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2024

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Let everything that has breath
kidsPRAISE
the Lord! Psalm 150:6

Parent + Volunteer Handbook

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Welcome

TO ANASTASIA KIDSPRAISE!

We're so excited that your kids are joining us!

Anastasia KidsPraise, our midweek worship + arts ministry, equips children aged three years through 5th grade to offer their talents, gifts and skills back to God as an act of worship. We're led by a team of staff and volunteers whose passion is children and whose vision is to partner with parents and families to help your child discover and embrace a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and become lifelong worshipers of God through music, arts and media.

We meet Wednesday evenings during the school year from 6 - 7:15 pm at Anastasia Church on the Island. A full calendar can be found further in the handbook and on our website.

Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

Children's Ministry Team / Anastasia Church on the Island

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KIDSPRAISE CHECK-IN + DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

ALL AGES REMINDERS:

- Because most ministries on campus have aligned in the 6 -7:15 pm window, we no longer offer extended care. If you are attending a Bible Study, please pick up your PreK+K kids by 7:15 pm then go to the Atrium to retrieve 1st-5th graders.
- If you forget your Pick Up Card, please visit the KidsPraise Connect Table and you will be asked to show identification that matches a name on the child's registration form as an approved adult to pick up that child.

Preschool and Kindergarten / 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Your classrooms and check-in/pick-up procedures have not changed from past years. A parent or guardian will check in and pick up children from their classrooms. We are ready to receive children at 5:50 p.m. but no earlier.

- 3-year olds: Building A/ Blue Door
- 4-year olds: Building B / North Yellow Door
- Kindergarten: Building B / South Yellow Door

Parents will be required to present the Pick-Up Card with their child's name on it in order to retrieve your child.

First thru 5th Grades / 6:00 - 7:15 pm

CHECK-IN

All 1st-5th grade children will check in alphabetically by last name in the Atrium. Groups will be A-G (pink), H-M (green) and N-Z (orange). They will receive their name tags and go directly to the CLC where they will be seated by elective class. Parents do not go into the CLC or to classrooms.

DISMISSAL

Every week, all 1st-5th grade children will be dismissed from the CLC. Groups will be the same as check-in: A-G (pink), H-M (green) and N-Z (orange). Starting at 7:15 pm, parents give their Pick-Up Cards with their child's name on it to a volunteer in order to retrieve their child. KidsPraise Volunteers will then go in to the CLC to bring your child out and return your Pick Up Card to you. **PLEASE STAY NEAR THE DISMISSAL TABLE SO WE CAN EASILY FIND YOU.**

Rap Up Rally is the first Wednesday of every month and does not change pick-up procedures.

SCRIPTURE MEMORY CHALLENGE

God wants His children to know what is in His Word so that we can learn, grow strong, and live the life He created us to live. We emphasize the importance of learning scripture in all of our children's ministry age groups.

Three age-appropriate Memory Verses are announced for each age group (PreK+K and 1st-5th Grade) each semester. Please have your child memorize the verse in the translation we share.

KidsPraise Preschool & Kindergarten Preschoolers and kindergartners will receive a prize for each verse completely memorized and recited to a KidsPraise Adult Volunteer in their classroom. Children must be able to say the verse, book, chapter and scripture number without the help of an adult or other child. **Preschoolers and Kindergartners who memorize all six verses receive a special prize at the end of the KidsPraise year.**

KidsPraise 1st-5th grade When they are ready to recite that month's verse, first through fifth graders can visit the Scripture Memory Desk in the Atrium on Wednesdays from 5:45 – 6:00 p.m. BEFORE checking in to KidsPraise. Children must be able to say the verse, book, chapter and scripture number without the help of an adult or other child. Kids pick up their prizes AFTER dismissal from 7:15-7:30 p.m. at the same location. **First through fifth graders who memorize all 6 verses from both semesters will receive a Scripture Medal at the end of the KidsPraise year.**

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

We want to recognize those children whose families make attendance a high priority.

