

# THE KID LIFE

2022 - what another incredible year! The Kid Life continues to be a place of joy, excitement and spiritual development. What an honour it is to be given the privilege and responsibility of partnering with parents to lead these children into a loving relationship with Jesus Christ. This year we had so many opportunities to show Jesus' love to the kids of our church and community. I have also had such an incredible opportunity to continue to see kids grow and develop in their faith as each year continues. It is amazing to see children passionate for God, and at such a young age, worship and love Him.

From January until August, the Kid Life was being overseen by Christina Cuke, as she covered my maternity leave. She did a great job running our Sunday programming, Kids Kamp and other events throughout the year. We were sad to see her go in September but cheering her on as she accepted the role as a Kids Director at another church.

Coming back in September was a great joy for me. I truly love working with the Kid Life and was excited to jump back in it. We had a full fall with weekly playgroups running, re-opening all of our classrooms, and jumping into seasonal fun with our Trunk or Treat with over 300 kids from our church and community, our Christmas Production, and our Gingerbread Christmas event. We have also seen tremendous growth in our weekly attendance on Sundays, reaching over 100 kids most weeks and seeing so many new faces.

Thank you so much to all those that serve alongside us in The Kid Life. From weekly classroom leaders, to those that support special events, and even others that serve behind the scenes during the week, we at Mapleview are blessed to have so many people supporting the vision of the Kid Life. We could not do this without you. We cannot say thank you enough. Stephanie also joined the team as the Kid Life Assistant, who oversees the "Little Life." She has done an incredible job creating a safe and fun environment for our kids from 0-2. If you are passionate about kids ministry and not yet involved, please reach out as we are always looking for people to join our team!

I believe 2023 is going to be an incredible year and know that as Joanna Ratz takes the lead, the Kid Life will continue to flourish and grow and become even better at serving the kids and families of Mapleview and beyond.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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