

LAWN BAPTIST CHURCH

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Helping students know the King, trust His rule, serve His church, and live faithfully in His kingdom.

SAVE THE DATE

October 14 - FCA Fields of Faith

Students and adult volunteers should sign up in advance. Additional transportation and event details will be shared with families.

October 25, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Parent Planning Meeting

Parents are invited to join us following the morning service. **Lunch will be provided.** We will discuss upcoming plans, communication, opportunities for involvement, and how we can work together to disciple and support our students.

STAY CONNECTED

GroupMe: We will begin using GroupMe as our primary way to communicate youth news, announcements, schedules, reminders, and other important information. Be watching for information about how to join the GroupMe page.

Updated Parent & Student Information: We also need to make sure our records are current. Be watching for a virtual form where parents can update contact information and student information.

SERVING OUR CHURCH

We have been emphasizing that our students are **members of the church now**. We want them to learn that following Christ includes using their time and abilities to serve His people.

Current opportunities include the **Greeting Team, Nursery, and WATER on Wednesdays**. We want our students to move beyond simply asking what the church provides for them and begin asking, "**How can I serve Christ by serving His church?**"

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING: THE KING AND HIS KINGDOM

Our recent teaching has centered on the **kingdom of God**. We have been asking three foundational questions: **What is the kingdom of God? Who is the King? What does it mean to live as a citizen of His kingdom?**

We have looked at Jesus as the perfect King and compared Him with the earthly kings and rulers we encounter in Scripture. Earthly rulers are temporary and imperfect. Jesus serves His people, speaks truth, provides what they truly need, gives His life for them, conquers sin and death, and reigns over a kingdom that will never end.

We have also compared God's eternal kingdom with the kingdoms of this world. Our students live in a culture that constantly tells them where to find security, identity, success, comfort, and worth. The gospel announces something greater: **Jesus Christ is King**. Because Christ is King, our hope is not ultimately determined by what happens around us. We are receiving "a kingdom that cannot be shaken" (Hebrews 12:28).

Our desire is for students to see that Christianity is not simply about adding Jesus to their lives. Jesus is King, and following Him means learning to trust His rule and live faithfully within His kingdom.

CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION AT HOME

Parents can reinforce these conversations during a meal, in the car, or sometime during the week. The goal is to help students connect what they are learning at church with how they understand and live their everyday lives.

1. **How is Christ a better King?** What evidence do we see in Scripture?
2. **How does God's eternal kingdom bring relief** as we experience stress, fear, disappointment, or uncertainty in this life?
3. **What evidence does Scripture give us** that God's kingdom is eternal and that Christ can be trusted as King?