



GRANITE SPRINGS
CHURCH

Dear Parents,

First of all we would like to thank all of the families who have been waiting patiently for the reopening of children's ministry here at Granite Springs. Also, to all who have faithfully participated in zoom meetings on Sunday mornings, we appreciate you. During the past several months hearing about each child's week, reading the Bible together, and praying each Sunday on Zoom has truly been a gift to help us stay connected.

We are so excited to share with all of you that Granite Kids (Kindergarten through 5th grade) will be meeting outside Sunday mornings starting November 8th. Children's Ministry offers children an opportunity to engage with other children and hear a Bible Lesson with age-appropriate teaching. Also, it allows the parents the opportunity to focus on the sermon knowing that their children are well taken care of and learning God's Word on a fun and engaging level. For these reasons and more, we are thrilled to offer this option.

At this stage, we are hosting Granite Kids outside only. While we do not have a timeline for Nursery and Busy Builders, we continue to be in conversation with other churches and health guidelines about best practices. We greatly appreciate your patience and understanding.

Due to the pandemic, Granite Kids will also have some additional guidelines. We know that families have different comfort levels, but ask that you help us follow these guidelines as a way of respecting and loving other families who may be in a different place.

Below are specific details on what to expect on a Sunday morning.

- Parents will need to RSVP their children for the services that they will be attending (this will be available through the weekly RSVP form for our services).
- Children will sit with their parents during worship and be dismissed during the time of the sermon. They will return to their parents for communion.
- Hannah and Marrison will be teaching and leading the Granite Kids class.
- Children will be required to wear masks.
- Children will sit with their siblings on designated picnic benches, apart from other households.
- For those worshipping from home:
 - Marrison will send out a Zoom link on Thursday for families who would like to participate in children's ministry online during the second service. Approximate time of the Zoom meeting will be from 10:45am to 11:05.
 - Hannah will continue to record and send out Busy Builder Bible lessons.

Looking forward to November 8th as we have in-person children's ministry while practicing social distancing and ensuring everyone is safe and healthy.

We will continue to communicate as we navigate this ongoing season. You and your children are particularly in our church's prayers as we seek to live the Gospel together in the midst of such challenge.

Grace to you,
Marrison
Children's Ministry Director, Granite Springs Church