

Asbury Lafayette

children's ministry

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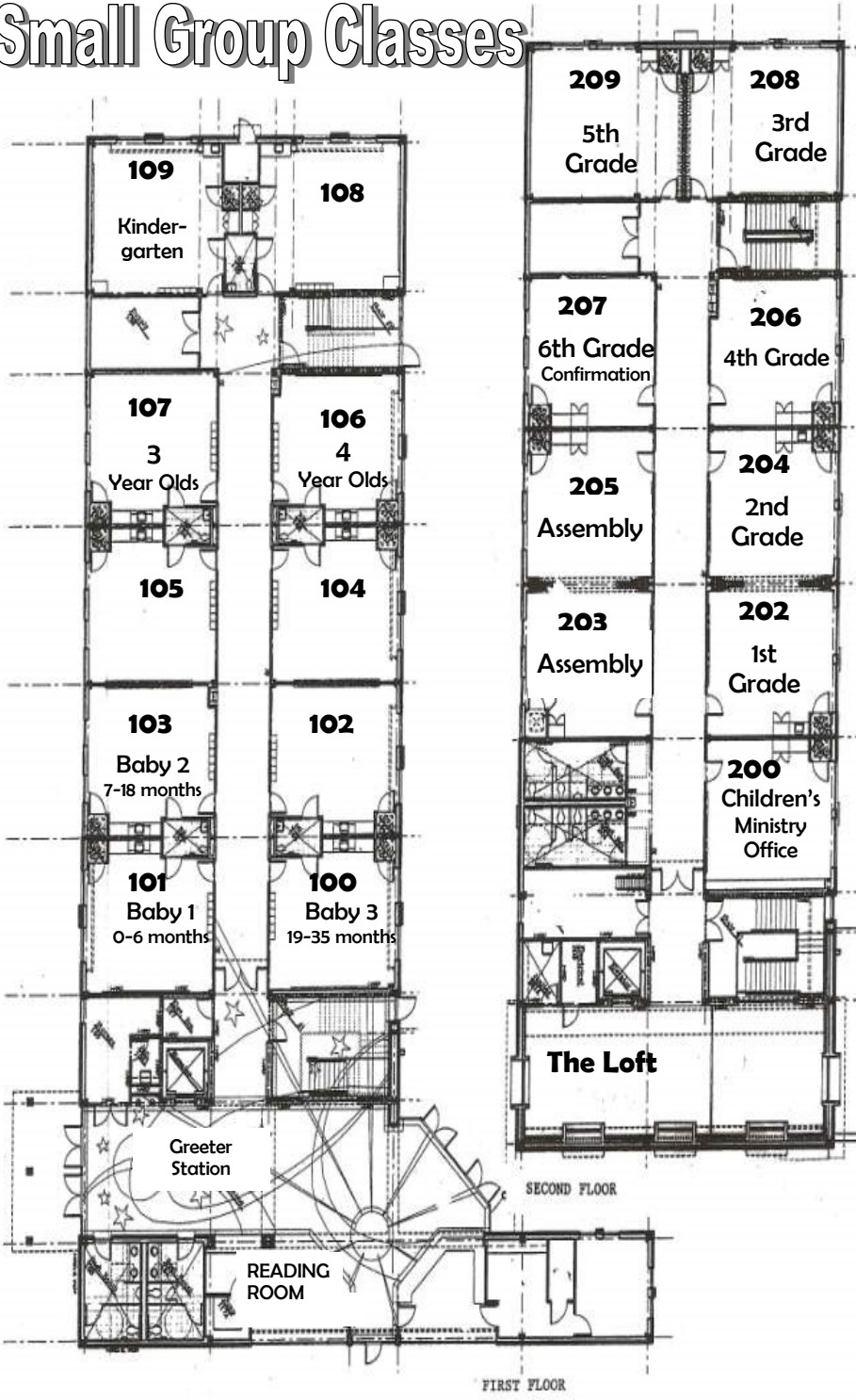
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Small Group Classes



SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILD DROP OFF AND PICK UP

- On Sunday mornings, visitors are welcomed in the lobby on the first floor of the Children's Building and directed to their appropriate classrooms.
- Nursery, pre-K, and elementary students are able to be checked in at 9:30 for the 9:45 Sunday School hour. Please accompany all children to their classes.
- **Children should be picked up no later than 10:55 a.m.** Elementary children will remain upstairs until picked up by the appropriate adult. If parents arrive later than 10:55am, children will be in the nursery.
- At pick up times, for children in the nursery through Kindergarten, adults (not older siblings) must pick up the child using the Guardian receipt.
- If there are parental custodial issues, please inform the Director of Children's Ministries.

Food

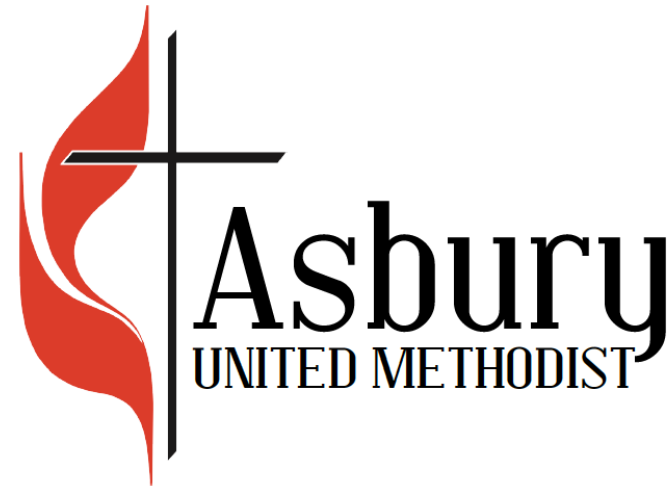
With the exception of infants in the nursery, children should not bring food or drink of any kind to Sunday School. Snacks are often provided during Sunday School. If your child has allergies or health restrictions, please inform the caregiver in his/her room.

