



Kidz Powered UP!

Beginning September 13 @ 9:30 & 11:00
Kindergarten-5th grade

Frequently Asked Questions

➤ **What is Kidz Powered UP! ?**

This program is an interactive teaching format that consists of a 35 min. large group time of worship, a short drama, Bible lesson, followed by a 35 min. small group portion. K-2nd gr. will be together in one room for large group, and 3rd-5th gr. will be in a different room. This program currently takes place for K-5th at 11:15. Our plan is to transition to offering this program both hours in the fall.

➤ **Why are we changing our existing programs?**

We believe we need to update our ministry methods, so it is our goal to create an interactive, relational environment that teaches children God's Word in a relevant way. Our program on Sunday morning will be known as "Kidz Powered Up" instead of "Sunday School."

➤ **Will this program be just entertainment and like a performance?**

No, our main goal continues to be teaching God's Word to our children. However, we plan to update our methods to accomplish that goal, along with reaching more children, and enhancing learning. We will provide a stimulating, engaging environment during the large group time that may use media, puppets, drama, or interactive games.

➤ **Tell me about the curriculum.**

This curriculum focuses on one virtue per month. Each month, four Bible lessons are used to help children understand God's teaching on the virtue and examples from the Bible of how it is to be displayed. The emphasis is on growing in Christlikeness and helping children develop these character traits in their everyday lives.

➤ **How will my child build relationships with other children and the leaders?**

It is our goal to have small groups remain the same throughout the year in order to provide opportunity for relationship building through activities on Sunday morning, as well as possibly outside of Sunday morning during social outings or service projects.

➤ **How will my child learn Bible concepts?**

The Bible lesson will be taught during their large group time, then reinforced with their Bibles during the small group portion. In appropriate grades, within their small group time, children will have specific lessons on important church traditions that are not covered in the curriculum, such as Baptism, communion, etc.

➤ **What happens during small group time?**

Children are in their small groups of 8-10 for about 30-35 min. They will remain in the same small group, with the same one or two leaders throughout the year. During this time, they use their Bibles to re-examine the lesson from large group time, take part in activities that bring further understanding and application of the day's teaching, as well as build relationships with each other and their leader.

➤ **How can I know what my child is learning and how can I help further their spiritual development?**

We will be providing links on our BCC website to the monthly virtue and weekly "God cards" and "Refrigerator cards" that expand on what is being covered on Sunday morning. These cards have daily Bible readings, family discussion questions, and activities for parents and children to put into practice what they are learning. Since all children from K-5th grade are learning the same lesson each week, more family involvement is possible and highly encouraged.

➤ **When will this change occur?**

This transition will begin on Move-Up Sunday, September 13.

➤ **What times will the children's programs be?**

They will likely be at 9:30 & 11am, in alignment with the Sunday morning services. Services and Kidz Powered UP will be 70min. long with a 20 min. break between services.

➤ **What will arrival and dismissal look like?**

Children will go directly to their small group rooms to check in and have an initial activity before going to the large group room. They will also be picked up in their small group rooms.

➤ **What does my child do if he stays for both services?**

Children staying for two services may attend the church service with their parents one of the hours, or they may remain in Kidz Powered UP for a second hour. During the second hour, children will be placed in a small group with other children also attending for both hours. During small group time, they will do different activities so as not to repeat what they did during the first hour.

➤ **How will you keep track of my child during each phase of the morning?**

Small group leaders will remain with the children all morning and are responsible for attendance, accompanying children from one room to another, and sitting with them during large group time. Large group room greeters will not allow children in or out of the room without a small group leader or assistant.

➤ **Do I have to choose an hour to attend regularly?**

We strongly recommend families choose to regularly attend either 9:30 or 11am throughout the year. This will provide relational consistency for your child.

➤ **How can I get involved in serving in **Kidz Powered UP!**, even if I don't have any children?**

We need LOTS of people to serve in our Kidz Powered UP program. We need worship leaders, drama participants, large group teachers, MC's, small group leaders, greeters, and AV tech people. There is a place for everyone!

Weekly commitments are best for our children, but we know that is impossible for many people. Therefore, we will be offering once a month or every other month commitments, depending on what the role is. We will be having various training sessions beginning this summer for each of the areas of service in Kidz Powered UP. Job descriptions are available in our office now.