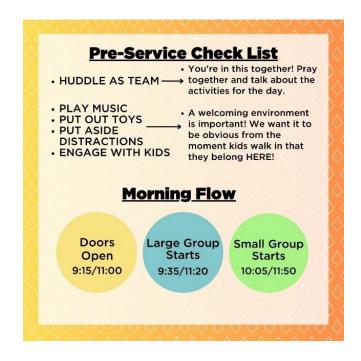


5th SUNDAY FUNDAY | WEEK 5 | JUNE 29, 2025

K-5th Lesson

5th Sunday Funday

Today is the 5th Sunday of the month and we are amping up the fun! While every Sunday in KidCity is fun, we like to elevate the fun every 5th Sunday to encourage kids to invite their friends and have more opportunities for connection through fun. Today, we will be emphasizing two of our core values in KidCity: **FUN** and **RELATIONSHIPS**. Whatever your volunteer role, really lean into having fun with the kids...which will then turn into developing a deeper relationship with them. Kids connect through fun! To be at your best, skim through the entire lesson so you know what to expect. Large group will run longer than normal (approximately 40 minutes) so plan to start exactly on time (9:35 AM/11:20 AM).



LARGE GROUP

COUNTDOWN AND WELCOME (1 minute)

(VIDEO: COUNTDOWN, SLIDE: KIDCITY EXPECTATIONS)

Welcome everyone to 5th Sunday Funday! We are going to have an incredibly fun time, and I hope you're as excited as I am.

Did anyone bring a friend or is here for the very first time? (Celebrate anyone who responds) We are so glad that you are here!

But first, let's quickly go over our KidCity Expectations so we can make sure that we make the most of our time today: (Don't dwell on these too long, but make sure you review them briefly so we can set everyone up for success.)

- 1. Be Kind
- 2. Be Safe
- 3. Have Fun

On that note, today is the last day in KidCity before Promotion Sunday! We don't have church next week, but the Sunday after you all will be in your new grade. That's cause for celebration!

It is GAME TIME!! Are you ready to get this PARTY STARTED????

GAME #1 (4 minutes)

LIMBO

(Pool Noodle)

(SLIDE: GAME SLIDE)
(SLIDE: FUN MUSIC)

HOW TO PLAY

- Have everyone stand in one giant circle.
- o Hold the pool noodle at a height that would be somewhat easy for kids to limbo under.
- o Start the music and have everyone walk in a circle so everyone gets to try to limbo.
- o Gradually lower the pool noodle. There are no 'outs', just island vibes! If kids think that it's too low for them to try, they can go around it and keep walking.
- o Be sure to hype up kids that do some impressive bending!

That was awesome! Let's keep the party going with another game!



GAME #2 (4 minutes)

FACE THE PIE

(8 pie tins, whip cream, "Face the Pie" cut and laminated, tarp, goggles, shower cap, paper towels and wet wipes, table - optional)

(SLIDE: FACE THE PIE) (SLIDE: FUN MUSIC)

HOW TO PLAY:

- o **PREP.** Place the laminated pictures in the bottom of the pie tins 1 per tin. Right before you play the game, fill the tins up with a generous amount of whip cream. Lay the tarp down under the pie tins. If you have a table, you can use one.
- CHOOSE VOLUNTEERS. Choose a boy and a girl volunteer (or a kid and a willing leader), but prep them
 ahead of time that they will get messy. Make sure there are no weird allergies. This would be a great
 time to pre-select your volunteers prior to large group.
- **EXPLAIN.** Give the players their shower caps and goggles. Say that on 'GO' they will need to use their face to dig out the laminated pictures. First kid to find all of their pictures, wins!
 - If needed, kids can simply reveal the picture with their face and then use their hands to pull it out of the tin.
- CLEAN UP: Give kids paper towels prior to letting them leave the tarp Wipe down the images because you will use them later in the lesson.

WORSHIP (8 Minutes)

(VIDEO: FULLY ALIVE, PRAISE)

GOSPEL (15 Minutes)

(Dry Erase Marker)

That was so much fun! I love that we can have fun at church because you know what? We have so much to celebrate! We are loved by the Creator of the Universe, and we can have a right relationship with Him. Check out this video...

(VIDEO: GOD'S STORY: The Good News - 4:28)

Do you remember the pictures that our contestants pulled out earlier? Let's look at them again and see if we can make more sense of them...

