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Wednesday Evenings this Summer

We're having fun on Wednesday evenings! Children who are completing Kindergarten-fifth grade are invited to attend Heroes. Children ages 3-5 are invited to attend Veggies. Both meet on Wednesday evenings over the summer, 6:45-8:30 PM.

Play Date at Paradise Park

Children, along with a parent or other adult, can join us for some fun at the park! Meet at Paradise Park (Rt. 30, Paradise) at 10 AM on June 16. Bring a packed lunch to have a picnic! If it rains, bring an activity to do in the pavilion.

T&T Girls Service Project

On June 19, the T&T girls will be traveling to Global Aid Network's warehouse to help pack meals to send to starving people. For more information, contact Kim Anderson (717-355-2375).

The ABCs of Prayer

Helping children talk to God can be as easy as A-B-C.
By Karen H. Whiting

Adore God. Start the day by showing God love and honor. Greet God in prayer with words that show you love God and know he is wonderful. Talk about words that describe God, such as all-powerful, loving, and creative, then use those words in adoration.

Believe in God's abilities. Over breakfast, talk about God's ability to solve problems. In prayer, tell God you believe he can do everything!

Confess sins. Get your hands dirty, then wash them. Talk about how God washes our hearts when we confess sins. Have each person think about something he or she did that hurt someone, then ask for forgiveness.

Delight in God and his Creation. Romans 1:20 teaches that when we look at what God made, we learn about God. Take a nature walk and thank God each time you stop to look at something he made.

Express the need for God. In humility seek the truth of Christ's words in John 15:5: "Apart from me, you can do nothing." Talk to your

child about why you need God. Ask your child why he needs God. Together thank God for always being with each of you.

Focus on one need. There is no need to rush through a wish list of all the problems you want God to solve—he already knows. A mind crowded with problems will feel stressed. For today, think of the need weighing on you the most. Let God give you peace about that one problem.

Give thanks to God. Help your child think of the blessings in her life and thank God for each one. Write them in a journal. This helps develop an attitude of gratitude.

Humor lightens the heart, so tell God the funny things that happen, too. Look back and find the funny side of frustrating moments and laugh. God, who created monkeys and cuckoo birds, likes to laugh with us.

Invite the Holy Spirit to guide each of you. Take your child on a

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We're off to Cosmic City!

This year's Vacation Bible School (VBS), Cosmic City will meet each evening (6:00-8:30 PM) during the week of July 12-16. During VBS, our "space voyagers" will join Cosmic City Tours on a journey through a floating space city. In every corner of Cosmic City, God's wonder will dazzle their hearts and minds. Children will experience God's awesome power with Bible stories at Deeper Space, rocket beyond our atmosphere with games at Asteroid Alley, create memorable crafts at the SuperNova SuperMart, touch and feel the wonder of God at Wonder U., and fuel up with snacks at The Shooting Star Drive-in.

Children age 3 through those who have completed 6th grade are invited to attend. To register, complete the "Cosmic City Registration Form" that is available at the summer display in the church lobby or call the church.



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Extreme Challenge Summer Camp

This overnight camping adventure is for children who have completed 3rd-6th grade. At camp, children will participate in incredible games, swimming, and other indoor and outdoor activities (including go carts!). They will experience fun times in small groups, in exciting worship, and in learning challenges from God's Word. To register and for more details, pick up a copy of "The Extreme Challenge" brochure that is available at the summer display in the church lobby. The registration deadline is July 27.

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blindfolded walk, guiding him around obstacles. Discuss how God sent the Holy Spirit to guide us around problems, including ones we may not even see.

Journal as a form of prayer. Let your children write or draw a prayer. Encourage them to write whatever God puts in their minds. Have younger children tell you what they want to say and record their words for them.

Keep knocking. Read about the poor widow who kept knocking in Luke 18:1-8. Make a doorknob hanger with a prayer request on it and tell your child to pray about that

request every time he sees the hanger.

Love God and express that love in words. Expressing love for God and remembering his love helps us look beyond our problems and hold on to his promises. As you pray, fold your arms across your chest as though you are hugging—and being hugged by—God.

Mean what you say. Honesty is important in any relationship, especially your relationship with God. Read Psalm 102 and talk about how it's okay to tell God how we feel, even when we are sad or angry. Practice being honest with God as you pray.

Never give up, but persevere in your prayers. If you've got an unanswered prayer, continue taking it to God. If you're dealing with a difficult situation, ask God to give you the strength to deal with it. Trust that God will answer your prayers in his way and in his time.

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What a Blessing!



Did you know that our Sunday morning PreSchool classrooms are bursting at the seams? God has blessed us with lots of young children who are excited to learn about Jesus! What a blessing!

Would you like to get involved in sharing God's love with these little ones? Because of the growth of these classes, there are many opportunities for you to get involved. You can serve as a Bible teacher, a Craft leader, or an assistant. You can serve one or two times per month, during either church service or during Sunday School. For more information, contact Heather Ensslen.

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	1	2	3 Heroes and Veggies, 6:45 PM	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Heroes and Veggies, 6:45 PM	11	12	13
14 Summer Reading Program Begins	15	16 Play Date at Paradise Park, 10 AM	17 Heroes and Veggies, 6:45 PM	18	19 T&T Girls Service Project, 7:45 AM	20
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