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One Church - Chester



One Church has a ministry of children called Unite Kids. Unite Kids is not just about ministering *to* kids, but also about ministering *with* kids. Unite Kids contribute to the mission of God in real ways. They lead the way when we invite families to our community days at

the park. Unite Kids paint rocks and hide them to be discovered and brighten someone's day. They make pet rocks to distribute at the Trick or Treat on Columbia Street. Unite Kids build scarecrows for a photo booth. They bake cupcakes in order to contribute to our shared meals on Thursdays nights. Unite Kids greet people before worship. They lead by reading scripture or leading in prayer. Unite Kids invite their friends, their classmates, their neighbors, ... everyone they meet because Unite Kids believe in the church. (See the back for picture of Unites Kids in action.)

Unite Kids is led by Tammy Thomas, and her motto is, "Every kid needs to know they are loved and that they can lead." Her assistant, Jessica Price, also has a passion and high expectations for kids. At One Church, kids are *uniting* with the story of God. They are being *equipped* to share life together. And they are being *sent!*

They are quickly making their space their own. Posters, a bulletin board, scripture, prayers, and crafts are visible every week. High energy music, inquisitive minds, and friendships mark their time together.

One of the marks of One Church is our intergenerational life. While we do have age specific ministries, we share life together across generations as much as possible. In short, you can't come to One Church and leave wondering whether kids are present. And we wouldn't have it any other way!

One Church - Chester Mission & Vision

One Church is a multiethnic church who exists to:

- *UNITE* people through a common story
- *EQUIP* people for a common life
- *SEND* people in a common mission

"May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God!" – Romans 15:5-7



Candy, Costumes, Cider, Cake, Cameras, and the Cyclone!

Our new facility has brought about new partnerships. The Cyclone restaurant is one of those partners. During our Trick or Treat event, the Cyclone has offered to provide a free hotdog to every child who attends. When we are open to God's work in our community, God will create partnerships we never imagined.

Facility Needs

A few facility needs: vacuum, curtain rods, small trashcan and doormats. If you would like to donate one of these items, please contact Pastor Matt.



We Don't Give to the Church!

At the close of this quarter, One Church is growing and moving. God is at work among us and through us. If you have been with us long, you have heard a common phrase, "We don't give *to* the church; we give *through* the church!" This is our ongoing prayer. We don't want to be a battery, but a conduit. Power is stored in a battery, but power flows through a conduit. May the power of God flow through us!

On July 1, 8 of us met for worship in the Alexander home. This past Thursday 24 of us gathered for discipleship in our new facility. Moving into a new facility requires unusual expenses like deposits, furniture, and cleaning supplies.

However, that hasn't stopped God from calling One Church to give beyond itself. Throughout the last quarter, we have collected \$6,646.60. Of that, \$1532.27 was given to fund the mission of God **outside** our doors! We have given to world missions, supported retired pastors, resourced our university in Nashville, supported churches across South Carolina, offered hurricane relief in Texas, gave school supplies for children in the Chester community, hosted two community park days, and extended support to a grieving family. Thanks be to God!

Your giving is vital to the mission of God in this world. Thank you for giving! Will you allow God to keep challenging you to give in new ways?

See you Sunday!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Matt



Sundays

Prayer: 9:30am

Worship: 10:00am-11:00am

Thursdays

One Table: 6:00pm-7:30pm