

Are Children's Church teachers required to be members of King's Chapel?

We do not require teachers and helpers to be members of King's Chapel. However, those who are not Covenant Members who wish to teach must sign an agreement with our statement of faith before teaching.

How often do teachers and helpers serve?

Teachers and helpers serve one Sunday a month, and we work around vacations and other scheduling conflicts. We use a dynamic, online scheduling platform – <u>Planning Center Services</u> – for all our Ministry Teams, including Children's Church. Volunteers can access their schedules anytime through the Planning Center Services app and block out dates they are unavailable to serve. Planning Center Services also sends notifications to volunteers with reminders or scheduling changes.

Are background checks required for teachers and helpers?

Yes, all adults that volunteer in our Children's Ministry are required to submit to a background screening.

What ages are included in Children's Church?

Currently, we offer Children's Church for children ages Pre-K through 8th Grade, divided into four classes:

- Pre-K & Kindergarten
- 1st 2nd grade
- $3^{rd} 5^{th}$ grade
- Middle School (6th 8th grade)

Beginning October 22, we will be switching to five classes:

- Pre-K
- Kindergarten 1st Grade
- 2nd 3rd Grade
- 4th 5th Grade
- Middle School (6th 8th Grade)

What curriculum do you use?

We subscribe to Lifeway's Christ-centered, chronological Bible study called <u>The Gospel Project</u> for our Children's Church curriculum.

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How do teachers prepare lessons for Sunday morning?

Lesson materials, including leader guides, activity pages, and videos, are posted on the Ministry Grid portal, which teachers can access anytime. Preparing the lesson for Sunday typically requires 60 to 90 minutes during the week. The leader guide walks teachers through the session: welcoming students, introducing the Bible Story, the lesson, and class activities. Activity pages are printed before Sunday morning and placed in the classrooms for the teachers. We also queue the Bible story videos on TVs in each classroom.

How are Children's Church volunteers trained?

Each teacher will be trained to view and manage their online schedules, access the curriculum, and how to operate the TVs in the classrooms. Teachers and helpers will learn the behavior policy and will be scheduled to shadow a class to experience the classroom setting firsthand. Each volunteer will also receive a copy of the Children's Church Guidebook detailing policies, procedures, and responsibilities.

Does each class have a teacher and helpers?

Currently, we schedule helpers for the PreK-K and the 1st – 2nd grade classes.

How do I get started?

Fill out the <u>serving form</u>, and a Ministry Leader will contact you with next steps, such as initiating a background check, scheduling you to shadow the class of your choice.

Who do I contact with further questions?

You can contact our Children's Church Director, Jessica Deeb (<u>ildeeb@gmail.com</u>).

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