

# Home Moravian Church Ages & Stages

#### Nursery

Babies and Toddlers birth up to age 4 Nursery CE Building Main Floor 9:30 – 12:00 Sunday Morning

*Faith Alive! God Loves Me Stories and SHINE Pre-School Curriculum* 

God Loves Me provides 52 storybooks designed for children ages 1-3 years old. Each book retells a Bible story in simple language that young children can understand, has a prayer, and suggestions for learning through play activities.

Stories from both the Old and New Testaments include God's creation, Abraham, Hannah, David, Simeon, Anna, Peter, Jesus' life and ministry, and Paul.

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#### Power Hour

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With both curriculum choices, children receive take home activities that match the presented story for that unit or lesson. In this way, families, and Home Moravian Church work together to nurture faith, establishing a devotional habit of Bible reading and prayer

## **Godly Play Children's Church**

Children aged 4 up to fifth grade CE106 CE Building Main Floor 10:20-11:15 Sunday Morning

Children ages 4-10 leave worship at the designated time to attend Godly Play. Children's Ministry workers escort the children to the CE building from the Sanctuary.

Godly Play is an experiential workshop model based on the Montessori method. A Bible story is presented, using pieces that the storyteller uses as the story unfolds. Children then reflect on that story using art, writing, or the story pieces.







## **Children Worship Bags**

Sanctuary Vestibule 10:00 – 11:00 Sunday Morning

Recognizing that children are active learners, and that they are fully involved in the life of this congregation, children are welcome to be a part of weekly worship. Worship bags provide an interactive Children's Bulletin along with Bible based activity sheets. Included are drawing and manipulative opportunities for children to use during worship. Bags may be left in the pew when children exit worship.

#### Power Hour Music/Children's Choir

Children aged 4 through 10 CE 104 CE Building Main Floor 11:15 – 12:00 Sunday Morning

Recognizing that children love music and participating in worship & praise, Children's Choir offers children ages 4 to 10 years old the opportunity to understand God through music and experience worship. It provides a deeper appreciation for truth communicated in an artistic context, instilling spiritual concepts through rhythm, rhyme, and repetition, locking the information in the brain for a lifetime.



Children's Choir Singing Hosanna Palm Sunday

#### **Power Hour**

Children aged Pre-K up to Fifth Grade CE105, 106, 107 CE Building Main Floor 11:15 – 12:00 Sunday Morning

Power Hour provides an opportunity for small groups to encounter Jesus each week through the study and application of God's Word. Classes are in the CE Building.

- Moravian Minis (Pre-K)
- Moravian Stars I (K-2 grade)
- Moravian Stars II (3-5 Grade)

The Follow Me curriculum provides units of study for preschoolers through fifth grade that concentrate on what it means to follow Jesus. Lessons explore what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. For each unit, children receive take home activities that match the presented story for that unit or lesson. In this way, families and Home Moravian Church work together to nurture faith, establishing a devotional habit of Bible reading and prayer.

Children in Godly Play will be picked up by their Sunday School teachers and taken to their classes at 11:15. Parents may pick them up in their classrooms at 12:00.

## Fun, Fellowship, & Service

Children aged Pre-K-Fifth Grade

Children have regular opportunities to fellowship and serve the community around them. These opportunities help children understand how important serving in their community is. Never are we more like Jesus than when we serve.

