



Families Growing in Christ Together



March Elementary News

UPCOMING EVENTS & REMINDERS

4th FRIDAY FILM & FUN

Fri, Mar 22nd from 5:30- 7:30 pm

"The Lego Movie 2"



Parents! Are you in need of some well-deserved R&R on the 4th Friday of each month (excluding June, July, November & December)?

If so, on Friday, March 22nd @ 5:30 pm you can drop your kids (1st-5th grades) off at Element for a couple hours. We will provide pizza, drinks, popcorn, candy, crafts, & a movie, while you enjoy some FREE TIME!

Please RSVP by Wednesday, March 20th @ tinyurl.com/4thFridayFilm2024.



eKids Gospel Quest
Sun, Mar 24th from 5-6:30 pm
"Celebrate & Share the Good News!"



Gospel Quest (GQ) for our **OLDERS** (3rd-5th grade) meets monthly to embark on several **Quests** together:

Bible Quest - read, dig deeper, apply, journal, & memorize God's Word

Prayer Quest - ask for prayer & offer prayer for others

Friendship Quest - build stronger relationships with others & Jesus

Fun Quest - games, crafts, and activities

Food Quest - experience different cultural foods

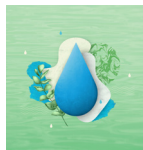
To plan accordingly, **sign-ups are required**, so if your child is interested, RSVP @ tinyurl.com/eKidsGQ by Wednesday, March 20th.



HEROES APPRECIATION DAY
Sat, Apr 20th from 10 am - 3 pm

Element proudly invites all first responders, service members, their families, & others to our Heroes Appreciation Day. Join us for fun, food and community!

Baptisms & BBQ Celebration
April 28th @ 1:00 pm



At Element we believe baptism is making a public statement about one's life and commitment to walk in the ways Jesus calls us to. If you or your child has committed to follow Jesus and is interested in being baptized, please go to tinyurl.com/Baptisms0428 by or before March 31st. We hope you will mark it on your calendars & plan to join us! More details to come.

WHAT ARE WE LEARNING THIS MONTH?

SEE ATTACHED "March Parent Sheet"

Month's Theme: "The Great Surprise"



Memory Verse: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

03/14 - Luke B. 03/18 - Camden W.
03/22 - Grand E. 03/29 - Phoebe G.
03/31 - Joel B.



Let us know if we are missing your child's birthday.

TEACHERS/HELPERS SCHEDULE

DATE	9:00 AM SERVICE	10:45 AM SERVICE
3/3	Kelly / Heather	Laurie / Debbie
3/10	Laurie / Jenelle	Angela / Bryan / Emma
3/17	Jenn / Joy	Angela / Bryan / Aaron
3/24	Carrera / Brian	Laurie / Angela / Bryan
3/31	Carrera / Jenelle	Angela / Bryan

A WORD FROM ANGELA...



What an amazing turn-out for 4th Friday Film & Fun and eKids Gospel Quest last weekend. We had 18 eKids in attendance for each event! God is good & He is moving among our young ones.

Speaking of events... If your family or child has the time, I recommend attending one or more of our All-Church, eFamily, or eKids EXTRA-CURRICULAR activities/events, like 4th Friday Film, Gospel Quest, Heroes Appreciation Day, CTV, Drive-in Movie Night, Baptisms, Trivia Night, and Pumpkin Killin' to name a few. You don't have to attend everything, but I believe that involving oneself in other activities/events outside of attending Sunday church could help build & grow faith, deeper relationships with others & Jesus, community, social skills, and confidence.

Also, if you have the time, did you know that SERVING, whether it be on Sundays or during one of our activities/events is an amazing way to increase your faith, move out of your comfort zone, connect & grow! ...and not only does it bless others, you will also be blessed. If you are interested in serving or attending any upcoming events, please contact me.



I'M HERE FOR YOU... Feel free to contact me with any feedback, comments, questions, or concerns.

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HEY FAMILIES!

This month's theme is:



Here's what we're learning:



MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. **(John 3:16)**

TRIUMPHAL ENTRY **(Matthew 21:1-11)**

Week 1

Brite Idea: Jesus is King.

He Question: What makes Jesus the King?

Jesus doesn't just rule over the Earth but over God's kingdom. He has authority over everything. One day every knee will bow down to Him.

We Question: Since Jesus is King, how does that change things for us?

We can have a personal relationship with the King of Kings. Since He has all authority, we can trust Him for salvation, worship Him with our lives, and seek to follow His ways.

