

Junior High -7th and 8th graders

Sunday School

Age Group: 7th grade: 9:30 and 11:00

Location: Rooms above east end of gym

There will be one mixed-gender class for 6th and 7th graders per service unless numbers grow large enough to necessitate multiple classes. This group will be using the *Student Life Bible Study* curriculum on the life of Christ.

8th grade 11:05 only – with high school in student center

As we transition back to two services each Sunday, we have an incredible opportunity to strategically look at how we minister to students each Sunday morning. Most first time visitors will be invited as a family to check out our church and this is the time when they show up. With that in mind, Sunday School for students must be a place where they encounter the Living God in a powerful and compelling manner. This is the primary face of the church and must be done with excellence. This year Sunday School will focus on two primary vehicles for connecting to God; musical worship and relevant teaching. We will make use of the *Student Life Bible Study* curriculum called *Reverb* which focuses on the mission of God in the world. One of the great features of this curriculum is the weekly devotional page available for families. Check out the Student Ministry page of the church's website for a link to the devotional.

CORE (6:30-8:00 Sunday Nights)

Age Group: 8th grade only

Location: Fellowship Hall

The switch to a new model for our confirmation group is one of our more exciting shifts, allowing us to minister to students and their families at a deeper level. We will be using an adaptation of the Covenant's older confirmation curriculum called *Rock Solid*. It is a 26 week series which covers much of the same material that we have covered in the past in a format that we believe is more conducive to spiritual growth. Each student will need to have an adult mentor partner with them for this class as they will be going through the class together. Each Sunday will begin with a meal, followed by a brief topical introduction and then will divide into separate small groups for adults and students.

Youth Group (6:30-8:00 Wednesday Nights)

Age Group: 7th and 8th grade

Location: Gym and Student Center

One of our gaps in ministry over the last year has been a regular time for Junior High students to gather outside of CORE. This ministry will run concurrently with 50Sixers and will consist of games, worship, crafts and teaching.

Special Opportunities for 7th and 8th graders

Retreat: October 23-25 Junior High Fall Retreat at Portage Lake Cost: \$99

Mission Trip to Green Bay, Wisconsin: June 20-25 Cost: approx \$300

We will be partnering with YouthWorks (www.youthworks.com) .