I can have a relationship with God.
Q: Who loves you the most?	A: God.
Q: Who loves you the second most?	A: Mommy and Daddy (Grandma, Grandpa, Aunt, Uncle, etc.)
Q: What can you do by God's power and grace?	A: Hard things.



## GOSPEL CATECHISMS FOR TEENAGERS

**Q: Who does the Spirit say you are?**

**A: One who is washed and clean!**

**Q: Who does Jesus say you are?**

**A: One who is forgiven and righteous!**

**Q: Who does the Father say you are?**

**A: One who is an adopted child of God!**





**Q: Who are you?**

**A: A sinner saved by grace.**



## BIBLE BENCHMARKS READING PLAN

The Bible Benchmarks Reading Plan is designed to enhance biblical literacy as your child's knowledge and skill-levels grow. This plan aligns with the following CSPC recommended Bibles.

Age		Bible	Description
Pre-K 3 - Kindergarten		<b>The Jesus Storybook Bible:</b> Every Story Whispers His Name Zonderkidz	At the center of all is Jesus. He is the one piece to the puzzle that makes all pieces fit together. As the story unfolds, children will piece together the puzzle. <b>We recommend this Bible as a read-aloud for children ages 3 - 6.</b>
Kindergarten - 3rd Grade		<b>The Gospel Story Bible:</b> Discovering Jesus in the Old and New Testaments New Growth Press	The easy-to-read storybook shows how the captivating people, places, and events from the Bible point to Jesus. <b>We recommend this Bible as a read-aloud in sequential order for children ages 5 - 9.</b>
3rd - 9th Grade		<b>The Adventure Bible NIV</b> Zonderkidz	A complete Bible designed to assist young readers with study aids (i.e. sidebars with explanations, mini glossaries, graphics, maps, and life applications). <b>We recommend parents read alongside their child for up to two years until they become proficient readers who can understand and accurately interpret the text.</b>
9th - 12th Grade		<b>The ESV Study Bible</b> Crossway	A complete Bible with the English Standard Version text with evangelical commentary and includes useful study aids (i.e. book introductions, illustrations, maps, timelines, and glossary).



# FRAMEWORK FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

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**Pick a time that fits with your family routine.**

Examples:

- At breakfast on Saturday mornings
- After dinner during the week
- Before bedtime on the weekend

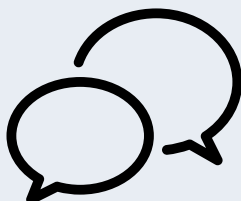
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**Read a passage from an age-appropriate Bible.**

- As a family, decide if the passage will be read-aloud or silently.
- If reading aloud, have a different person read each time.
- If multiple levels are represented in your family, read at a middle to lower level or read the same passage from more than one resource.

3



**Retell the passage in your own words.**

- Remind your children before the passage is read that they will be asked to retell the passage.
- Take turns retelling the passage in their own words.
- Are all the details recalled? Do they remember what you remember or was their attention caught by a different detail?

4



**Take it to heart.**

**Discover and discuss together by asking:**

- Was there anything in the passage you didn't understand?
- Was there anything in the passage you have questions about?
- Was there anything in the passage you liked?
- Was there anything in the passage you disliked?
- What does this passage teach us about God?
- What does this passage teach us about other people?
- What does this passage teach us about the life God desires for us?



## SCOPE AND SEQUENCE FOR NURSERY & PRESCHOOL MINISTRY

<b>Bible Content</b>	The Bible is God's Word. Stories about Jesus
<b>Theological Emphasis</b>	God loves me. God made me. Basic concepts of who Jesus is.
<b>Christian Practices</b>	<b>Pray to God</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction to the Lord's Prayer.</li><li>• Blessing is said during teaching time.</li></ul> <b>Read the Bible</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bible reading and exploration using <b>The Jesus Storybook Bible</b>.</li></ul> <b>Worship God Together</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Explore the church as a safe and loving space where we gather to deepen our understanding of God.</li><li>• Sing songs praising and dedicated to God.</li></ul>
<b>Milestones and Promotions</b>	Baptism Promotion to Preschool Ministry (3s, 4s, & Pre-K) Promotion to Elementary Ministry (Kindergarten - 5th Grade)

### SUPPORTING MY NURSERY & PRESCHOOLER'S SPIRITUAL GROWTH AT HOME

- Engage in prayer with your child regularly.
- Include your child and your child's future in your prayers.
- Share stories from The Jesus Storybook Bible.
- Read age-appropriate books about Jesus.
- Participate in church activities.
- Play scripture lullabies at bedtime for a peaceful sleep.
- Sing Christian hymns and songs together.
- Listen to Gospel-themed children's songs in the car.

