# **ELEMENTAL EXPERIENCES**

In today's fast-paced world, it's more important than ever for kids to engage in activities that promote social skills, creativity, and faith. Holy Cross Lutheran Church offers a variety of opportunities that not only cater to these needs but also provide fun and family bonding moments. From weekly school day chapel, art encounters, and family outdoor chapels, there's something for everyone.

# Why Participate?

#### Connection

It's essential for children to engage with their peers outside of school to boost their confidence and social skills. These interactions are crucial for their overall development and well-being.

#### Creativity

Art is a vital component of a child's growth, sparking imagination and helping them express their thoughts and emotions. Creative activities can significantly enhance a child's development.

#### **Elemental Engagement**

Elements like Fire, Water, Earth, and Wind can be powerful tools in teaching scriptures to children. These elements bring stories of faith to life in a way that resonates with young minds.

#### Faith

A spark that seeks God resides within everything that God created. Nurturing this spark is fundamental for a child's spiritual growth.

## In a Nutshell

#### Art Encounters

These sessions offer engagement with creative arts that tell stories of faith. Children will enjoy a variety of art experiences, including singing, dancing, visual art, and dramatic arts.

#### Family Outdoor Chapel

These events include meals, live music, holy communion, and activities like campfires, bounce houses, or egg hunts. Children can share their creations and help narrate the stories of faith they have learned. Families are encouraged to attend and participate.

# Sponsored By

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# Wednesday Opportunities

### **Creative Kids' Art Encounters**

Each session includes varied art experiences and meals.

- Preschool Children (includes lunch): 12:00 1:30 pm
- Preschool and Elementary Children (includes dinner): 5:30 7:00 pm

#### **Dates:**

- September 4th and 11th
- October 16th and 23rd
- November 6th and 13th
- December 4th and 11th
- February 5th and 12th
- March 12th and 19th
- April 2nd and 9th
- May 7th and 14th

Register for Elemental Arts Encounters online or by phone to ensure your child doesn't miss out on these enriching experiences.

## **Family Campfire Chapel**

Families can gather for an evening of fun that includes campfires, S'Mores, hot dog dinners, live music, children's art shows, chapel, bounce houses, and more.

• The whole Family 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

#### **Dates:**

- September 18th
- October 30th
- November 20th
- December 18th
- February 19th
- March 26th
- April 12th (Saturday morning session)
- May 21st

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