MVBCnow.org/kids Spring 2023

MOUNT VERNON KIDS MONTHLY

Mark Your Calendar!

Mount Vernon Kids Summer Camp Registration opens March 26! MVBCnow.org/Kids

Vacation Bible School

July 17- July 21, 8:30-12:00 5 years old- completed 6th grade

KampJAM

July 31- August 3, 9:00-12:00 Completed 1st-5th grade

Easter Story Walk & Petting Zoo Saturday, April 1

Please come by anytime 12:00-2:00 for this outdoor, family event- rain or shine (Plan to stay for 45 minutes- an hour.)

Bring your basket to collect goodies as your family walks along, reading the interactive story, "Twas the Morning of Easter."

Don't miss the Easter Petting Zoo, too!

Family Spring Celebration with KidJAM presentation of *Acorns to Oaks* Sunday, April 30

6:00-8:00, Beginning with the KidJAM presentation in the Sanctuary at 6:00. A celebration in the Fellowship Hall to follow with crafts, games, inflatables & more!

Easter Goodie Collection

You are invited to help us gather edible (individually packaged) and non-edible treats to hand out at the Mount Vernon Kids Easter Story Walk and Petting Zoo.



We will be collecting these goodies throughout the month of March. Please drop off in the Mount Vernon Kids lobby. Dear Mount Vernon Kids & Families.

From the very beginning, God's Word reveals **our need for a Savior** and His plan to rescue us through **Jesus, our Savior**.

This spring, we will move through these concepts:

- 1. God created the world and rules over it.
- 2. Adam and Eve sinned, and their sin separated them from God, just as our sin separates us from God.
- 3. God provided the law. Through people's repeated failure to live up to the law, we clearly see our need for a Savior.
- 4. God has had a plan to save us from our sin from the start. God showed Isaiah, the prophet, what kind of Savior would come. Isaiah explained that our Savior, the Messiah, would take the punishment that people deserved for following their own way instead of God.

In Christ,

Michelle Dres

Michelle Ives, Minister for Children & Families

A Peek Inside Our Sunday School Classes



PRESCHOOL KIDS

April

2- Jesus entered Jerusalem Matthew 21:1-11

9- Jesus is alive! Matthew 28:1-10

16- Thomas believed John 20:19-31

23- Jesus helped the disciples John 21:1-19

30- Jesus taught two men Genesis 2:4-24; 3

ELEMENTARY KIDS

April

2- Jesus entered Jerusalem Matthew 21:1-11

9- Jesus died for sinners Matthew 26:36-28:10

16- Thomas believed John 20:19-31

23- Jesus restored Peter John 18:15-18, 25-27; 21:1-19

30- Jesus returned to heaven Acts 4:1-11

FAMILY RESOURCES

CHILDREN'S BOOK Recommendations

Reading the Bible together is such an important part of a family's walk with Jesus. In addition, there are many quality story books that share the love of Christ in real and meaningful ways for our children.

Here are some of Mount Vernon Kids' favorites:

Like Me: A Story About Disability and **Discovering God's Image in Every Person**

By: Laura Wifler

Little ones will discover that God created each of us wonderfully and in His image. The story follows along with two siblings, one with a disability, as we discover God's love for each and every one of us. Recommended ages: 4-8

It Will Be Okay: Trusting God Through Fear and Change

By: Lysa TerKeurst

Little Seed and Little Fox are facing fears, changes, and brand new things. Children will discover that no matter how new or fearful their circumstances, God is always with them.

Recommended ages: 4-8

Millie Maven Series

By: Ted Dekker

Enter into the world of Millie Maven, a 12-year-old girl who embarks on great adventures and learns that some truths change everything.

Recommended ages: 10-13

The WingFeather Saga

By: Andrew Peterson

This fantasy novel series brings children into the world of Aerwiar with the 3 Igiby children. They will delve into themes of love, sacrifice, hope, and the eternal struggle between good and evil.

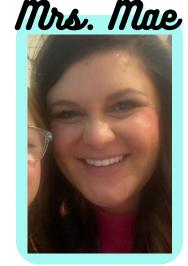
Recommended ages: 8-12

Find more recommended titles and Family **Resources visit:**

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Volunteer Spotlight



Children's Ministry Assistant-Evening Programming & Special Events

Tell us about your family!

I am married to my wonderful husband Phillip and have two sweet daughters, Ashley (6yo) and Josie (5yo)

Tell us one of your "happy places"

Holden Beach, NC- It's where my parents live, where I grew up going as a child, and where my husband and I had our wedding!

What is your favorite song?

My favorite song is called "Highlands" (Song of Ascent). God is with you in the valleys just as much as the mountaintops of your life.

Can you tell us about a time God really amazed you?

We'd been waiting over a year to be matched with a child through international adoption, and we got the call about our daughter Josie when we were at Disney World! It was clear God was saying, "Here's an EXTRA surprise to make this vacation even more special!"

Why do you love Mount Vernon Kids?

I love working with Mount Vernon Kids because it's a FUN, high-energy environment, and most of all I love seeing how God is shaping their little hearts to love Him and rely on Him daily.

Tell us a scripture that is special to you: "The Lord will fight for you, you need only to be still."

Exodus 14:14