Each month, we'll track attendance and kids who attend each Wednesday of that month will be recognized at the next month's Rap Up Rally and receive a prize.

At the end of the KidsPraise year, kids who have earned at least FOUR of the SIX potential monthly attendance prizes will receive a special prize!



SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSES

PreK+K SPRING 2024

May be recited on Wednesday evenings January 24th-May 1st

VERSE 1 / January-February

“I praise You because I am fearfully
and wonderfully made.”

Psalm 139:14 / NIV

VERSE 2 / March

“Worship the Lord with gladness.
Come to Him with songs of joy.”

Psalm 100:2 / NIV

VERSE 3 / April -May

“Show me your ways, Lord,
teach me your paths.”

Psalm 25:4 / NIV

*Three's, Four's and Kindergarten recite verses in their classrooms when they arrive
and receive their prizes there as well.*



SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSES

1st-5th Grade SPRING 2024

May be recited on Wednesday evenings January 24th-May 1st

VERSE 1 / January-February

“God is our place of safety. He gives us strength. He is always there to help us in times of trouble.”

Psalm 46:1-2 / NIRV

VERSE 2 / March

“Don’t worry about anything. No matter what happens, tell God about everything. Ask and pray, and give thanks to Him. Then God’s peace will watch over your hearts and your minds.”

Philippians 4:6-7a / NIRV

VERSE 3 / April-May

“Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.”

Psalm 25:4-5 NIV

First-5th graders recite their verse JUST PRIOR TO and DURING check-in at the South End Welcome Desk. Prizes will be picked up AFTER dismissal by visiting the same location.



**SPRING 2024
CLASSES + LEADERSHIP
3s, 4s + K (Pre+K)
6-7pm**

5:45 pm

Children of volunteers: Pre+K children may be delivered to their classrooms. 1st-5th grade kids check in with their secretaries, retrieve nametags and go into the CLC to their elective class seats. Please check with your child's secretary each week for flyers being sent home.

PreK+K KidsPraise Coordinator: Hannahlee Goedelman

<p>THREE-YEAR-OLDS Bldg A (Blue door)</p>	<p>6-7 PM / 6-7:15 PM for on-campus parents in a ministry Co-Director: Mandy Murdock Co-Director: Allie Patrou Adult Assistant: Kristin Johns Adult Assistant: Carrie Sullivan Secretary: Ronda Wages Youth Helper: Anna Curtin</p>
<p>FOUR-YEAR-OLDS Bldg B (North yellow door)</p>	<p>6-7 PM / 6-7:15 PM for on-campus parents in a ministry Director: Lindsay Livingood Adult Assistant: Teresa Petrilli Adult Assistant: _____ Adult Assistant: Laurel Wallace Adult Assistant: Taylor Nicolosi Secretary: Sue Grasso Youth Helpers: Elizabeth Curtin, Emma Valentin, Zoe Turley</p>
<p>KINDERGARTEN Bldg B (South yellow door) & Bldg F (North purple door)</p>	<p>6-7 PM / 6-7:15 PM for on-campus parents in a ministry Director: Michelle Vijgen Adult Assistant: Erin Ginn Adult Assistant: Ouida Howell Adult Assistant: Michelle Hurley Adult Assistant: Kristle Jones Secretary: Stephanie Whaley Youth Helper: _____</p>

Radio Emergency Communication

Hannahlee Goedelman – Bldg. A Stephanie Whaley – Bldg. B

Pre + K Dismissal Plan

- 7 pm – All kids dismissed from their classrooms with the following exception – Kids whose parent is on campus serving in or attending a ministry can be picked up at 7:15 pm

Parents with children in both Pre+K and elementary are asked to pick up Pre+K first

