#### GOSPEL **The Gospel Project** PRIDECT

Last fall after a good amount of research and prayer a group of us who had formed a children's education committee were able to find a curriculum to help us disciple our youth. It's called "The Gospel Project". Many of you may have noticed it around. There are cards, posters & activity pages. There is even an app  $\odot$ .

But as you know, the point is not the "stuff". The point is for us to invite children and students to become disciples of Jesus on the basis of what God has done and is doing through Christ. As Jesus said, "Repent! The Kingdom of God is at hand."

God has given us a treasure in the Bible. But without proper guidance the Bible can be guite confusing. It is our job as disciples of Jesus to "tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD and His might, and the wonders that He has done!" (Psalm 78:4). So we take the advice seriously which Paul gave to Timothy: "Preach the Word". But it takes work on the part of teachers and helpers to "bring the cookies down to the lowest shelf".

Who's doing this? I'm glad you asked ...

- Nursery kids! Yep, in between the two services our youngest ones (who can sit ☺) learn God's Word.
- Pre-school through 5<sup>th</sup> graders. At 9:30 they meet in \* grade level classes. They flow from a large group to a small group setting. This facilitates learning and community.
- \* Children's Church at 11:00 has two groups: Preschool and Kids (through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade). This second hour is not a duplication of the first. Instead, they dig deeper and focus on worship & application. And, kids are learning skills as they practice Bible drills and learn great songs. Plus kids get to stretch their legs and play.

The Gospel Project takes kids from Genesis to Revelation in three years. It points kids to that fact that Jesus is the Center of the Story. The point of the Bible is to reveal God's plan of redemption through Jesus Christ and we want to help kids to see that.

Following Christ is not about mere behavior modification. Our desire is to reveal the glory of God to young people so that they experience transformation. This is the effect of the gospel when it is seen...by the grace of God. Would you pray for teachers and helpers in Sunday School and Children's Church? Don't be afraid to thank them either for their work. It is a worthy work but a weighty one.

# 9:30 AM

Childcare is provided for all ages

### **The Greatest Story Ever Told**

The Gospel in Genesis Ethan Cole



Ages: Multigenerational (High School, College & Adults) Room 123 (Fellowship Hall)

This course will work to understand all of Scripture, beginning with the book of Genesis, as one unified glorious story. If you'd like to better understand the Bible as one unified Christ-centered story and to allow Gospel truth to empower personal transformation and enjoyment of God this is the class for you.

### Sacred Parenting

Room 114

How Raising Children Shapes our Souls **Bart Bouman** Ages: 30's, 40's



Parenting is a school for spiritual formation...and our children are our teachers. Surprisingly, God intends to use the process of us parenting our kids to conform us into the image of Jesus. This truth, while sometimes difficult, can lead to freedom and joy. If you are a parent in need of encouragement, perspective and help in the journey, join us. It is suggested that a \$10 workbook be purchased.

# 11:00 AM

Childcare is provided from birth through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Young Married Class: Mike Radcliffe Ages: 20's. 30's Room 111



A new study entitled, "The Me I Want to Be" will begin on September 20<sup>th</sup>. If you'd like to move toward becoming God's "best version of you" and you realize the value of community in that process, this is the class for you.

## Ladies Class: Joann Ek

Ages: Multigenerational Room 110

Ladies of all ages meet each week to learn how to walk in God's way by putting on the character of Christ.

## **Berean Class: Virgil Packard**

Ages: 50 + Room 114

Join a group of like-minded believers going verse by verse through the book of Colossians with a view toward lifechange.