

CHILDREN'S

MINISTRY



STEP INTO GOD'S KINGDOM

Our mission: To share and teach the love of Christ to children and their families.

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Epiphany
 January 4, 2009



We begin the new year on January 4th by celebrating Epiphany, when the Wise Men came to worship Jesus. This year we are using the book and movie *The Other Wise Man*, based on a story by Henry Van Dyke. This is a beautiful story reminding us

that when we serve others, we are also serving Christ.



Ruth – A Story of Loyal Living
 January 11 - February 1

Scripture References:
 The Book of Ruth

Memory Verse:

Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Ruth 1:16b

Concepts:

God's presence is shown through our loyal living and is a means for blessing others. The children see how Ruth & Naomi were faithful throughout their struggles. Seemingly small acts of kindness can be made bigger than they can imagine through God.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ROTATION

	K & 1st	2 nd	3rd	4th
Jan 4	Storytelling	Storytelling	Movie	Movie
Jan 11	Movie 106	Cooking 109	Drama 108	Computer 105
Jan 18	Cooking 109	Movie 106	Computer 105	Drama 108
Jan 25	Drama 108	Computer 105	Movie 106	Cooking 109

Rotation Teachers:

Computer: Steve Betzhold, Mike Block; Shepherds: Dona Perkins, Jo Ellen Bergstrom, & Kathy Wright.

Other Sunday School Teachers:

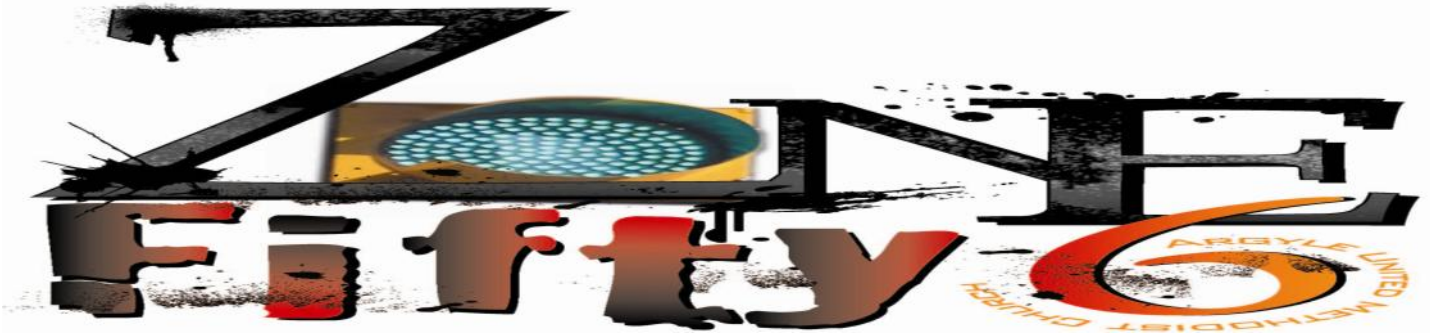
Older Two's & Three's: Kelly Perritt; Pre-K teacher: Amanda Stewart; Zone 56 teachers: Tom & Pam Keenan, Steve & Julie Sheridan, Don Fryer, Jeff Bergstrom.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

Date	8:45 Service CC	11:15 Service CC
Jan. 4	COMMUNION	
Jan. 11	Tim & Nikki Winn 940-648-1873	Jeff & Holly Williams 817-562-3175
Jan. 18	Carl & Connie Johnson 940-464-4534	Latham & Kristin Jones 940-565-0801
Jan. 25	Elaine White 940-728-2278	Carey & Beth Ward 940-725-0291

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This ministry for 5th & 6th graders includes Sunday school and weekday praise, missions, Bible study, snack supper, & fun. We meet Sunday mornings at 10 am in portable 202 and Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8pm in the parsonage next door. If you have a 5th or 6th grader be sure they come get in the ZONE!

To continue our 2008 success we need parent volunteers!

Please contact Liz Edwards to sign up as a Zone 56 helper. 940-464-1333 or liz@argyleumc.org

Zone 56 WINTER/SPRING 2009 SCHEDULE				
Date	Event	LEAD	Helpers	Snack Supper
Jan. 7	Games	Julie Sheridan	Tina Gladys	Tina Gladys
Jan. 14	Bible Study	Kelli Stoops		
Jan. 21	Bible Study	Kelli Stoops		
Jan. 28	Missions	Amy Young		

ACOLYTES

3rd – 6th Grade Students & Parents,

The word *acolyte* is taken from the Greek word *akolouthos* meaning companion, attendant, or helper. AUMC acolytes participate in the 8:45 and 11:15 worship services. An acolyte performs several duties during the worship service including lighting and extinguishing the candles and helping with the offering.

The duties of the acolyte are symbolic and are a very important part of the worship service. Light is known as a symbol of Jesus and that He is here with us. The lighting of the altar candles is a symbol that Jesus is part of our worship service. At the end of the service before they extinguish the altar candles they relight the candle lighter and take it out of the worship service. This symbolizes that as we return to our everyday routine that Jesus is with us.

If you are currently in Grades 3rd – 6th, we want you to be an Acolyte!

Training will be held Sunday, January 18th from 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. at the Church. At least one parent is required to attend the training with the child.

Please help us continue this wonderful tradition. Contact Kim Hand at 940-464-1333 or Kim@argyleumc.org to reserve your seat at the training and be put on the acolyte schedule.

Blessings,

Liz Edwards &
Kim Hand