Recommended albums on Spotify or Amazon Music:

- Rain for Roots
- Seeds of Faith (Seeds Kids Worship)
- Ask Me Whooo (Volumes 1, 2, & 3)
- Wee Sing Bible Songs & Wee Sing More Bible Songs
- Hide 'Em In Your Heart: Bible Memory Melodies (Volumes 1 & 2)



## SCOPE AND SEQUENCE FOR ELEMENTARY MINISTRY

<b>Bible Content</b>	Rotating through Old and New Testament passages
<b>Theological Emphasis</b>	Focus on illustrating the influence of the Gospel on children's everyday lives. Specifically highlighting <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• their sufficiency through justification,</li><li>• the presence of the Holy Spirit within them, and</li><li>• their inclusion in the family of God.</li></ul>
<b>Christian Practices</b>	<b>Pray to God</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Engage in group prayer, aloud and silently</li></ul> <b>Read the Bible</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bible reading and exploration using <b>The Gospel Story Bible</b> (K-2nd) and <b>The Adventure Bible</b> (3rd - 5th).</li></ul> <b>Worship God Together</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prepare to actively engage in the corporate worship service</li><li>• Sing songs praising and dedicated to God.</li></ul>
<b>Milestones and Promotions</b>	Ready to Worship! Graduation (Rising 3rd Graders) - <i>Optional</i> Bible Presentation Ceremony (Rising 3rd Graders) 5th Grade Graduation (Promotion to Middle School Ministry)

### SUPPORTING MY ELEMENTARY CHILD'S SPIRITUAL GROWTH AT HOME

- Engage in prayer with your child regularly.
- Recite the Lord's Prayer as a family.
- Include your child and your child's future in your prayers.
- Share stories from The Gospel Story Bible or The Adventure Bible.
- Let your child observe you reading your Bible.
- Participate in church activities.
- Download The New City Catechism app and enjoy listening to 1-2 songs each week.
- Integrate the child-friendly gospel catechism into your everyday schedule.



## SCOPE AND SEQUENCE FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

<b>Bible Content</b>	Various teachings from different books of the Bible cover a range of topics and address various themes.
<b>Theological Emphasis</b>	Focus on illustrating the influence of the Gospel on children's everyday lives. Specifically highlighting <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• their sufficiency through justification,</li><li>• the presence of the Holy Spirit within them, and</li><li>• their inclusion in the family of God.</li></ul>
<b>Christian Practices</b>	<b>Pray to God</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Explore the Lord's Prayer, ACTS prayer model, and Five Finger Prayer as structure for prayer.</li></ul> <b>Read the Bible</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discover and practice how to independently study the Bible during personal devotional time.</li></ul> <b>Worship God Together</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Actively engage in corporate worship.</li></ul>
<b>Milestones and Promotions</b>	Communicants Class & First Communion (6th grade or older) 8th Grade Onward (Promotion to High School Ministry)

### SUPPORTING MY MIDDLE SCHOOLER'S SPIRITUAL GROWTH AT HOME

- Engage in prayer with your child regularly.
- Recite the Lord's Prayer as a family.
  - Take time to discuss the meaning and significance of the Lord's Prayer.
- Include your child and your child's future in your prayers.
- Encourage your child to read The Adventure Bible as part of their daily devotional reading.
- Let your child observe you reading your Bible.
- Participate in church activities.
- Encourage your child to inquire about God, the Bible, or other topics.
- Promote a culture of continuous learning as a devoted follower of Christ.
- Integrate the "Gospel Catechisms for Teenagers" into your daily routines.
- Get into the habit of sending your child Bible verses, supportive messages, and prayers for events or challenges they are facing through text or other means of communication.



