

## Faith Stepping Stones

Start children off on the way they should go and even when they are old, they will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6

Christ Lutheran Church gives your child to opportunity to growth in faith through our faith stepping stone program. The program is an age appropriate program that starts from birth through 12th grade. It's based on the idea that faith is best grown at home as well as in the church by involving families along the way. Faith is integrated into each step as baptism they reach important developmental milestones in their lives.



The first stepping stone is for children from the time of birth through 3 years old. This step is a moment when we welcome our newest member along with their families and help them feel comfortable and connected in God's house.



The second step is for preschool age children through Kindergarten. At this step the child themselves are encouraged to connect through the loving and care given by trained volunteers. The children also start our KidSpark Sunday School program and are given their own story Bible. The children receive God's word through stories, games, crafts and activities all offered in Sunday School and Children's Church.



Our Third stepping stone is for children in 1st through 3rd grade. This is where are children begin learning basic concepts about God and how we should treat others. Parent and child workshops are offered to help teach our children and their families so that they may continue using these concepts at home.



The fourth stepping stone is with our 4th and 5th grade students. Here the children learn more advance concepts of God's love and we begin to equip them with tools to apply these concepts in their lives. At this time children will receive an NRSV bible. Parent and child workshops are offered that include a detailed lesson on how to navigate through their new bible and the children begin learning lessons right from their bibles.

Stepping stone 5 is for our middle school youth and is focused on building relationships with God and others. The sixth stepping stone is for the Sr. high youth and is meant to prepare them for ownership in their faith lives and develop an identity within the church.

These faith stepping stones are vital in the spiritual growth of our children. As our families grow in Christ they grow connected with not only the church but also each other.