JESUS WASHES THE DISCIPLES' FEET **(John 13:1-17)**

Week 2

Brite Idea: Jesus came to serve.

He Question: Why would Jesus serve others?

Jesus was a Servant-King. Even though He deserved to be served, He chose to serve others. He lived a life of love and sacrifice, putting others before Himself.

We Question: Why should we serve others?

Jesus told us to follow His example. He was the greatest of all, yet chose to serve. We can honor Him by serving others as well.

GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE **(Matthew 26:36-58)**

Week 3

Brite Idea: Jesus chose to suffer for us.

He Question: Why did Jesus suffer?

Jesus took the punishment for the sins of the world. He was our sacrifice, and suffering and pain were part of that sacrifice. He was willing to suffer because of His love for people.

We Question: Does Jesus understand our suffering?

Jesus suffered and understands our pain too. Because He was fully human, He felt everything that happened to Him. We can trust that He understands how we feel.

THIEF ON THE CROSS **(Luke 23:32-43)**

Week 4

Brite Idea: Jesus makes salvation available to everyone.

He Question: Who does Jesus love?

Jesus loves everyone in the world, no matter what they have done or who they are.

We Question: Who can go to heaven?

Anyone who believes in Jesus and trusts in Him as Savior will have eternal life.

RESURRECTION **(Matthew 28:1-10)**

Week 5

Brite Idea: Jesus is alive!

He Question: How could Jesus be alive again?

Jesus was raised to life by the amazing power of God. He has all authority over life and death. Jesus' resurrection defeated death forever.

We Question: What does the resurrection mean for us?

Sin and death have been defeated, making a way for us to be forgiven by God's grace. Because Jesus is alive, we have hope in this life and for eternity.

FAMILY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY & SATURDAY
REMEMBER & RESPOND	WONDER & DISCUSS	EXPLORE	REVIEW	PUT INTO PRACTICE	PREPARE AHEAD
<p>WEEK 1 -----</p> <p>Jesus is King. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Revelation 1:5-6 How is Jesus the King?</p>	<p>Reenact the story of the triumphal entry as a family. Discuss: What is one thing that you love about Jesus?</p>	<p>REVIEW: JOHN 3:16 Why did God send Jesus to this world?</p>	<p>Make paper crowns and have each family member wear their crown and talk about how they can follow Jesus as their King.</p>	<p>Share something kind you've done recently. READ TOGETHER: John 13:1-17 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 2 -----</p> <p>Jesus came to serve. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Matthew 25:35-40 List examples from these verses of how to serve others.</p>	<p>Take turns serving each other by playing waiter at your meals this week.</p>	<p>REVIEW: JOHN 3:16 How do we use our actions to show we believe in Jesus?</p>	<p>Think of a family member, friend or neighbor and one way your family can serve them this week.</p>	<p>Have a wall-sit contest. Who can last the longest? READ TOGETHER: Matthew 26:36-58 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 3 -----</p> <p>Jesus chose to suffer for us. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Romans 5:3-5 Why does the Bible say to "rejoice in our suffering"?</p>	<p>Choose a few story books, novels or poems where the characters suffered.</p>	<p>REVIEW: JOHN 3:16 What does the word "perish" mean?</p>	<p>Take a walk through a garden/park. Spend some time praying together.</p>	<p>Pray for your neighbors to know the love of Jesus. READ TOGETHER: John 15:12-13 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 4 -----</p> <p>Jesus makes salvation available to all. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Romans 10:13 Share how you called on the name of the Lord.</p>	<p>Look up the Roman Road: Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8, Romans 6:23, Romans 8:1, Romans 10:9 Be ready to share the gospel.</p>	<p>REVIEW: JOHN 3:16 How does knowing that God loves you change the way you live today?</p>	<p>Create a prayer wall in the house writing names of people who need Jesus. Pray for them and highlight them when they commit to Christ</p>	<p>Use clay to make an empty tomb. READ TOGETHER: Matthew 28:1-10 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 5 -----</p> <p>Jesus is alive! What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Romans 6:9 What does "death has no power over Him" mean?</p>	<p>Make a fingerprint cross using ink or paint. Pray together to give God your sins.</p>	<p>REVIEW: JOHN 3:16 What does this mean for us?</p>	<p>Share the good news! Make a list of people to call and let them know that Jesus is alive! Call them together today!</p>	<p>Practice family trust falls. READ TOGETHER: John 20:19-31 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>