

Kingdom Kids Detailed Schedule

Shepherd Preparation:

You can prepare in advance of the rotation by familiarizing yourself with the Bible story, faith messages and lesson activities. With the exception of copyrighted materials, you can also find these online and in the Kingdom Kids 3-ring shepherd's binder. Before the children arrive, prepare nametags and story time activities/materials. Snack supplies will be in the room for you. Please fill your pitcher with fresh water each week!

9:40 (10 Minutes) Shepherds welcome the children as they arrive.

One shepherd greets the children at the door, helps with nametags and takes attendance while the second shepherd begins gathering the children on the floor for Bible story time. This is a good time to chat with the children, ask them about their day and build a relationship with them! At 9:50 a.m., please gently close the classroom door and begin story time.

9:50 (10 Minutes) Bible story time with the children on the floor.

Using the Bibles available to you in the classroom...

- Give a brief introduction to the children of the big picture of the story.
- Read the story to the children
- Check for understanding of the story: who, what, when, where, why?
- Talk about the story: reactions, feelings, faith messages

You will find the scripture and faith messages on the back cover of all Kingdom Kids's 3-ring shepherd's binders. You may also wish to review the three behavior expectations posted in every classroom: Speak lovingly, follow directions, and show self-control.

10:00 (20 Minutes) Bible story activities.

Bible story activities focus on the Bible story's content and faith messages. Lessons are provided for the rotation and materials are kept in plastic tube inside of the Kingdom Kids cabinet located in the Children's Reading Corner (by the Faithful Bay and Trusty Harbor classrooms). Please return the tub to the cabinet at the end of the hour so it is ready for the next classroom shepherd to use!

10:25 (10 Minutes) Snack and lead the children to music

Snacks will generally be animal crackers/pretzels and water. Pitchers, napkins and cups are in the room. Please pump a dime-size amount of hand sanitizer into each child's hand before the prayer. After you pray together, the children may eat their snack.

10:30 (10 Minutes) Music Time!

Music with the combined K3, K4 and K5 classes is led by Sarah Foster and Wanda Hodge. Shepherds stay with their flock and assist the music leaders as needed. At 10:45 a.m. lead your flock back to the classroom.

10:45 (5 Minutes) Prayer and parent pickup

Encourage the children to discuss the faith messages and memory verse with their parents and siblings. Ask them what words they can use to share. Close each week with prayer. It can be as simple as "Thank you Jesus for loving me!"