

Lisa Sanders, Minister to Children

Ministry Statement

Children's ministry wants to form a foundation for children to build on. That foundation is framed with truth, and Christ's unconditional love for us all. These are very formative years, and we want them to have a clear understanding of Christ's love for them, how they need Him, and how He wants to relate to them. Out of that understanding comes how we relate to one another, with the same mercy, grace, love, and hope that we find through our faith in Christ.

We share God's story of truth in the Bible stories they are taught, teaching them about God's faithfulness, compassion, love, forgiveness and power to restore and transform us to look more and more like Him. It shows in how we **care for one another** and **reach out to others** so they have a sense of belonging and a **desire to know Jesus**.

We want children to know that God values them and others the same, and has a wonderful plan for them. Our purpose is to bring Glory and Honor to God, and it is demonstrated through how we **live, love** and **relate** to one another.

We will balance our ministry with the following opportunities for kids to grow in their....

Friendship with Christ

Friendship with Others

Open Friendship for the sake of the World

Ministry Model

Goal is to help Children live out the Greatest Commandment and provide an environment in which they will grow spiritually.

“Love the Lord your God with all your Heart, Mind, Soul and Strength” Mark 12:3

Soul = Spirit

Heart = Emotions

Mind = Intellect

Strength = Physical/Practical Application

Theologically, it is the Holy Spirit who initiates a relationship with us...even giving us the faith to believe. His work is initiated in our inner most spirit, and from that point begins to impact the rest of our being, typically moving from spirit to emotions, from emotions to mind, and from mind to our physical being and life application.

Spiritual Formation of

Leaders

1. Nurture the teachers in their ministry area, relational, prayer, spiritual growth etc.
2. Training of new teachers
3. Annual Training for all teachers

Children

Provide Biblical teaching and relationship building opportunities

1. Accept the gift of Salvation
2. Grow in their relationship to Christ and Others
 - i. Worship
 - ii. Prayer
 - iii. Study God's word
 - iv. Obedience
 - v. Servant hood
 - vi. Relationship Building Opportunities
 - vii. Discipleship

With the parable in mind of the differing soils and only the well tilled soil was prepared to receive the gospel message and was able to grow and bear fruit up to a hundred-fold harvest. (Matthew 13: 3-8; 18-23)

1. Intentionally help children till and prepare their **spirit** to be receptive to God.
2. Intentionally help children till and prepare their **emotional-self** so that they may form a healthy relationship with God and with one another.
3. Intentionally help children till and prepare their **minds**, with the renewing of their minds, so that they can think and reason according to the Scriptures
4. Intentionally help children till and prepare for **life application and ministry service**

I would like to introduce our Ministry Staff Leaders and our Leadership Team:

Ministry Staff Leaders

Children's Pastor: Lisa Sanders

Nursery: Dayna Stark and Lisa Weir

Preschool: Pam Broyles and Crys Read

Bible Zone Live: Christie Wire

Dig: Tiffany Dorris

Sunday school Teachers

Children's Church Crew Leaders

Leadership Team

Team building in leadership

1. Goal is to pray together and ask God to lead us.
2. Bring leadership to their assigned area.

3. Build a team to help them accomplish their goal.
4. Help Children's Ministry to function effectively.
5. Bring new ideas and creativity.

Safety and Security = Chris Querry

Mission = Carri Orth

Parenting = Stephanie Grant

Medical = Brett Krablin and Debbie McCulloch

Resource Room = Laura Jergensen and Becky Bell

VBS Director + Curriculum Advisor = Kelly Yates

Holiday Crafts = Lanese Cummings

Teacher Appreciation = Kristin Picher

Special Events Coordinator =

Quizzing=Christina Stewart

Friendship with Christ=

Friendship with each other= Jenni Rowland

Friendship for the sake of the World= Debbie McCulloch

Worship and Wonder= Suzanne Strawn

Social Worker= Greg Dimond

Advisors= Kameron and Amy Hill; Mandy Garrison