

Good Afternoon TLC Family!

Leadership at True Life Community Church is excited to announce that we will bring back children's church to our Sunday morning experience on October 4, 2020 at 10:00 AM!

Thank you so much for your patience, prayers, and support as we have been diligently discussing and praying for the return of children's church here at TLC. We are very excited for the return of our children's church programs for preschool through the 5th grade. We want to assure you as parents, that the teachers, and helpers in each classroom will uphold the guidelines listed below to the best of their abilities.

Along with the return of children's church, we are in need of helpers in the preschool and elementary areas. This is a great opportunity for you as a parent, grandparent, or a guardian to serve here at TLC! We want to be able to put our best foot forward and we believe with our current teachers, helpers, and you, we can do this! To ensure this, all teachers and helpers are asked to go through the background check prior to serving. If you would like to sign up to help teach or be a helper in either preschool or elementary, you can email tylerw@tlctroy.com

As a reminder, we will still have our "Family Zone" available for those parents who wish to bring the entire family to an environment that is more child and parent friendly, one that allows for children to move about, lay on the floor while working on a puzzle/ coloring. We understand that you may not be comfortable dropping your child off at the classroom, so even when children's church is back, we will still be offering the "Family Zone" in the youth room for your convenience!

Guidelines & Procedures for Preschool & KidsQuest

1. Health and Safety Considerations

Ohio will recover from the pandemic with a phased-in approach, and this plan will include schools & churches. New COVID-19 infections are expected, and the goal is to keep the infection rate within the healthcare system's capacity to handle them. This means that there are inherent risks for children, teachers & helpers as we return to our children's church programs, and because of that, our first priority at True Life Community Church is to limit the spread through precautionary measures.

Each school district in Ohio is expected to utilize the guidance provided from the Ohio Department of Health through the Ohio Department of Education and to work in collaboration with their county health departments. True Life Community Church is adapting these same measures for our Sunday morning children's church experience.

Sunday Morning Precautions

2. Personal Sunday Health Checks

Students, teachers & helpers experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or having a temperature above 100°F should stay home and contact a primary care physician.

Each student/parent, teacher & helper will be asked the following five questions before entering the classroom

1. Have you or your child been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19?
2. Are you or your child experiencing a cough, shortness of breath, or sore throat?
3. Have you or your child had a fever in the last 48 hours?
4. Have you or your child had new loss of taste or smell?
5. Have you or your child had vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours?

3. Physical/Social Distancing

Maintaining social distancing is an important strategy to limit the spread. We will reconfigure our classrooms and other spaces to encourage social distancing and will adjust procedures to limit crowding in areas such as the playground and bathrooms. We will also instruct and encourage social distancing with our students, particularly our primary students. We will have a max capacity of ____ students and teachers in the preschool area and a capacity of ____ students & teachers in the elementary area.

4. Face Coverings

Wearing a face covering is especially important during times of elevated community spread. Per the Ohio Department of Education Guidelines, teachers & helpers are required to wear face coverings unless they are working alone in an isolated area or unless they have a documented reason not to do so. Face shields may be used in some settings, such as working with students with disabilities, where communication may be impacted.

Student face coverings in

- grades 1st-5th are required in
- common areas of the classroom
- small group settings
- classrooms whenever six feet of social distancing cannot be achieved
- all areas in the building, including classrooms

Students who provide a note from a physician indicating that they cannot wear face coverings will be exempt.

5. Hygiene Practices

Students, teachers & helpers should practice frequent handwashing for at least 20 seconds when hands are dirty and after using the restroom. We will also provide opportunities throughout the morning for hand washing. Hand sanitizer will be available for all students, teachers & helpers, particularly at the entry and exit of the room,

6. Cleaning & Sanitizing

We will frequently clean the classrooms, paying particular attention to high touch areas like doorknobs and handrails. Cleaning and disinfecting will occur between groups of students to limit the spread. We will also limit the sharing of equipment and supplies as much as possible.