

kidspot

We consider parents to be the primary spiritual educators of their children. Our role as the church is to support you in the process. To facilitate their spiritual growth we offer children:

- **Large group teaching**
- **Small group fellowship**
- **Service opportunities and**
- **Worship experiences**

We strongly encourage parents to direct their gifts and talents toward enriching the ministry experience for children. Ways to get involved:

- **Small group leading**
- **Teaching**
- **Worship leading**
- **Greeting visitors**
- **Crafts**
- **Admin./organization support**
- **A/V tech support**
- **Sewing**
- **Drama/musical production**

Contact Cynthia or check out the website to view current opportunities.

http://www.socc.org/outreach/service_ops_1.html

“I don’t know what your destiny will be, but one thing I do know: The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve.”

Albert Schweitzer

have questions?

Contact Cynthia Parkes, Director of Children’s Ministry for more information:

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Visit **www.socc.org** for the most up-to-date information on events, programs and other news.

the kidspot at socc

"And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men." Luke 2:52

In the K/1 Spot and the Hot Spot (Elementary 2nd-4th) we build on the preschool goals of understanding:

- **God made me**
- **God loves me, and**
- **Jesus wants to be my friend forever**

Interspersed with the gospel message, we use the 252Basics curriculum to teach 3 basic truths:

- **I need to make the wise choice**
- **I can trust God no matter what**
- **I should treat others the way I want to be treated**

Each week our environments seek to:

- **Make it stick**
Identify basic truths to remember
- **Make it big**
Everything reinforces the main point
- **Make it flow**
Engage them strategically
- **Make it real**
Share personal stories as role models
- **Make it fit**
Give them a clear and easy next step

5th Grade

Experienced leaders teach 5th graders at 9:30, addressing preteens' unique spiritual and developmental issues. Fifth graders join the Hot Spot at 11:00.

Locations

K-1 - Room B120

Hot Spot - Gymnasium

5th Grade - Room 155

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity." 1 Timothy 4:12

midweek activities

Children's Choirs

Believe it or not, kids love to sing and act. Every year, our choirs grow as more families see their incredible musicals and presentations and want to be a part of them. We practice on Wednesday nights from 7:00 to 8:p.m. Anyone can join, and all will have fun.

Productions are generally done in December and May, but come on Wednesdays and learn the specifics for each group.

- **His Kids Choir**-Grades 1-5
- **PraiseMakers**-Preschool & Kindergarten
- **Band of Angels**-2's & 3's

RC KID'S

For children whose mothers are part of Roof Crashers on Friday mornings, SOCC offers a ministry called RC KID'S. The children have a chance to worship, learn and of course, play. Roof Crashers and RC KID'S meet from 9:00 am to 11:15 am on Fridays. For more info, see the Women's Ministry brochure.

special needs ministry

We want all children to have a warm and welcoming place where they can learn and grow. To help make that a reality, we:

- **Offer a class** during the 9:30am worship service for children with special needs ages 3 to 6th grade. It is staffed by highly qualified volunteers, many of whom are Special Education teachers and therapists.
- **We offer a buddy system** for children who just need a little extra help to participate in a classroom with their peers.

If there are other ways we can help support you and your special needs child, please contact Kristen Weida (kweida@gmail.com).

children's events

Hilltop Christian Camp

Hilltop offers day camp for kids who have completed kindergarten and 1st grade, three day camp for completed 2nd and 3rd grades, and week-long camp for kids who have completed 3rd through 5th grades. The camp setting offers an opportunity to spend focused time on developing a personal relationship with God. Many kids (and adult leaders) would say it's a life changing experience!

Operation Christmas Child

Each November at SOCC, we collect gift-filled shoeboxes for a service project called Operation Christmas Child (OCC). OCC gives the shoeboxes to needy children in the world as Christmas presents. Feel free to find bargains during the year to add to your shoeboxes. You can bring your boxes and/or extra gifts to the church office anytime. Call 334.0206 if you have any questions.

UPWARD Sports Leagues

Whether you're interested in soccer for ages 4 through 3rd grade or basketball/cheerleading for K-6th grade, we have a ton of fun teaching children skills for the games. With a one-hour practice during the week and a game on Saturday.

joining God's family

Joining God's Family

Is your child beginning to ask questions about what it means to be baptized? This four week class designed for parents and children to take together will help you answer their questions. The teacher acts as a facilitator as parent and child study what the Bible says about salvation and baptism. The next class will begin March 30. Contact Cynthia Parkes (cparkes@socc.org) for more information.