

2025 Fall Service Times and Kids Discipleship Hour

PRESCHOOL

KEY TERMS

Worship Care: 8:30am & 11:15am childcare during the corporate worship service

Discipleship Hour: An intentional hour of discipleship between the services.

Preschool: Refers to children six weeks old through five years old (who are not yet in kindergarten)

FAQS

What time will everything be at?

The Worship Services are at 8:30am and 11:15am. For the Discipleship Hour, drop off will begin at 10:00am and the lesson will start at 10:15am.

When can I drop off my child?

You may drop your child off in their classroom 15 minutes prior to the start of the service.

For the Discipleship Hour you may not check in until 10:00am.

Please respect these times and do not drop off your child any earlier in order to allow our volunteers to trade off between the times without any added congestion or confusion. This will help keep our children safe, ensuring sure every child is properly checked in and out.

Do the children need to be picked up between hours?

No. During the check-in process, please select all hours that you plan for your child to be in childcare. For example, select 8:30 One year olds and 10:00 One Year Olds if you plan for your child to attend both the first service and the discipleship hour. In some cases children will be moved to a new classroom between one hour to the next, but you are not expected to check them out and move them, our volunteers will do that. You can reference your child's sticker to see which room they will be in during each hour.

What will the curriculum be like in each hour?

The daily bible lesson will come from the Gospel Project. While it is the same story between Worship Care and Discipleship Hour, it will be taught differently.

During Worship Care, children two years old through five years old will have a video lesson with musical worship and a corresponding activity page. During the Discipleship Hour, children three to five years old will have the same teachers every week teaching them a lesson with supporting activities.

There is no curriculum for babies-one year olds during Worship Care, and no curriculum for babies-two year olds during the Discipleship Hour.

Where do the five year olds go?

If your child is five and in kindergarten they will attend the Elementary Discipleship Hour. If your child turns five during the year, he/she will remain in Preschool Discipleship Hour. Five year olds who are not yet in kindergarten are also welcome into the four and five year old classroom during worship care. This is different from the past, in which children immediately began attending corporate worship when they turned five. We primarily made this change to help eliminate any confusion between which children can stay between Worship Care and The Discipleship Hour. However, we also recognize that being five does not equal the maturity of a kindergartener and hope this change helps better serve families whose child struggles with the transition to corporate worship. We do highly encourage you to use this time to slowly begin taking your five year old to corporate worship to help them prepare for when they enter kindergarten and begin attending corporate worship full time.

Will children be served snack?

Yes. We know some children will be in our care for two and a half hours and will be hungry. Children will receive a light snack of plain Cheerios during the Discipleship Hour. Please bring a spill proof water bottle or sippy cup of water each week. If a child does not have their own cup to drink from, we will provide them with an 8oz water bottle. If your child is allergic to one of the ingredients in Cheerios (oats, corn, sugar, salt) please let us know.

ELEMENTARY

WHO: The Elementary Discipleship hour is for children who are in grade school or home school, who will be enrolled in the Fall 2025 as a Kindergartener, 1st Grader, 2nd Grader, 3rd Grader, 4th Grader, or 5th Grader. Your child will stay in the same classroom for both the Fall of 2025 and Spring of 2026 (regardless if you move at a different pace in your Home School setting).

WHEN: Our Discipleship Hour will take place on Sunday Mornings in between the new 8:30AM and 11:15AM gatherings. Drop off will begin at 10:00AM (no earlier), and pickup will be at 11:00AM. **The first Discipleship Hour will begin with the schedule change on Sunday, August 17th.**

*****PLEASE NOTE:** On Sundays that we have Members' Meetings, we will NOT have a Discipleship Hour.***

WHERE: If you have come to the Elementary Discipleship Hour before, we will be in the same hallway. **The hallway is in the back of the building.** The classrooms are located in between the back corner bathrooms and the Community Room. The room assignments for both pick up and drop off will be as follows:

Room 205/207: Kindergarten and 1st Grade

Room 209/211: 2nd and 3rd Grade

Room 212: 4th and 5th Grader

CHECK-IN: Check-in will now be located at 2 different locations. We will have our primary check in point located at the front left of the building. We will also be adding an **additional check in area located near the back hallway** (across from Conference West). You are allowed to use either place to check-in any of your kids (Birth to 5th Grade). We hope these new check-in stations will be helpful for you and give you options.

****NOTE: if this is your first time checking in your kids to any kind of IDC childcare/ Discipleship Hour, you will have to use the front check-in station and talk to a Childcare Coordinator. After this first time, you will be able to use any check-in station.****