

# BIRTH - 18 YEARS

## JOURNEY KIDS

Bring your children (birth thru 5th grade) and allow them to experience God's love in a fun and exciting way.

**Sonshine Meadows** is a safe, loving environment for all children, birth through pre-Kindergarten. Each week they experience God's love through teaching, music and creative activities.

**The Great Adventure** is an exciting worship experience for children in Kindergarten through the fifth grade. Each week they enjoy large group worship with music and quality teaching, as well as age appropriate small groups.

## JOURNEY STUDENTS

Journey Student Ministry seeks to provide students (sixth through twelfth grades) regular opportunities for spiritual growth, missional activity and authentic friendships.

### Wednesdays

No activities this week. Mark your calendar for the summer. Small groups for middle school girls, middle school boys and high school students will begin the week of June 21. Details to come.

# Closeness

We're glad you're here on  
May 24, 2009

## FIRST TIME AT JOURNEY?

Here's some information about today's experience you may find helpful.

**Don't worry if you can't find the hymnals or the organ.** There aren't any. Instead, we're committed to using a full expression of the arts in our worship experiences. On any given Sunday you will encounter a band, upbeat music, multi-media, drama and visual artists as part of the experience. Our weekend worship experiences are designed to present basic Biblical truths and show how they apply to our everyday lives.

**Don't feel obligated to give.** The Bible says no one should feel forced to give or give in response to sob stories and arm twisting. (2 Corinthians 9:7) Journey is a member and attendee supported faith community.

**It's okay to fill out the communication card included in the program.** No one will sell your name to some insurance company in Duluth or try to meet your cleaning product needs. It simply helps us understand who we are serving and how we can do it better. You can return the card during the time of Giving Back To God or drop it off at the resource table and receive a free copy of today's message. Each Sunday, as you return, simply put your name and mark your status.

**If your kids stay with you in the Worship Experience...** they are really missing out! We have loving caregivers for infants, a quality program for pre-school age kids and an exciting worship experience for kids grades K-5.

## Loving God...Loving People...Linking Them Together

### HOW DO I...

**...worship when I don't know the songs?** Don't worry. We usually sing each at least two times. We didn't know these songs at first either.

**...get prayer for something specific?** You may list your prayer need on the back of your communication card. Simply check "Confidential" or "For Prayer Ministry Team" to appropriately direct your request.

**...find out about JOURNEY & get connected?** Visit the resource table to get details about:

- Our Essential Beliefs
- Service Opportunities and How to Volunteer
- Opportunities to Grow and Learn
- Starting Point
- Core Values & Core Practices

Also, visit our website: [www.journeyky.org](http://www.journeyky.org) to connect in many different ways.

## UPCOMING SERIES

### Life.Money.Hope.

#### Biblical Advice in Difficult Times

Join us for a three week series with Dave Ramsey via simulcast.

May 31—June 14.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Upcoming Events

May 31- Graduate Recognition

June 13—"Together" Prayer Walk

June 27—"Together" Servant Evangelism

July 18—"Together" Bag Hunger

## GRADUATES

Are you or someone you know at Journey graduating from high school, college, trade or technical school? If so, jot a note on your communication card this morning or call the office this week. We will recognize graduates on Sunday, May 31, 2009.

## LIFE GROUPS

### Summer Semester

Sign ups May 31, June 7, and June 14.

## SEND-A-KID-TO-CAMP

### Camp Scholarships

Some of our elementary children are planning to attend the summer camp, Centri-kid, in July. If you would like to help sponsor a child please check "other" on your offering envelope and write: Centri-kid scholarship.

## PRAISE & PRAYER

Do you have a praise you would like to share with Journey? Write it on the communication card or e-mail to [info@journeyky.org](mailto:info@journeyky.org).

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

We are always ready to welcome new servers. Our children's ministry consisting of Sonshine Meadows and Great Adventures is in need of additional workers. Our set-up and take down servants need help as well. Indicate your interest in serving on the back of your communication card or contact the office for more information.

## SPIRITUAL GIFTS SURVEY

### Do You Know Your Gifts?

Please log on to [www.JourneyKy.org](http://www.JourneyKy.org) >Resources>Spiritual Gifts Inventory and complete the survey. This will help plug you in where God needs you. If you want a hard copy, please call Sheila at the Journey office, 384-8555.

## MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, was proclaimed on May 5, 1868 as a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service. Take time during your day to remember. Note: Office will be closed.