ELECTIVE CLASSES	6-6:40 PM	
ARTS & CRAFTS Bldg. F (south purple door) Class Size: 20	Co-Director: Co-Director: Adult Assistant: Adult Assistant: Youth Helpers:	Teresa Andrews Kim Storms Kimberly Craig Elisha Alexander (sign holder) Ava Quintieri, Maya Sisk
DRUM CLASS Bldg. C (Teal doors) Class size: 20	Director: Adult Assistant:	Evan Nicolosi Eric Curtin (sign holder)
FISHING 101 CLASS Bldg. F (middle purple door) Class size: 10	Director: Adult Assistant: Adult Assistant :	Donna Frantz Glenda Thompson (sign holder) Jon Thompson
BEGINNING GUITAR (3rd-5th) CLC 306 Class size: 8	Director: Adult Assistant:	Johnathan Scott Arden Baugher (sign holder)
HELPING HANDS CLC 302 Class size: 20	Director: Adult Assistants: Adult Assistant: Youth Helper:	Jane Johnson Tracy Helms, Vera Parenti Mary Melfi (sign holder) Rilynn Doerr
JAZZ Bldg. F (Keyboard Room/Purple Doors) Class size: 12-14	Director: Adult Assistant: Adult Assistant:	Adelaide Pacetti (youth) Bonnie Booth (sign holder) Diane Nettles
LEGO CLC 300 & CLC 301 (Game Room) Class size: 20-30	Director: Adult Assistant: Adult Assistants: Adult Helper:	Christy Valentin Andrew Hurley (sign holder) Emily Lord Joseph Colsant
REC + GAMES CLC Class size: 25-30	Director: Adult Assistant: Adult Assistants: Youth Helper:	Doug Stauffer Jonathan McClure (sign holder) Caitlyn Ginn, TJ Jones, Jacky Nero
WOOD WORKING Bldg. F (Purple doors) Class size: 12	Director: Adult Assistant: Youth Helper:	Mac Gamache Cheryl Norman (sign holder) Kinslee Turley

Radio Emergency Communication

Eric Curtin - Bldg C Mac Gamache - Bldg F Donna Nicolosi - 3rd floor
 Jonathan McClure - CLC Stephanie Styles & Becky Yeoman - Atrium

1st and 2nd GRADE REHEARSAL CLC 302 <i>Do a head count, not attendance</i>	Director: Adult Assistants: Youth Helpers:	Polly Andrews Elisha Alexander, Andrew Hurley, Mary Melfi, Jon & Glenda Thompson, Tracy Helms Kinslee Turley
3rd GRADE REHEARSAL CLC 301 / Game Room <i>Do a head count, not attendance</i>	Director: Adult Assistants: Youth Helpers:	Donna Nicolosi Bonnie Booth, TJ Jones, Caitlyn Ginn & Eric Curtin Adelaide Pacetti
4th and 5th GRADE REHEARSAL CLC <i>Do a head count, not attendance</i>	Director: Adult Assistants: Youth Helpers:	Tamré Bennett Arden Baugher, Kimberly Craig, Jonathan McClure, Joseph Colsant, Jacky Nero Maya Sisk, Ava Quintieri

SPRING 2024
WEEKLY SCHEDULE + DISMISSAL PLAN
1st-5th Grade

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

5:45 pm	Children of volunteers: Pre+K children may be delivered to their classrooms. First-5 th grade kids check in with their secretaries, retrieve nametags and go to the CLC to their elective class seats. Adult Monitors: Jon & Glenda Thompson
5:50 – 6:00 pm	Atrium Check-in *Kids go to CLC and sit with their elective class Recite scripture February, March & April
6:05 – 6:40 pm	Elective Classes
6:45 – 7:15 pm	1st Wednesday of the month: Rap Up Rally / CLC – all grades 2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays of the month 1 st + 2 nd grades rehearse in CLC room 302 3 rd grade rehearses in the Game Room 4 th + 5 th grades rehearse in the CLC
7:15 pm	All grades dismiss from the CLC

