

Redemption Kids Handbook



For Parents/Guardians

WELCOME TO REDEMPTION KIDS!

Thank you for visiting us today! We are truly grateful to have you, and we hope you enjoy your time with us!

It is our desire, in being obedient to the Lord, to be a safe, fun, friendly place where kids can gather to learn about God's unconditional love for them.

We hope that you receive a great blessing from our service, and we extend a hearty invitation for you to come back again. We would love to make you part of the family!

In His Service,
Pastor Paul & Lisa & the Redemption Kids Ministry Team

Service Times & Check-in/Out

Redemption Kids Ministry is available for kids ages 3-11 (must be potty trained) during the Sunday morning 10:30am service. The Wednesday evening service at 7pm is for children ages 4-11. Check-in opens 15 minutes before each service time. We have a self check-in service on the kiosks at the Redemption Kids Welcome Desk. There will be a volunteer there to assist you if you need help. New visitors, members without a barcode, or members with a visiting child, must check-in at the Visitor Check-in room. Please check-out your children directly after service at their assigned classrooms.

If needed, the Parent's/Guardians Redemption barcode number will be displayed on the announcement screen in the main (adult) sanctuary. Please come directly to the Redemption Kids Welcome Desk if your child's number is displayed.

We do provide a light snack for your child on Wednesday nights. Please make sure our staff is aware of any food allergies your child may have so we can add that to their name tag.

Our Mission... To prepare kids to accept Christ and walk with Him for life!

Our goals... To provide a safe, fun-loving, educational environment where kids can learn about God's love for them, to get the Word of God in their hearts, to be a living example for them, and to prepare them spiritually for the transition into the youth group.

Our values... we value what Jesus values! We believe in working as a team to achieve the highest level of success for our children's ministry. That includes a spirit of excellence, loving and serving people, walking in integrity, and committing to growing in God personally. We firmly believe in offering Children's Ministry, not just babysitting. We use age-appropriate curriculum with a variety of teaching, crafts, games, activities and more to accomplish our mission!

Safety

- All volunteers have been screened and background checked.
- Our check-in and check-out procedure ensures that the correct child goes with the correct adult.
- Security is stationed in the children's hallway to ensure everyone stays safe during the service.
- All children must be accompanied to the restroom by an adult. Please encourage your child to use the restroom before coming to kid's church.

Lost, Stolen or Damaged Personal Items

The Redemption Kids ministry is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged personal items. Volunteers and children are encouraged to label all belongings brought to the church. Please leave all toys, electronics, etc. at home. Check the R Kids Welcome Desk for lost or misplaced items.

Registration Information

All parents/guardians need to register their families into our church database by completing the *Information Postcard* (located in the Visitor Check-In Room), and/or by filling out the *Information Barcode Form* (also located in the Visitor Check-In Room). Our staff updates our database periodically to ensure that all church records are current. This also allows us to get you connected to our parent emails.

Automated Check-In & Drop Off Procedures

Parents/Guardians use our computer systems located at the Redemption Kids Welcome Desk. After checking their child(ren) in, the parents should place their child's name tag sticker on or near their heart (or on the back of shirts for infants and toddlers). Parents may then walk their child to their designated class.

Pick Up Procedures

When picking up a child, the parent should go to the door of their child's room and use their barcode or visiting parent label to check their child out. The child's teacher will be waiting at the door to scan your child out and allow them to exit the classroom. Children will NEVER be permitted to leave their room without a parent/security barcode or label.

Health Policy

Our goal is to provide a healthy environment for volunteers and our children to learn, grow and play. In order to minimize the spread of infectious diseases and to ensure the health of all children, we have decided on the following procedure to allow only healthy children into the rooms. Children are considered unhealthy if they currently have any of the following symptoms, or have had in the last 24 hours: Diarrhea (3 or more loose stools in a 24 hour period), Severe coughing, Fever (over 100 degrees), Untreated infected skin patches, rashes or unidentified spots, Runny nose (unless clear from allergies), Vomiting, Difficulty or rapid breathing, Redness of the eye, obvious discharge, matted eyelashes, burning or itching, Evidence of untreated lice, scabies or other parasitic infestations, Sore throat or difficulty swallowing

If a child starts to show signs of becoming ill, then we will contact the parent/guardian and he/she needs to be picked up from the room.

Medication Policy

We are unable to administer any prescribed or over-the-counter medications to children.

Behavior Expectations

Respect God, others and yourself! No running, wrestling, or disrupting teachers, use good manners, etc.

Discipline Plan

We use the 3 strikes policy:

Strike 1: Give the child a warning if he/she is misbehaving (state the behavior that needs changing).

Strike 2: Remove the child from the activity to discuss why the behavior is continuing.

Strike 3: Remove the child from Redemption Kids church for the rest of the service. We will notify the parents/guardians to pick their child up.

(However, we will not tolerate aggressive behavior, and the parent/guardian will be notified immediately. This includes, but not limited to, fighting, biting, name calling, hitting, choking, bullying, etc.)

Communication

- Check the weekly bulletin for all upcoming events
- We will send out a One Call Now for all Upcoming Events

Check out our Redemption Kids webpage at www.rctchurch.com

Like us on Facebook at: facebook.com/Redemptionkids

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