Contact the Children's Ministry Staff

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ASBURY MISSION STATEMENT:

Growing, living and sharing with all the love of Christ.

ASBURY CORE VALUES FOR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

Accepting— We invite and embrace all people, recognizing and celebrating the presence of Christ in each person.

Engaging — We design an energizing atmosphere for kids to deepen their faith and connections with one another.

Transformative— We support one another throughout our faith journeys as we grow and share the love of Christ.

Fun — We create exciting and enjoyable environments where we don't take ourselves too seriously- knowing God is in all things!

We offer a variety of programs so families may know the stories of faith, grow in their relationship with God and have a fun and safe experience with a loving church family. We have a dedicated group of volunteers who journey with kids as their knowledge and experience of Jesus grows.

Special Programs



WELL-VERSED KIDS is a Bible verse memory program for children ages 1st-5th grade. Verses are taught during assembly and the goal is to learn 12 verses by the end of the year.

ACOLYTES Children in 3rd– 6thgrade are invited to serve their church and God by joining the Auld Acolyte Guild and becoming an acolyte for the 11:00 worship services. As an acolyte, you are part of the worship service and help prepare the space for others to meet God by bringing the Light of Christ.

SWAG, Students with Amazing Grace is our pre-teen ministry with 5th and 6th graders meeting Wednesdays from 5:45-7:45pm in the children's building. Each week we have dinner, a lesson and game for students to have fun while learning about a bible story.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL : 9:45-10:45

Are you looking for a place to get connected? Try Adult Sunday School! If you have questions about Adult Sunday school, please email Jan Cooke at Jancooke@asbury-umc.org.

Exodus

Ages: 45+ Men and Women

Location: Room 24 of Adult Wing

Style: Discussion led by class members - Bible study and related topics

Kaleidoscope

Ages: 60+ Men and Women

Location: Room 12 of Adult Wing

Style: Discussion led by class members - Bible Study and related topics

Seekers

Ages: 40+ Men and Women

Location: Room 20 of Adult Wing

Style: Discussion led by class members - Bible study and related topics

Revelation

Ages: 24-80+ Men and Women

Location: Fellowship Hall (far end of Adult Wing, closest to Johnston Street)

Style: Discussion led by Jan Cooke - Bible study and related topics

WORSHIP

The Asbury Choir leads the 11:00 worship service every Sunday and our other ensembles lead on a rotating basis. Our service times are 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. every Sunday. We serve Holy Communion every Sunday at 8:30 and in all three services on the first Sunday of each month. We also offer a nursery to parents of small children.

Spiritwind, our contemporary worship experience, meets in the Spiritwind Worship Center at 11:00 AM. This service mixes contemporary music, video elements, and traditional sacraments. This worship experience is designed to engage both your heart and your mind. Holy Communion is celebrated every week as a reminder of God working in our lives.

Contact the Pastoral Staff

Rev. John Cannon, John@asbury-umc.org

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Rev. Susan Ferguson, Sferguson@asbury-umc.org

Rev. Leah Gaughan, Leahg@asbury-umc.org

KIDS CHOIR is a program that focuses on the development of children's voices while inspiring a lifelong love of music and worship. Each lesson will combine the teaching of music skills, group singing, and active learning through games, dance, and instruments. Kids Choir is open to kids 4 year old through 6th grade. They meet from 3-4:30pm in the Children's Building each week and are led by Andrea Mouton.

Other Programming

We offer other fun events throughout the year such as VBS, movie nights, game nights, mission opportunities and special classes. Check out the upcoming events on Facebook and the website.

Questions? Contact our Children's Director, Rev. Leah Gaughan at leahg@asburyumc.org

Volunteering

Interested in investing in our children? Join the Children's Ministry team--a group of loving, faithful adults who want our Asbury kids to know Jesus! You can serve in the nursery, preschool, elementary during Sunday School hours, behind the scenes, for special events, or on the hospitality crew. There is a place for you!!



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Child Care Ministry

WORSHIP CARE

During the 8:30 & 11am Worship Services we offer loving nursery care, with trained staff, for infants 6 weeks through Kindergarten. During 9:45am worship, children are included in Pre-school Sunday School.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45-10:45am

Infant - Age 2 Meet downstairs in the Children's Building for music, play, and lots of love.

- Baby Beginnings 1: 0 to age 6 months
- Baby Beginnings 2: 7 months to 18 months
- Baby Beginnings 3: 19 months to 35 months

3-years – Kindergarten classes meet in downstairs classrooms for our Deep Blue Bible Curriculum. Deep Blue teaches kids about God and what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

Sunday School

Small groups meet every Sunday from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. in the Children's Building. Preschool groups meet downstairs and elementary groups 1st grade through 6th grade meet upstairs.

Elementary (1st-5th) Children grades 1-5 meet upstairs for Sunday School. We begin in Assembly for the lesson introduction with the large-group and then move into small groups for deeper learning and hands on activities.

5th Grade, Leaders

While 5th graders meet with our elementary students, they take on a leadership role in assembly, reading Scripture, leading communion and praying. They also have special 5th grade only Sundays to learn new topics, play games and explore their faith together.

6th Grade, CONFIRMATION This class deeply dives in Methodist faith and Old Testament and New Testament learning. Problem-based learning allows students to discover for themselves the ways in which the doctrines, traditions, and beliefs of the Methodist faith are relevant to their lives.