ATRIUM

Atrium Connection Team	Michelle Curtin, Stephanie Styles & Becky Yeoman Floater: Lindsey Fischer
Substitutes	Toni Kellerman, Patrick McCollum, Mimi Moxon, Sandra Nagy, Susan Stauffer (6-6:45), Krista Wallace (spring) & Pat Wynkoop
Atrium A-G Secretaries	Leslie Gamache & Brandy Heuts (check-in only)
Atrium H-M Secretaries	Kay Dunn & Elisa West (check-in only)
Atrium N-Z Secretaries	Abrina Fechter & Jennifer Tompkins
Scripture Memory	5:45-6 pm Reciting: Lindsey Fischer, Donna Nicolosi 7:15 pm Prize Pickup: Lindsey Fischer

PARENT CONNECTION FOR ATRIUM PICK-UP

A-G (PINK)	Leslie Gamache & Donna Nicolosi (till Sept)/Cheryl Norman(after Sept)
H-M (GREEN)	Kay Dunn & Mary Melfi
N-Z (ORANGE)	Abrina Fechter & Jennifer Tompkins

DISMISSAL ESCORTS + CHAIR TAG COLLECTORS

(Escort kids to parents, take their nametag & return pick-up cards to parents)

A-G (PINK)	Elisha Alexander, Caitlyn Ginn, Andrew Hurley, Jon & Glenda Thompson, Kimberly Craig, Ava Quintieri (Y)
H-M (GREEN)	Polly Andrews, Eric Curtin, Tracy Helms, TJ Jones, Mary Melfi, Kim Storms, Maya Sisk (Y)
N-Z (ORANGE)	Bonnie Booth, Jonathan McClure, Jacky Nero, Vera Parenti, Johnathan Scott, Arden Baugher, Adelaide Pacetti (Y)
Kids of Volunteers (CLC)	Youth: Elizabeth Curtin, Kinslee Turley

RAP UP RALLY / CLC (Elective Class leaders can stay back and clean-up)

DIRECTOR	Tamré Bennett
RAP UP RALLY	Emily Geisel, Brandon Elder
TECH	Justin Lane, Charles Rentz
CLC MONITORS	All 2nd adults and youth



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DETAILED SCHEDULE

5:45 pm	Volunteers arrive
5:45 pm	1st-5th grade children of volunteers check-in and go to CLC; PreK+K kids of volunteers to their classrooms
5:50 pm	Check-in begins for all kids
6:00 pm	KidsPraise starts
6-7:00 pm	PreK+K groups remain self-contained / Dismiss at 7 pm
6-6:40 pm	1st-5th grade elective classes meet
6:45-7:15 pm	1st-5th grade rehearsals <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 1st Wednesday of the month: Rap Up Rally and 1st-5th grade has combined rehearsal in CLC○ 2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays of the month:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1st-2nd grade in 3rd floor classroom 302• 3rd grade in 3rd floor Game Room 301• 4th-5th grade in the CLC
7:15 pm	1st-5th grade dismisses from the CLC

SEE FULL CALENDAR FOR EXCEPTIONS AND SPECIAL DATES



SPRING 2024 CALENDAR

Spring Semester / Wednesdays, 6-7:15pm (Elective Classes – 6-6:40pm)

- Wednesday, January 10th - Leadership Dinner
- Wednesday, January 17th - Kick-off / 1st night of 1st 7-weeks / Rap Up Rally
- Wednesday, February 7th - Rap Up Rally
- Wednesday, February 28th - Last night of 1st 7-weeks
- Wednesday, March 6th - First night of 2nd 7-weeks / Rap Up Rally
- Wednesday, March 13th - No KP due to Spring Break
- Wednesday, April 3rd - Rap Up Rally
- Wednesday, April 10th – Combined 1st-5th Grade Rehearsal in CLC 6:45-7:15pm
- Wednesday, April 17th – Combined 1st-5th Grade Rehearsal in CLC 6:45-7:15pm
- Wednesday, April 24th - Last night of 2nd 7-weeks / Combined 1st-5th Grade Rehearsal in CLC 6:45-7:15pm
- Wednesday, May 1st - Combined rehearsal w/ PreK+K and 1st-5th grade
- Sunday, May 5th - 1:30-2:30pm – Tech Rehearsal / REQUIRED for performing groups, solos and speaking parts
- Monday, May 6th - 5:45-7:30pm - REQUIRED Dress Rehearsal
- Wednesday, May 8th - 6pm Spring PreK+K and 1st-5th Grade Performance and last night of KidsPraise til August 2024.

