

## 10 Reasons to JUMP into Sunday School at PUMC!

1. Your child will gain an additional 600 hours of intentional faith building as they grow. We partner with you in your child's spiritual development.
2. Kids in Sunday School learn the stories and traditions that have sustained people for thousands of years. This is all done through a contemporary lens, celebrating how God continues to be at work in the world today.
3. At PUMC, we offer age-targeted teaching that celebrates varied abilities and learning styles.
4. Your child will make new friends, helping them to build a community of support for both good and challenging times.
5. Kids at PUMC benefit from positive adult friends and mentors who demonstrate the grace and love of God.
6. Kids in Sunday School learn and practice how to pray.
7. At PUMC, our kids learn how to "put legs on their prayers" by creating hearts that are generous and serve others.
8. Your family's participation in Sunday School makes room in your busy life to give time and attention to your deepest values.
9. Sunday School is FUN!
10. Your child will develop life-long habits of learning and growing in the love of God and love of neighbor.

*"You will be God's children... you shine like stars in the world."  
- Philippians 2:15*



# Fall Sunday School Kick-off

## September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:45am

**We have a class for you!**

**Skilled nursery care is available throughout the morning in room 208.**

**Three and Four Year-Old Class** – For children who are three or four by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. In these classes, children hear simple stories from the Bible, sing and move to Bible verses, pray simple prayers, experience the love of the church, and express wonder at God’s world. Room 101.

**Kindergarten Class and First Grade Class** – In these early elementary classes, children build relationships with caring adults who model Christian attitudes and behaviors. They sing familiar songs and learn Bible verses, hear simple Bible stories, pray together, learn to help others, and experience belonging at church. Room 102.

**Second Grade Class and Third Grade Class** – This class encourages kids to use their reading and emerging critical thinking skills to delve deeper into the Bible and begin to formulate questions about their faith. Third graders receive a Bible as a gift at the beginning of the year and learn how to use the text to nurture their growing faith and sense of community. Room 202.

**Fourth Grade Class and Fifth Grade Class** – At this age, children have the opportunity to apply the stories of the Christian faith to how they live and their relationship with God. They begin to learn more about our scriptures and about Bible times. They are encouraged to make connections between the stories and traditions of our faith and their own lives. Room 204.

**Pre-Confirmation Class (Sixth and Seventh Grade)** – This class covers an overview of the Bible, exploring key basics of faith and engaging “tweens” so that the material is memorable and relevant to their lives. This class prepares students for the confirmation process and for developing their own faith. Room 205.

**Eighth Grade Confirmation Class** – Students are prepared and encouraged to make a commitment to Christ and to their church. Students grow through a deepening knowledge of scripture, tradition, and the world around them. Class time, worship, service projects and participation in retreats are expected. Class is led by Rev. Dick Wisdom. Room 106.

**Senior High Class** – This class is open to all youth who are in 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Students deepen their spirituality as they work to apply the principles of their faith to their daily lives. Community in the classroom is emphasized as the youth grow into disciples of Christ. Room 207.

**Adults Sunday Morning Class** – We offer a variety of short-term opportunities on special topics or seasonal studies! Watch the E-news and bulletin for updates on upcoming classes. You are encouraged to drop in any time. Room 206.

Registration forms are available online at [www.plainfieldumc.com](http://www.plainfieldumc.com) or in your child’s classroom.