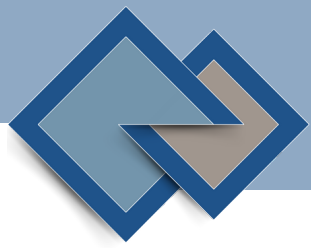
## SCOPE AND SEQUENCE FOR HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

<b>Bible Content</b>	Various teachings from different books of the Bible cover a range of topics and address various themes.
<b>Theological Emphasis</b>	<p>Focus on illustrating the influence of the Gospel on children's everyday lives. Specifically highlighting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• their sufficiency through justification,</li><li>• the presence of the Holy Spirit within them, and</li><li>• their inclusion in the family of God.</li></ul> <p>We prioritize addressing challenging inquiries and uncertainties that students may have regarding Christianity and faith. Small groups focus on the New City Catechisms.</p>
<b>Christian Practices</b>	<p><b>Pray to God</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Explore the Lord's Prayer and ACTS prayer model as structure for prayer.</li></ul> <p><b>Read the Bible</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discover and practice how to independently study the Bible during personal devotional time.</li></ul> <p><b>Worship God Together</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Actively engage in corporate worship.</li></ul>
<b>Milestones and Promotions</b>	<p>Student Leadership Team (10 - 12th Grade) Senior Year (12th Grade) High School Graduation</p>

### SUPPORTING MY HIGH SCHOOLER'S SPIRITUAL GROWTH AT HOME

- Engage in prayer with your child regularly.
- Recite the Lord's Prayer as a family.
  - Take time to discuss the meaning and significance of the Lord's Prayer.
- Include your child and your child's future in your prayers.
- Encourage your child to read the ESV Study Bible as part of their daily devotional reading.
- Let your child observe you reading your Bible.
- Participate in church activities.
- Encourage your child to inquire about God, the Bible, or other topics.
- Promote a culture of continuous learning as a devoted follower of Christ.
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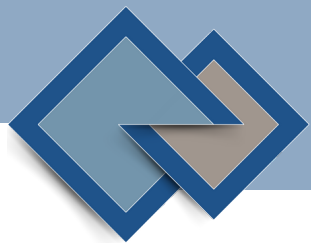


# RECOMMENDED RESOURCES ON CHRISTIAN PARENTING

Recommended resources to assist parents in guiding their children's spiritual growth and discipline in a Christian home.

Books	Resources	Description
	<b>Shepherding a Child's Heart</b> by Tedd Tripp	Written for parents with children of any age, this insightful book provides perspectives and procedures for shepherding your child's heart into the paths of life.
	<b>Give Them Grace</b> by Elyse Fitzpatrick & Jessica Thompson	Discover the ultimate purpose in parenting: to nurture your child's heart with Christ's love and grace, while guiding them to become their best selves.
	<b>Age of Opportunity</b> by Paul David Tripp	This book shows parents how to connect with their children as never before, drawing on practical strategies shaped by God's Word.
	<b>Parenting with Hope: Raising Teens for Christ in a Secular Age</b> by Melissa B. Kruger	This encouraging and practical guide will equip you with the wisdom to cultivate a Christ-centered household, passing on a legacy of faithfulness to your teenage children.
	<b>Same Lake, Different Boat: Coming Alongside People Touched by Disability</b> by Stephanie O. Hubach	There is a better way to understand the challenges facing those touched by disability and a better way to understand the role of the church in the lives of people with differing abilities. What we need to rethink in order to make God's kingdom truly accessible to all.
	<b>Parenting &amp; Disabilities: Abiding in God's Presence</b> by Stephanie O. Huback	Personal stories, reflection questions, and practical action points to help you to rest in the encouraging truths of God's unwavering faithfulness.
	<b>Disability and the Gospel: How God Uses Our Brokenness to Display His Grace</b> by Michael S. Beates	This book goes beyond the surface in search of reconciliation among the realities of suffering, disability, and the teachings of Scripture.
	<b>But God...: A 10-Week Bible Study for Moms of Kids with Special Needs</b> by Lynn West	Tailored to Christian women navigating the unexpected challenges of raising a child with unique needs, <i>But God...</i> radiates an inspirational message of unwavering faith, resilience, and profound love.

