



Learn the truth. Live in the Light.

The “Sunshine Club” is Stonington’s new midweek Bible and catechism club for kids! Join our club every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m., October 4 through March 27 for weekly times of playing games, singing songs, doing activities, and learning the rock-solid truth of God’s Word.

MISSION

The mission of Sunshine Club is to learn the truth about God’s Son while living in the light of God’s Son.

VISION

The vision of Sunshine Club is to cultivate a stress-free environment for kids of all ages to learn the truth about Jesus Christ and its immediate impact on their lives to create a generation of disciples who follow hard after Jesus. The point is not for kids to just know some verses. Rather, the point is for kids to know why should follow hard after Jesus throughout their lives.

CLUB VERSE

“My soul follows hard after thee: thy right hand upholds me.” —Psalm 63:8

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OVERVIEW

- Sonshine Club is divided into three groups: pre-K through 1st grade; 2nd and 3rd grade; and 4th and 5th grade. Pre-K students must either be four (4) years of age or entering their last year of pre-K when signing up for Sonshine Club.
- Instead of bulk verse tests, clubbers will be given one (1) Scripture passage to put to memory every two (2) months. For the 2023–24 cycle, clubbers will be memorizing Proverbs 30:5; 1 Timothy 2:5-6; and Deuteronomy 6:4-5.
- The weekly schedule has been revised to allow for more time for games and “checking in” with your students (see the schedule below). Use the “check-in” time to reinforce what was taught during the lesson, go over the memory verse, or just get to know what’s going on in their lives.
- The points system remains largely the same as before, with clubbers being able to accumulate points for bringing their Bible, bringing friends, club attendance, and church attendance. The points will be weighted heavier for clubbers who bring friends with them to the club each week. The end-of-year awards will be given to clubbers who are able to recite all the memory verses and catechism answers.

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SCHEDULE

Sonshine Club will run for twenty-six (26) weeks, with weeks off for holidays. The club will conclude the week before Easter Sunday, 2024. Here is the weekly schedule:

- 6:30—6:45: Opening / Singing / Announcements
- 6:45—7:15: Game Time
- 7:15—7:40: Bible Lesson
- 7:40—8:00: Group Discussion / “Check-In” Time

CURRICULUM

Sonshine Club uses The New City Catechism, which is a catechism geared for young disciples that combines elements from John Calvin’s Geneva Catechism, the Westminster Shorter and Larger Catechisms, and the Heidelberg Catechism. The objective behind using this catechism is to teach kids how to articulate their faith in ways that make sense to them (where they are). This will allow them to live as lights in the world (where they are). Teachers will cover one (1) catechism question and answer every two (2) weeks to allow for each truth to be brought home in a way that makes sense for the clubbers.

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