

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God. 1 John 3:1

For Your Calendar

- Mar. 6-8 Women's Retreat, TRFC
- Mar. 9 VBS Information Mtg., Newberg Foursquare, 7pm
- Mar. 16 3M, NFC Social Hall, 6:30pm
- Mar. 22 Baby/Child Dedication during service, 9am and 10:45am, NFC
- Mar. 25-26 No WBFpm/WBF
- Mar. 29 Palm Sunday
- Apr. 2 Maundy Thursday service, 7pm, NFC
- Apr. 5 Easter

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Preparing For VBS

Vacation Bible school is ministry done in partnership with Newberg Foursquare Church. This year's program will be Monday, June 29, though Thursday, July 2 - 9 to 11:30am.

This year we're recycling, reformatting, and reenergizing a VBS program based on the Lord's Prayer we did at NFC back in 2009. We'll need everything from snack helpers and crafters to a registration team - and of course a whole herd of adult and youth "safari guides" to take our 4-year-olds through 5th graders around to the different stations of VBS. Find out how your passions and talents combine with a VBS program for 200+ kids. Meet with VBS directors Michelle and Kim at Newberg Foursquare, Monday, March 9, 7pm.



There is still time during the first week of March to register for NFC Women's Retreat: Emmanuel - Seeking and Celebrating God's Presence in Our Everyday Lives. Enjoy a weekend with others from the Newberg community at the beautiful Twin Rocks Friends Camp, March 6-8. Check-in begins Friday at 6pm. Find some time to yourself with a beach walk or mid-afternoon nap! Go to the following link to register before March 5. <http://tinyurl.com/emmanuel2015>

Sunday Mornings at NFC

Sunday school for children age 2 through 5th grade provided during 1st service at 9am.

Nursery care for children up to age 2 during 1st service 9-10:15am. Nursery care for infants and children through 2 years is available during the 2nd service from 10:30 to noon in Room 243.

Godly Play is for children in kindergarten through 5th grade during the 10:45am worship service. Children are invited to attend during the service to Room 134.

Children's Care is for children ages 3 through 5 during the 10:45am service. Children are invited to attend during the service to Room 133.

Community Time is open for you to gather with your church family from 10 to 10:45am in the Social Hall or on the lawn, weather permitting.

3M: A Place to Flourish

3M is a place to intentionally nurture your marriage and help it flourish. We believe marriage is a complex relationship that grows and deepens and is most fulfilling when God is at the center. At 3M we seek to know and follow God through all we study, discuss, and strive to live out.



Each month, we offer a full family meal for a suggested donation of \$5. Gluten-free, dairy-free, or vegetarian options are prepared upon request. No prep, no clean-up...just relax and spend time in fellowship. Free childcare for infants through grade schoolers is provided after the meal. Dessert, laughter, large-group teaching, and lively discussions are frequent parts of the evening. 3M also values creating space for you and your spouse to communicate and pray one-on-one. Contact Michelle Akins or Steve Fawver to RSVP.

This year we will use Listening Life's L.I.S.T.E.N descriptions of spiritual formation as a guide to our focus on marriage and spirituality. Join us March 16 when our theme will be "Experimental - Exploring our unique gifts, personalities, and processes."

Ministry Isn't Always Volunteer Work

Beyond the highly visible and larger Sunday school and VBS programs at Newberg Friends, is a group of children's workers who have made Women's Bible Fellowship (WBF) possible to hundreds of women over dozens of years. These workers spend 8:45-11:15 each Thursday morning caring for about 35 babies, toddlers, and preschoolers. We are currently bursting at the seams with two classes and are moving to three classes to make the adult-to-child ratios smaller. This means we need more workers! WBF pays adult workers \$20 per morning. It's not a lot of money, but benefits of the job include bunches of toddler hugs and preschool giggles! If you are interested in serving Newberg-area moms, you love children and Jesus, and wish to serve with like-minded children's ministry team workers - please contact Michelle Akins.

Sunday morning volunteer positions still available at NFC in children's ministry:

- 1st/2nd grade and 3rd/4th grade lead teachers (2 times per month) - All curriculum provided.
- 2nd service nursery care volunteers.