



THE PULSE

A Monthly Look Into Ministry at CPC

Ministry Moments

The Coffeehouse at The Commons has been open to the public on weekdays from 9:00am to 3:00pm for the past several months. In that time, many people, both from within CPC and outside the church, have discovered it as a great place to meet a friend for coffee, get work done, study, or gather with a few friends for lunch after ministry events.

Katie Tracy, The Commons Coordinator, has also enjoyed seeing young moms come in for coffee before meeting together with their children in the kids play area. "I think they feel cared for by having something as simple as a cup of coffee to fuel their day," she noted. "I'm looking forward to more opportunities like this that will come with time."

As individuals and small groups utilize The Coffeehouse, she said, "It's exciting to see how God is using this space to deepen relationships within our church family and enable opportunities for new connections with our community."



CPC Children Learn About God's Provision & Care

by Lynn Norfleet

On Sunday mornings during CPC's 9:00am worship service, children from age 2 through third grade fill every downstairs classroom, learning from God's Word and singing and playing together. This past year, they have been learning about God's care for his people as he rescued them from slavery in Egypt and wandered in the desert. This month, they will begin a new series about Joshua, the promised land, and God's provision for his followers who struggled in the midst of trials and sin.

Sunday School groups include: Kindling (2 years to Pre-K); Spark (Pre-K-1st grade); and Ignite (2nd-3rd grade.) "Our leaders: Beth Perry, Lisa Shirley and myself; and adult shepherds nurture children through age-appropriate lessons and small group discussions," said Children's Ministry Coordinator Melissa Tarantino. "We also offer nursery care upstairs for infants and toddlers, led by Sheriden Newlin."





CPC Up Close

Terry Stanfill

One of the most versatile “behind the scenes” staff members at CPC, Terry Stanfill has been the church’s office administrator for the past 16 years. In addition to answering phone and email inquiries and scheduling all of the spaces at the church campus and The Commons, Terry handles the multitude of tasks that are vital to the effectiveness of any office.

“I think I have done about every administration job at CPC at some point,” Terry said. “I love multitasking and being able to switch to whatever is needed at the time to assist the staff and our church family. Plus, I have learned so many things and truly grown spiritually working here all these years.”

Terry and her husband, Curt, who can often be found behind the soundboard at CPC’s worship services and ministry events, have been attending the church for 23 years. They were drawn here by the warmth of the people and the youth ministry for their two children. In addition to spending time with her family, which now includes three grandchildren, Terry is a caregiver for her mother, who lives in the area.

CPC Children Learn (cont.)

During the 10:30am worship service, children ages 4-3rd grade are dismissed before the sermon and led downstairs for a “mini church service” designed just for them called KidsChurch. The service, led by Lisa Shirley, includes a call to worship, time for prayer and praise, and a lesson that covers important questions of faith. In the fall and spring, the ministry also offers KidsClub, a Sunday evening program led by Ellie Schertz that features fun games and fellowship at the same time many Lifeline groups meet at the church.

Now, the ministry is gearing up for Vacation Bible School (VBS), which will be June 3-7. This year’s theme is “Get in the Game,” and in addition to lots of games, there will be an obstacle course, escape room, crafts, Bible stories, music, and more. Registration is open now for ages four through just finished third grade at the following link: <https://cpc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/18/responses/new>

“We feel privileged to spend time with CPC kids,” Melissa added. “Our mission is to help children see how great God is, how much he loves them, and to help them understand the grace we have in Jesus.”



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