

# It's VBS time at First Church!

We are full! We invite you to pray daily for the 650+ children and volunteers who will be filling our campus.



## Children are created by God and built for a purpose!

The next two weeks of VBS will be joyful, busy, exhilarating, Spirit-filled, exhausting...and hopefully, a time when our children will hear the call of God. We invite you to pray for the children and the volunteers who will be working hard in order to help each child know that God speaks to him or her.

## Weekly scripture focus: 1 Samuel 3: 1-10.

In this story, God is speaking to Samuel. It took three times before Eli and Samuel figured out that it was God speaking to him. But once Samuel knew, he responded *“Speak, for your servant is listening.”*

Samuel was just a young boy when God called him. God is still calling young girls and boys (and adults) today saying, *“Come and follow me.”* How do you think people are being called to serve God today? How will you prepare your heart and ears to hear God calling? How are you tuned in to God? Is it through Bible study, regular prayer, and listening to other Christians...or some other way?

This week, try setting aside a daily quiet time. As part of this time you might ask God if there's anything He wants you to hear from Him. Then allow time, not just a few seconds, but a significant amount of time to listen. By preparing ourselves to listen, we'll be ready to clearly hear what God is asking us to do. When you hear God's call, will you be ready to answer as Samuel did, *“Here I am!”*

Prayer: *“We are listening for your call. When you call, help us be brave enough to answer, “Here I am.” Amen.*

—Jennifer Hall, Director of Children's Ministry