TBD – Sunday performance dates for PreK+K and 1st-5th Grade

VBS June 3rd-7th, 2024

QUESTIONS

We hope we can answer most of your questions here. If not, please call us at 904.471.2166.

EXTENDED CARE As a church, we've aligned the majority of our Wednesday night ministries within the 6:00-7:15 pm timeframe. **As a result, we no longer offer Extended Care following KidsPraise. If you are attending a Bible Study, please pick up your PreK+K kids by 7:15 pm then go to the Atrium to retrieve 1st-5th graders.**

FELLOWSHIP DINNERS Family Dinner is served in the CLC starting at 5:00 p.m. \$5 for ages 12 and up; \$3 for kids aged 4-12; kids 3 and under are free. The menu changes weekly and is posted in the bulletin.

UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOR It is our goal to encourage children to grow socially, physically, emotionally, mentally, and spiritually. We want all of our children to be safe and feel safe. Any child's behavior that is harmful to himself/herself, another child, or a teacher (such as fighting, scratching, biting, and hitting) will not be allowed during KidsPraise. If unacceptable behavior does occur, the lead volunteer will talk with the child about appropriate behavior and the child will be redirected to another activity. Parents will be contacted if an unacceptable behavior persists.

VISITORS / BRINGING A FRIEND We wholeheartedly welcome visitors and friends! We are so excited when our children bring a friend. However, it is imperative that we have some sort of contact info for each child in the event of an emergency. We are asking parents of visiting children or the KidsPraise parent bringing a friend to complete a basic contact info form for each child visiting. Just stop by the Connection Table in the Atrium to get a nametag and share some basic information with us.

VOLUNTEERS At least two screened adult volunteers will be in attendance in each classroom. Typically, Anastasia Kids volunteers are required to be members or actively engaged attenders of Anastasia Church for six months before serving. All workers are required to complete a Volunteer Screening and submit to a background check.

WELL CHILD POLICY We operate a well-child environment. For the protection of all the children in our ministry, we cannot accept a child with a runny nose, fresh cold (four days or less), fever, rash, persistent cough, diarrhea or any other signs of illness. We request that you not place your child in the program while they are at risk of exposing other children. Thank you in advance for helping us to keep our Anastasia Kids program a healthy place!



Anastasia Kids, our children's ministry at Anastasia Church, offers midweek and weekend ministries for children from infancy through 5th grade. We provide your kids with a solid foundation of biblical knowledge to help them make wiser choices, build stronger relationships and develop a deeper faith. We recognize that family at home and family at church must partner to help kids embrace a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and provides tools and resources to support families at home.

We offer a curriculum designed to teach children about making wiser choices, building stronger relationships, and developing a deeper faith. Anastasia Kids Jr. offers early childhood experiences for infants through kindergartners that include interactive centers, Bible stories, songs, crafts, games, and best of all, small group time for prayer and discussion. At Anastasia Kids, first through fifth graders will experience energetic and interactive worship, engage in games and activities with new friends and have focused time with loving leaders who make sure every child knows they are important and loved by God.

Anastasia Kids on the Island / Weekend Services

9:00 am · 10:30 am Sundays

Infants thru Kindergarten / Buildings A and B

First thru 5th Graders / CLC 3rd Floor

Learn more at AnastasiaKids.com



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