

Faith Reformed Church

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Dear Parents and Families,

We are excited to announce that our Wednesday night 5K-5th grade ministry now bears the new name "Quest"! What, exactly, is "Quest"? In short, it's a ministry where children can discover God's truth, one question at a time.

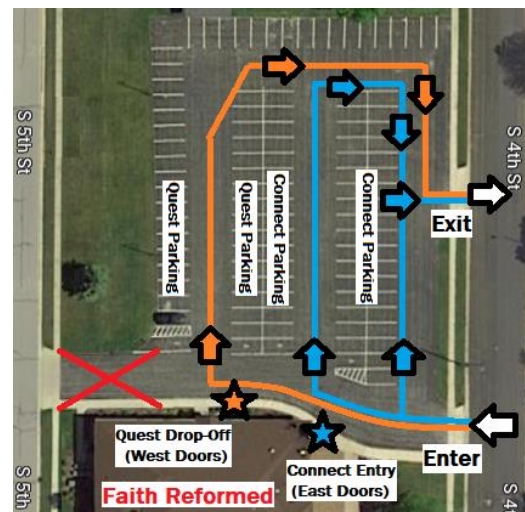
The curriculum is based on the First Catechism, which summarizes the core truths of the Bible in a kid-friendly, question-and-answer format. This year's topics include God's character, Adam and Eve, sin, and God's grace in Christ.

Each week, students will begin their adventure in the "clubhouse," where Mr. Diener (and occasionally his puppet friends Cassie and Caleb) will introduce them to a new set of key truths. From there, students will embark on a quest for God's truth through a Bible lesson, songs, games, prayer, and an activity that reinforces the lesson. Along the way, children will have numerous opportunities to commit the truths of the catechism to memory. Each unit ends with a review and recitation night, where children will play games to review the material and then will receive prizes for the answers they have memorized.

We make it our aim to forge a strong partnership between the Quest ministry and parents. There are two ways that you as parents can invest in your student's "Quest" for God's truth. First, you can attend an informational meeting at Faith Reformed to learn more about the curriculum, receive resources for continuing the learning experience at home, and ask any questions you might have. Meetings will be held **Sunday, Aug. 27 at 10:30 am** in the Sanctuary and **Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 6:30 pm** in the Great Room while students are having their first Quest lesson. (Note: you only need to attend one meeting as the content of the meetings will be identical.) A second way you can get plugged in to Quest is by attending our "parents' nights" on **December 13, 2023** and **April 24, 2024** to support your child(ren) as they review the catechism and recite what they have learned.

The format of Quest will remain the same as that of Adventure Island in the past. Large group begins at 6:30 pm and lasts until 7:00, while small groups run from 7:00-7:30. Students can arrive as early as 6:10 for check-in and games.

Since middle and high school "Connect" ministries will also be taking place at Faith Reformed Church this year, we will be taking precautions to ensure the safety of our children in the parking lot. To this end, when you are dropping off and picking up your child(ren), we request that you follow the **orange-colored route** highlighted in the graphic at right. When you pick up your children at the end of the night, we ask that you either (A) Drive up to the west doors of the church, where Emily Tarter will be standing with your child(ren), or (B) Park in the designated "Quest" zone and personally enter the building to escort your child(ren) to your vehicle.



We look forward to kicking off a new year on **Wednesday, September 6th** at Faith Reformed! You can register that night at 6:10 pm in the Great Room, send the attached form to Wendy Wonser at the address below, or pre-register online at <https://shorturl.at/qEJY2>.

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