Put the cards in number order. Work together with the kids to 'discover the secret code'. Use the dry erase marker to write the first letter of the word. For example, "Grapes" starts with "G", so you will write "G" on the back of the card. When you have written and laid out all of the letters, it will spell out "GOOD NEWS".

The story of Jesus, the Gospel, is Good News because it tells us about how we can have a better way of living. Living for ourselves and our own desires is fun for awhile, but it always leads to harm. Either harm to ourselves or harm to others. Giving up our selfish desires and choosing to ask Jesus to be our Lord and savior leads to everlasting life! A different way of saying it is, when we promise to follow God with our life we can be in God's family forever. He gives us new purpose and an everlasting hope! Living God's way is always better.



If you've never made a decision to follow Jesus with your life but you're feeling like something within you is saying that it's the right time, then let's do it! I'm going to pray a prayer and you can repeat it after me. The words aren't magical, you just have to believe it in your heart.

Let's pray.

"God, you are perfect and holy. We know that our sin keeps us from you and there's nothing we can do to save ourselves. We are sorry for doing things that make you sad. We want to love you and follow you with our whole heart. Thank you for sending Jesus to save us. We trust you. Amen."

If you prayed that prayer and you meant it in your heart, then you are a part of God's family! That's GOOD NEWS! Be sure to tell your small group leader and your parents that you made this really important decision. Your small group leader is actually going to ask you guys when you go to group in a second if anyone made this decision for the very first time.

Ok, go ahead and head into your small groups!





GOSPEL FOLLOW UP

('Gospel Follow Up' - 1 per group)

- 1. Hold up the 'Gospel Follow Up' found in your bin and review the Big Story. Be sure everyone knows what each icon means.
- 2. Talk about the possible responses to hearing the Big Story. Point to each emoji to help kids understand the possible responses.
- 3. Remind students that accepting Jesus as your Savior and trusting God with your life is a decision you only have to make one time. But it does mean that every day you make choices to reflect that decision.
 - a. If you have a child share with you that they made that decision today, take the opportunity to write that child's name down and share that with your classroom coach, and try to talk to the parent of that child who made a decision to follow Jesus to let them know!

RE-LEI RACE!

(Leis - 1 per kid to take home, Floor Tape, 2 Small Balls - preferably a beach ball)

What You Do:

- Split your group into two teams (or play against another small group if yours is too small)
- Choose a relay race style from below depending on the needs of your group:
 - TUNNEL RELAY: Teams stand in a line facing the person in front of them. Have them spread their legs wide enough for a person to crawl through. On 'GO', the kid in the back will crawl through their teammates' legs. When they get through they will grab a lei from the stack, put it on, and go to the front of the line. Once they are in place the next person can go. First team for all players to get a lei wins!
 - BALL RELAY: Teams stand in a line behind a tape start line. Place a stack of leis a distance away. Give the
 first kid on each team a ball to place between their legs. On 'GO' kids will run down to the leis, put one
 on, and then return to pass the ball to the next person in line. They must keep the ball between their
 legs no touching with your hands!
 - OVER UNDER RELAY: Teams stand in a line facing the person in front of them and with a bit of space between them. On 'GO' teams will alternate passing a ball over their head and then between their legs (Kid #1 over their head, Kid #2 between their legs). When the ball gets to the end of the line, have that kid run to the front, put on a lei, and then pass the ball back again. First team for everyone to have a lei wins!

FLIP FLOP FLIP

(Flip Flops - 2 per group)

What You Do:

- Choose a variation of this game that makes the most sense for your group, or have the kids come up with their own game!
 - Set up a ski-ball style scoring area using whatever resources you have on hand (markers, small group bin, etc.). Have kids take turns putting a flip flop on and flipping it off of their foot and landing it on the high scoring areas.



- O Do a trick shot! Set a flip flop down on the floor and have kids take turn using the other one to try to land it on top of the one on the floor. Say that the flip flop has to rotate two times in the air to count.
- o Challenge kids to try to balance a flip flop on their nose or fingertip. See who can do it the longest!
- Split the group into two teams. Have the kids in each team grab the shoulders of the person in front of them. The first person on each team will balance the flip flop on their head. On GO, the teams will walk/run around the space you want them to go (could be your small group rug or boundaries that you set up) without dropping their flip flop. Whoever makes it around or does it the fastest wins!

Today is the last day before move ups on July 13. Celebrate the kids who are moving up!

