

KICKOFF SUNDAY

EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES AHEAD



Sunday School Begins Today at 10:45 a.m.

*All those 3 years old—Kindergarten please go to room # 8 & 9 located on the southeast side of the basement.

*All those in 1st—5th grade go to room #6 on the southwest side of the basement.



<u>God's Little Wonders</u> - 3 year old—Kindergarten Kara Warrick & Rebecca Rozendaal Opening exercises east side of basement rooms #8 & 9

We will begin here with singing and then walk with their teachers to their rooms. All classrooms are marked with the teachers name and names of students on the outside of each door.

3 year olds – Room #9 (Little Lambs) - Hands on Bible: Teachers: Amy Harthoorn & Hollie Nunnikhoven, Julie Van Wyk & Lisa Dunsbergen

Julie Van Manen, Children's Ministry Director 4 year olds – Room #7 (Zacchaeus' Treehouse) - Hands on Bible Teachers: Annette Zimmerman, Shaleah Van Wyk & Elaine Droppert Kindergarten –Children in worship area – Room #10 (Builders) - Imagine Teachers: Monica Nikkel & Lysandra Newell

All kids in Children in Worship downstairs will be led to opening exercises.

**3 yrs.—Kindergarten will have cookies during Children in Worship—1st—5th will be served cookies before opening exercises.

Faith Seekers—1st—5th Grade (west side of basement)

Primary Department – Dawn Schechinger—Opening Exercises Rm. #6- West side We will begin singing here and then go to their individual classrooms. 1st Grade—Room #4—(Lion's Den) - Imagine Teachers: Emily Larson & Carrie Mortvedt 2nd & 3rd Grade – Room # 3 (Commandment Center) - Wonder Teachers: Joni Collins & Desiree Hardeman 4th Grade-Room #1 (Creation Station) - Marvel Teachers: Verlan Brand & Julie Van Manen 5th Grade—Room # 11 (Trailblazers) Children in worship area—Marvel Teacher: Eloise Vos



Middle School—<u>Youth With Heart</u>6th—8th

Nick De Penning—Superintendent

(The Lighthouse -opening exercises upstairs above wing) 6th—8th Grade – The Lighthouse— Dive—Year 1 Teachers: Nick De Penning, Mel Vos & Tim Vanden Hoek

Jeff Knouse, Youth & Education Director

High School— <u>Souls Ignited 9</u>th—12th grade

9th **& 10**th **Grade** – The Well (west side of basement) **Teacher: Kurt Harthoorn**—Heidelberg Catechism

11th & 12th Grade – The Well (east side of basement) Teacher: Ryan Mortvedt - Right Now Media

*All 6th—8th grade classes are held upstairs in the Lighthouse (area above the wing) *All 9th—12th grade classes are held in The Well (northwest side of the basement)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

Adult Sunday school -meet in the Legacy Center—All adults are invited to join! Bible Study—Apostle's Creed

INSTRUCTIONS

- NOTE: The 5th grade will now be meeting downstairs!
- If you haven't attended a Sunday school class or you are new to FRC this year, you are invited to join a class!
- Your children can be picked up at 11:30 a.m. each Sunday.
- An offering will be collected each Sunday. This is a great way to teach kids how to tithe.



Celebrating a New Season of Faith Nurture Church

Jeff, Youth & Education Director: Our faith is nurtured in community as we learn and worship together. Today we celebrate a new church school season as children, youth, and adults begin attending Sunday school, small groups, and midweek activities. We ask God to prepare our hearts to study the Bible and the creeds and confessions of the church. We commission our teachers and leaders for their ministry.

Julie, Children's Ministry Director: As we begin this new season of learning, we turn our hearts to you, Lord.

Congregation: Lead us to explore the depths of your love, to be amazed by your wonders, to find joy in your promises, to experience your forgiveness, to grow in love for one another, to discover our gifts, and to serve you faithfully.

Ellington Dunsbergen: Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus.

Congregation: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. (Heb.12:2a, NIV)

Mandeesa Vos: We want to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.

Congregation: In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. (1 John 5:3a)

Kate Harthoorn: Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.

Congregation: For Jesus said, "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand." (John 10:27-28)

Evan Fikse: Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus.

Congregation: No one's ears have ever heard of a God like you. No one's eyes have ever seen a God who is greater than you. No God but you acts for the good of those who trust in him. (Isa. 64:4, NIrV)

Jeff, Youth & Education Director: Lead us this year to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen. (2 Pet. 3:18)

Julie, Children's Ministry Director: As followers of Christ we are lifelong learners called to make disciples. Some are gifted by the Spirit to serve as teachers and leaders, nurturing the faith of others. We now commission you for the ministry of faith nurture. Do you believe that God has called you to teach or lead, and do you trust God to equip you for this task?

Teachers/leaders: I do.

Jeff, Youth & Education Director: Will you seek to remain in Christ by depending on his grace and cultivating your relationship with God through times of prayer, Bible study, and worship?

Teachers/leaders: I will.

Julie, Children's Ministry Director: Will you strive to teach the Word of God with passion and joy, to live the lessons you share, and to grow in faith as you serve?

Teachers/leaders: | will.

Jeff, Youth & Education Director: Please stand as together we pray for the teachers and leaders we have commissioned.

Congregation: Loving God, you are the source of life and the giver of faith. Thank you for calling these servants of yours to strengthen the faith of others. Please lead them to depend on your grace, to walk in step with your Spirit, and to seek wisdom for the journey. Through Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen

Closing Song: "Step by Step"