

Children's Ministry Newsletter

April 2026



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, April 2nd: NO M&Ms due to WCSD Spring Break
Holy Thursday Worship, 7pm (Nursery Care Available)

Saturday, April 4th: Easter Garden Party 9:30-11:00

Your family is invited to an Easter Garden Party at Church of the Master! We'll have a "Story Walk," activity stations for children to engage with the Resurrection celebration, and a bit of candy, too! Breakfast is available from 9:30-10:30, with donations to benefit the Youth Mission Trip. Free and open to the community, this is a "drop-in" event, so come and go as you wish.

Sunday, April 5th: EASTER Family Worship at 11AM

Children remain in the Sanctuary to share in the traditional liturgy and hymns, and to receive Communion. *Plan for this service to be longer than usual*, as we'll have all the typical Easter celebration fanfare, on top of regular, monthly communion. Grab an activity kit or book from the Gathering Space. (Nursery care is available.)

Thursday, April 30th: M&Ms Banquet

Join us for a "Super-sized Celebration" at our final night of M&Ms for the school year! Wear your M&Ms t-shirts for pictures. We will follow the regular schedule, but then all meet in the Sanctuary at 7pm for some final songs, pictures, and thank-yous! (finished by 7:30)

LOOKING AHEAD – SAVE THE DATES:

Sunday, 5/3: Children's Choirs and Chimes during 11AM Family Worship!

Sunday, 5/17: Acolyte Training/Recognition Sunday, 11am Worship

Sunday, 5/31: Final Dewdrops, Rainbows, U2 of the school year; volunteer teachers and youth assistants are "off" for the summer!

2026 VBS Week: June 22-26, 9am-noon each day!

Sunday, 6/28: VBS Sunday, 10 AM Combined Worship

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

VBS Volunteers Needed!

Registration opens in April, so ***we need volunteer commitments ASAP!*** The goal is always to welcome every child who wishes to participate with no enrollment "cap," and our new, one-location format should make this more achievable than ever. We still need plenty of support from both adult and youth volunteers to make this transition a success!

SPRING Acolytes Needed for March - May!

2nd-6th graders fulfill this special role during 11AM Worship. Sign up as often as you wish, but be sure your family can commit to arriving about 10 minutes early. Acolytes for the 1st Sunday each month have additional responsibilities; ask Cindy for details.

<https://tinyurl.com/SpringAcolytes>

M&Ms Meal Prep & Desserts

Volunteers of all ages can help with dinner: 2 people for set-up and 4 for clean-up each week. In addition to set-up/clean-up, you can also sign up to bring dessert! <https://tinyurl.com/Meals2026>

OTHER NOTES:

Overnight “Church Camps!”

West and East Ohio Conferences partner to provide various summer-camp opportunities for children and youth at Camp Aldersgate, Camp Asbury, and Camp Wanake. Church of the Master offers partial camp scholarships to members/children of members; contact Cindy for scholarship details. To see camp offerings and register online go to www.EOCSummerCamps.org

Join “Church of the Master Children’s Ministry” Facebook group!

This is a private group for parents of kids involved in our children’s ministry, so we can share reminders, stories and pictures! www.facebook.com/groups/chmasterchildren/