Digital Resources	Resources	Description	QR Code
	<b>The Disciple-Making Parent Blog and Podcast</b> with Chap Bettis	A resource that seeks to equip parents and churches to pass the gospel to their children. Listen in on important conversations with wise but unsung guests.  <a href="http://www.thedisciplemakingparent.com/resources">www.thedisciplemakingparent.com/resources</a>	
	<b>Rooted Ministry</b> All About Boys Podcast Rooted Parent Blog and Podcast Ask Alice Podcast	Our mission is to equip and empower parents to faithfully disciple children toward life-long faith in Jesus Christ.  <a href="http://rootedministry.com/parenting">rootedministry.com/parenting</a>	
	<b>Redemptive Parenting Podcast</b> with Kristen Hatton	A resource for the encouragement and equipping of parents in wisdom with hope in the Gospel for the everyday.	Find on Spotify or Apple Podcast
	<b>Raising Boys and Girls Podcast</b> with Sissy Goff, David Thomas, and Melissa Trevathan	Our goal is to help you care for the kids in your life with a little more understanding, a little more practical help, and a whole lot of hope.  <a href="http://www.raisingboysandgirls.com/">www.raisingboysandgirls.com/</a>	
	<b>Center for Parent/Youth Understanding Resources</b> Youth Culture Matters Podcast	Resources that endeavor to increase the ability of home and church to nurture children and teens into a lifetime of biblically-faithful, whole-life Christian discipleship.  <a href="http://cpyu.org">cpyu.org</a>	
	<b>axis:</b> Connecting Parents, Teens, & Jesus in a Disconnected World	Resources to see all caring adults equipped with the conversation, discipleship, and culture translation skills needed to reach the next generation for Christ.  <a href="http://axis.org">axis.org</a>	
	<b>All Pro Dad Blog, Podcast, and Resources</b>	Resources committed to bringing intentional focus to fathers around the world. Our message will inspire you to embrace who you are, give you tenderness of heart, and boldness of character as a dad and husband. We are consistently here for you to provide guidance and practical tips in raising your kids in a life giving way.  <a href="http://www.allprodad.com">www.allprodad.com</a>	



## SUPPORT FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

We value teaching young children to worship alongside their families and the congregation in the sanctuary. We believe this practice is vital for their long-term spiritual growth and well-being. To ensure that our kids can participate meaningfully in the service, we developed an intentional discipleship process called **Ready to Worship!** This process begins in kindergarten and teaches them the tools and understanding needed to attend worship regularly by the time they start 3rd grade. We take great joy in raising up the next generation of life-long worshipers.



Age	Recommended Ministry
Birth - Pre K	 <b>NURSERY &amp; PRESCHOOL</b> <i>Live Deeply</i>
<b>Kindergarten - 2nd grade</b> <i>(offered during the 8AM service)</i>	<b>READY TO WORSHIP!</b> 
3rd grade +	<b>Regularly Attending Sunday Morning Worship</b>



## THE FAMILY RESOURCE CABINET

We desire to create an environment where everyone feels welcome to worship with us on Sunday mornings by providing items for all children with varied learning/worship styles and encourage active participation and attentiveness throughout the entire Sunday morning worship service.

### WHAT CAN YOU FIND IN THE FAMILY RESOURCE CABINET?

	<b>Children's Bibles</b>	Families can find a variety of Children's Bibles to borrow for the service.
	<b>We Can Grow Resources</b>	Families can find devotionals and resources to help with the transition into worshipping together as a family.

	<b>Family Worship Bag Ideas</b>	Families can find recommendations for their personal Family Worship Bag with items available to borrow for the service. We encourage our Cedar Springs families who regularly attend Sunday morning worship to begin building their own Family Worship Bag as their child enters Kindergarten.
	<b>Sensory Support Items</b>	Families can find items that will make the worship experience more comfortable for children with sensory needs.
	<b>Interactive Worship Guide</b>	Families can find a worship guide formatted to assist parents in engaging their child in the parts of Sunday morning worship. This worship guide mirrors the Ready to Worship! Parts of Service symbols displayed throughout worship.



## PARTS OF SERVICE SYMBOLS

Look for the following symbols throughout the Sunday morning worship service to help your child follow along and understand the importance of each part.

	<b>Call to Worship</b>	I focus my heart and mind on worshipping God by giving Him my full attention.
	<b>Singing</b>	I worship God alongside my church family through song.
	<b>Responding</b>	I listen and respond alongside my church family.
	<b>Greeting</b>	I greet those around me and stay informed about the events happening in our church.
	<b>Praying</b>	While I listen, I silently pray in my heart and then recite the Lord's Prayer alongside my church family.
	<b>God's Word</b>	I listen and follow the Bible reading and teaching.
	<b>Communion</b>	I remember and honor Jesus for all that He has done and will do and I ask for forgiveness for my sins.
	<b>Benediction</b>	I receive a blessing as I leave my church family and go into the world.

## Notes

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