



Acorns and Oaks
Newsletter for Oak Grove Baptist Church
Preschool and Children's Ministries
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A Note from the Pastor

Have you ever seen an angel? Have you ever wondered what one would look like? The Bible tells us in Matthew 28 about an angel who spoke to people looking for Jesus on the first Easter morning. He was sitting on a rock and this is what he looked like. Verse 3 states, "His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow." Can you imagine how beautiful the angel was? And this is what the angel said, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said."

The angel didn't want them to be afraid because Jesus is alive. The angel had good news!

Do you know Easter is a great time to celebrate the good news that Jesus is alive and He loves you very much!

I hope to see you on Easter. Have a great day!



Pastor Todd

Coming Events!

Friday & Saturday, April 28, 29
 Associational RA race and sleepover

Sunday, May 7
 Sunbeam Singers and Children's Choir programs

Weekly Activities

- **Sunday School – classes for all ages. Sunday 9:45 a.m.**
- **Jericho Junction (K thru 6th grades) and Children's Church (3 years thru 5 years) Sunday 11:00 a.m.**
- **Nursery – birth thru 2 years (all activities)**
- **Children's Choir (grades 1st thru 6th) and Sunbeam Singers (3 years thru Kindergarten) – Wednesday 5:45 p.m.**
- **Children's Missions Organizations – GA's (girls grades 1-6), RA's (boys grades 1-6), Mission Friends (ages 3- Kindergarten) Wednesday 6:30 p.m.**

Mystery Message Scavenger Hunt!
Clowns!
Easter Bingo!
Photo Booth!
Craft!
Prize Eggs!

You are Invited!
Preschool and Children's Easter Egg Hunt
 Registration starts at 1:00 p.m.
 Saturday, April 8
Bring your friends!

Preschool Sunday School

Sunday 9:45 a.m.
ages 3 years thru 5 years

The children will hear music playing as we start the morning with snacks and prayer.

During April the children will learn Jesus is the Son of God.

The weekly lessons and Bible verses will be:

Jesus entered Jerusalem. Bible verse, "This is Jesus." Matthew 21:11

Jesus is Alive! Bible verse, "Jesus is Alive." Matthew 28:7

Thomas saw Jesus. Bible verse, "Jesus is the Son of God." John 20:31

Jesus helped the Disciples. Bible verse, "Jesus said, "I love you." John 15:9

Jesus returned to Heaven. Bible verse, "Jesus went up into heaven." Acts 1:9

The children will watch a video of the lessons. We will end with a craft, coloring sheet and our weekly Bible verse.

See you Sunday!

Miss Cathy



Mission Friends

Wednesday 6:30

ages 3 years thru Kindergarten

Join us each week as we learn about missionaries around the world and how they tell other boys and girls about God and how much He loves everyone. We will sing, laugh, do fun activities and learn about God's amazing love.



Sunbeam Singers

Wednesday 5:45
ages 3 years thru Kindergarten

The Sunbeam Singers are working hard on songs for their spring musical. The songs are about Noah and the ark. They are enjoying the songs and especially singing the colors of the rainbow.

Come see them in action for their program on Sunday, May 7 at 6:00.



Children's Church

Sunday 11:00 a.m.
ages 3 years thru 5 years

April will be a special month during Children's Church. The children will hear about Jesus and learn He is the Son of God. The teachers will use the lesson pictures as the children discover how Jesus entered Jerusalem, Jesus is Alive, Thomas saw Jesus, how Jesus helped the Disciples, and Jesus returned to heaven.

The children will make fun craft projects, sing and play their instruments as they learn about Jesus.

We look forward to having your child in Children's Church.

Miss Cathy

Children's Sunday School

Kindergarten thru 6th Grade
Sunday Mornings – 9:45

During April we will be studying from the New Testament and the Old Testament. Our lessons at a glance are:

The Triumphal Entry (Matthew 21:1-17) Jesus is Worthy of praise.

Jesus' Crucifixion and Resurrection (Matthew 26-28) Jesus paid for my sin. He is alive!

The Book of Ezekiel (Ezekiel 1-48) God wants us to repent of our sin.

A Message for Israel (Ezekiel 37; 9:21-29) God can heal what sin has broken.

The Book of Proverbs (Proverbs 1) We should respect God.

Join us each week as we learn about Jesus – fully human and fully God.

Ms. Elaine
Children's Sunday School
Director

Memory verse for April:
Therefore, since we have been declared righteous by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:1

Congratulations to Lucas! He was the first to earn a prize from the prize box! Come to Children's Sunday School 4 Sundays in a row (on time) and earn a prize from the Prize Box!

Children's Choir

Wednesday 5:45

Grades 1st thru 6th

The children sounded wonderful when they sang for the worship service last month. Thanks to all the parents who brought them.

The Children's Choir is working on our spring musical, "Discipleship Adventure." We are assigning speaking parts and a few solos.

Mrs. Diane
Children's Choir Director

Girls in Action - GA's

Wednesday at 6:30 Girls Grades 1—6

Girls in Action (GA's) brings the world to the classroom each Wednesday night as we study missionaries around the world. We also learn that each one of us can be a missionary in our school, neighborhood, ball team – just anywhere we are! We enjoy doing mission projects right here in our own community. Come be a part of our group – it's a lot of fun!!

Royal Ambassadors -

RA's

Wednesday at 6:30

Boys Grades 1—6

For the last month the RA's have been studying home missions in Farmington, New Mexico and also working on our race cars. We will be having the RA sleepover/race on April 14 and 15. The theme for the sleepover is "United: Called to be One." During the sleepover we will be having fun with games, a mission study, family breakfast with the boys and the pinewood derby race. This is for all boys in grades 1-6.

Looking forward to seeing the boys there!!



Jericho Junction News

Jericho Junction is a children's ministry that meets at 11:00 on Sunday mornings. We use songs, puppets, and video to teach kids the same scripture that the parents are seeing in regular worship upstairs.

Coming up this month in Jericho:

- Palm Sunday – Jericho will be open for children who do not attend the Easter drama. We will discuss Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.
- Easter Sunday – we will make cookies and decorate them; will also teach on the resurrection
- Store on April 30th
- Encourage your children to
 - Bring their Bibles (children receive 100 Jericho dollars for bringing their Bibles).
 - Memorize Bible verses (each verse is worth 250 Jericho dollars).
 - Learn the Romans Road
- Three new children joined us this month: Haven, Peyton and Kendall.

Roman Road

- Romans 3:23
- Romans 6:23
- Romans 5:8
- Romans 10:9-10

B—Believe that Jesus died for your sins
C—Confess your sins to Him
A—Ask Jesus into your heart



Pics from this past month. Nutella and whipped cream on pancakes is the new thing I guess!!

