



## Parent Information



- Sunday Service at 10 AM
- Kidventure begins regularly at 10:15 AM
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# Welcome to Kidventure!

High River Alliance Children's Ministries strive to make fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ who:

## Grow, Serve and Reach

We want our kids to **Grow** in their faith in Jesus, to **Serve** their community and to **Reach** out to those in their community and help them to love Jesus. In all of our ministries, including Nursery, Preschool Sprouts and Kidventure, we do our best to provide an environment where our kids can engage in the adventure that is the Christian faith.

### Ministry Values

1. **Child Targeted**—the teachings are age appropriate
2. **Safe**—the children are safe physically and emotionally.
3. **Relevant teaching**—theologically sound and practical with applications for everyday life and encouraging the acceptance of Christ in His salvation.
4. **Teach the Bible creatively**—new approaches that excite and stimulate learning.
5. **Intentional Shepherding**—that we as teachers, leaders and pastors are modeling authentic relationships with Christ.
6. **Fun**—this is a must!!!



### Discipline

### Classroom Guidelines

1. Quiet hands get answered.
2. Use inside voices.
3. Respect each other and your teachers.
4. Use good manners.
5. Keep your hands and feet to your self.
6. Love each other the way Jesus loves us!

If a child is misbehaving during class, they will first be given a kind warning. If the problem persists, the child will be given a time away where they will remain with the group, but will not participate in the lesson until they are ready to behave. On the third occurrence a Kidventure representative will call the parents from the service and they will be asked to remove the child from the children's ministry area for the remainder of the service.

In our preschool rooms, misbehaving is defined as excessive throwing, hitting, pushing, biting...If a child's behavior is a persistent problem or is a danger to other children, the parent will be called and asked to remove the child from the room.



## Dismissal

Kidventure ends at approximately 11:15, when the main service is wrapping up. For the safety and well being of our children, all children from Nursery—Grade 1 must be picked up by a parent at the end of the class time. Children will remain in their class with their teacher until a parent comes to pick them up. All other children will be dismissed from the classroom, so we encourage parents and children to prearrange a meeting place for after the service to ensure the safety of all our children.



## Emergency Procedures

In the event of a fire or other emergency where evacuation from the building is required, **please do not go to your child's classroom to take them from the building!!** We have evacuation procedures in place for each classroom and are committed to getting the children and teachers out of the building quickly and safely. Parents will be given instruction from the pastor leading the service, on where to meet and pick up their children outside, once the pastoral staff and teachers have every one accounted for!

## Classroom Guidelines & Discipline

As in any setting, there are guidelines and expectations of behavior for our children. We would like parents to be aware of what is expected of their child here at Kidventure and the consequences of not following those guidelines. We encourage you to take time to read this next page, with your child and help make this a fun, safe and happy place for everyone.



## Our Kidventure Program

Each Sunday the children are dismissed from the service at about 10:15AM. Newborns to 2 year olds are dismissed directly to the nursery and must be signed in and out by a parent. Children from ages 3 to pre-Kindergarten will be dismissed to the Sprouts Room and must be signed in and out by a parent. Children from Kindergarten to Grade 5 will be dismissed to an open session located in the West Wing. Kindergarten and Grade 1 students must be signed in and out by a parent. After the open session time, children are dismissed to their age appropriate classroom.

On the third Sunday of every month the Treasure Chest will be opened. This is a prize concession where kids can redeem points they earn in Kidventure by attending each Sunday, bringing their Bibles, memorizing Bible verses and bringing friends!

We have a few weekday activities and weekend evening activities that take place throughout the year for the different age groups, so be sure to check Horizons and our website for upcoming events!



## Nursery: Newborn to 2 year olds

Children in this age group, should be dropped off at the nursery following the worship time approximately 15 minutes into the service. Parents are asked to sign their child in and out after the service.



Please label all items belonging to your child; ie juice cup, diaper bag etc.

Parents are asked to return to pick up their child immediately following the service and sign their child out in the Nursery Binder.

Parents will be notified for discipline issues, and illness.

If your child is not feeling well, or showing signs of flu or other illness, please do not bring them to the nursery for that Sunday, out of consideration for the other children and their families.



If a problem arises during the service, a Children's Ministry representative will inform you after the service if they cannot reach you during the service.

In our Nursery, misbehaving is defined as excessive throwing, hitting pushing, biting. If a child's behavior is a persistent problem or is a danger to other children, the parent will be contacted and asked to remove the child from the room.

***We rely heavily on volunteers to make our programs work, so we kindly ask that parents sign up to take turns helping out in the classrooms and with other scheduled activities and events. Thank you!***



## Preschool Sprouts



This age group ranges from 3 years old to Pre-Kindergarten students and are dismissed from the service to the Sprouts room where their parents must sign them in and out. The Sprouts classroom is located west of the auditorium, down the back hallway and to the right. It is next door to the Nursery and across from the West Wing.

We kindly ask that when parents drop their children off that they introduce themselves and their children to the Preschool teachers to help alleviate any shyness and to aid our teachers in shepherding your kids!

## Kidventure!

This age group ranges from Kindergarten to Grade 5 and is dismissed from the service and into the West Wing located on the west side of the building, through the back hallway and to the left. We ask that parents of children in Kindergarten and Grade 1 sign their children in and out on the bulletin board at the entrance to Kidventure. During our large group time our kids will worship God together through singing, play, drama and teaching. They are then dismissed to age-appropriate groups where they will engage in small group discussion and sharing.

