Faith Reformed Church

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Dear Parents and Families,

We are excited to kick off our second year of the "Quest" ministry for 5K-5th graders on Wednesday nights starting September 4!

The Quest 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 faith; Christ's three offices of prophet, priest and king; and the Ten Commandments. The aim of Quest is for children to learn, love, and live these core truths in a grace-filled learning environment.

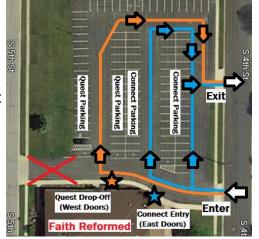
Each week, students will embark on their quest for God's truth through a Bible lesson, songs, games, prayer, and an activity that reinforces the lesson. Along the way, children will have numerous opportunities to commit the truths of the catechism to memory. Each unit ends with a special night where children will play games to review the material.

We make it our aim to forge a strong partnership between the Quest ministry and parents. There are three ways that you as parents can invest in your student's "Quest" for God's truth:

- First, you can attend our **parents' night** on **April 30, 2025** to support your child(ren) as they recite everything they've learned over the year, and to enjoy ice cream as they receive their certificates!
- Second, you can encourage your children to memorize the biblical truths they will be learning at Quest. If you haven't received one already, you should be getting a "First Catechism" booklet that contains all of the questions and answers. (Let us know if you can't find yours!) Also, all the material from the catechism has been put to song and can be found under the title "Ask Me WhoOo" in most streaming services (YouTube, Apple Music, Spotify, etc.)!
- Third, you can donate **treats** on one of the review nights (Sept. 4; Oct. 9; Nov. 6; Jan. 8; Feb. 12; Mar. 19). *Please contact Emily Tarter at 941-979-7558 to volunteer!*

As for the format of Quest, large group begins at 6:30 pm and lasts until 7:00, while small groups run from 7:00-7:30. One **change for this year** is that game time will now be from **6:00-6:30** (*not* 6:10-6:30), and *students will have the opportunity to recite their catechism answers in the church library during that time!*

Since middle and high school "Connect" ministries will also be taking place at Faith Reformed Church, 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 4**th! You can register that night at 6:00 pm in the Great Room, send the attached form to Wendy Wonser at the address below, or **pre-register online** at **https://faithcedargrove.breezechms.com/form/Quest24**.

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