

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES CORONAVIRUS NEWS



## VBS DERAILED...

After much prayer, thought and discussion with VBS leaders, the decision has been made to cancel this summer's Rocky Railway VBS scheduled for June 1-5. Because there is still so much uncertainty regarding COVID-19 - especially with the restrictions with social distancing, we will not look for another date to reschedule. With eager anticipation, however, we will look forward to having the BEST VBS EVER with Rocky Railway on June 7-11, 2021!

Because the safety and health of the children and volunteers are of utmost importance to us, we are confident that the right decision has been made. Yes, it is disappointing news, but I promise that once we know for certain that it is safe to gather in groups again, we will offer some fun and meaningful events to bring the kids together. Stay tuned!



## SUMMER CAMP NEWS

On May 15th, Blue Lake will announce whether or not our Energize Summer Camp will be held. For now, they are still accepting registrations. The camp is June 15-19 for those completing 3rd, 4th and 5th grades this school year. If the camp is cancelled, everyone registered will receive a full refund. Go to [www.bluelakecamp.com](http://www.bluelakecamp.com) for detailed information and online registration. Early bird rate (\$320) deadline has been extended to May 1st. On May 2nd, full price rate (\$340) applies.

Something extra fun from Blue Lake Camp this Friday, April 17th at 7:30pm -- **A VIRTUAL CAMPFIRE!** Please share with your kids!

Blue Lake's fantastic summer staff has put together an awesome program of beloved campfire songs, skits and even a devotional! Campers young and old are welcome to join!! Use Zoom Meeting ID: 527 199 785 / Zoom Password: 047113





# PIER, PIER34 & SWIFT

This is probably no surprise but Pier, Pier34 and SWIFT will not meet again on Wednesday night this school year. Our last night was scheduled for next Wednesday, April 22. Unfortunately, we're not able to do that! Thanks to all the 4 year olds-6th graders who participated and a special thanks to all the adults who served! It was a great year till COVID-19 showed up!



# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS

We are going to mail Sunday School lessons again! We will mail the last two lessons for April this Thursday and the lessons for May on April 30. If you'd like your child to receive these lessons, you have to let us know. Email [michelle.graham@fairhopeumc.org](mailto:michelle.graham@fairhopeumc.org) no later than Monday, April 13 (an email was sent to you last week regarding this). If you miss this date, go ahead and send the email and we'll do our best to get those mailed to your kids.

# WEEKLY CHALLENGE

Don't forget about our weekly Whatever It Takes Challenges. For details, go to [www.fairhopeumc.org](http://www.fairhopeumc.org) and click on Staff Covid-19 Updates. In our children's ministries, we always stress how we are called to love God and love others! This is a simple yet meaningful way to share love with others in these unprecedented times.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Remember ... stay well, stay safe and stay filled with the joy only Jesus can offer!

Blessings,

*Michelle Graham*

