

CCPC SPIRITUAL ROADMAP

ELEMENTARY (5-10 YEARS)

WILL...

Experiences

- Accept Jesus as their Lord & Savior; understand that as a Christian, they are a Christ Follower.
- Receive the sacrament of baptism if not already baptized.
- Feel ownership of "their" church home; connected, welcomed, needed and noticed.
- Experience a Rite of Passage (3rd grade) in a transitional class that helps kids navigate their Bible and actively participate in main worship (Big Bible/Bible Church).
- Begin participating in the Sacrament of Communion and understand its significance.
- Receive a full Bible.
- Serve with their family and peer group, including a family mission trip/retreat.
- Attend a Bible Camp.

Relationships

- Honor their parents through love and respect.
- Know 5 adults in church and feel comfortable having a conversation with them.
- *By upper elementary grades, trust 1-2 adults in the church with personal concerns.
- Know the Children's Director, Pastor, and core ministry leaders.
- *By upper elementary grades, begin to develop a relationship with the youth ministry team.
- Have 2-3 peer-age friends at church they look forward to seeing each week.
- *By upper elementary grades, consider 1 friend in the church to be a 'best' friend.
- View a parent or close relative as a strong spiritual hero.

Biblical Knowledge

- Understand the layout of the Bible: 2 Testaments, 66 Books, Different Genres
- Find books in the Bible & be able to tell if a book is in the OT or NT.
- * By upper elementary grades, name in order all 66 books.
- * By upper elementary grades, know the chronological order of Bible stories.
- Know many stories from the Bible and retell the stories in their own words.
- See connections between stories and put Bible stories in chronological order.
- Know that Jesus' life, death and resurrection is the key message of the entire Bible, including the OT.
- Commit Scriptures to heart.

Spiritual Habits

- Consistently participate in Sunday worship and midweek CCPC kids programming, transitioning from Kid's Worship to main worship around 3rd grade.
- Begin to talk to God like he is a friend in their prayers.
- Learn to pray out loud.
- Participate in family devotions (Bible reading and prayer).
- * By upper elementary ages, read some Bibles stories independently.
- Expand their understanding of generosity from sharing to giving a portion of their money and time.
- Serve in the church.
- Invite friends to church.
- Comfortably express questions or doubts to a parent or other spiritual mentor.

Behaviors/Worldview

- Demonstrate interest in being a follower of Jesus and learning more about the Christian faith.
- Be inquisitive about faith and God.
- Model being brave and kind, with God's help.
- Develop an understanding for healthy technology behaviors and respect boundaries parents have set.
- Understand their identity is in the image of God and it is good.
- Begin to see their body as a temple of the Holy Spirit.