

WELCOME TO GRANGER KIDS

MEET YOUR TEAM



Shari Wolfgang, Director of Granger Kids Elkhart

Shari has been serving kids in churches since she was 12 years old. From early on, she knew that kids matter. She has a background in teaching with a degree in Elementary and Early Childhood Education. She has served with Granger Kids for eight years (since the beginning of the Elkhart Campus). She lives to serve kids and families and loves the incredible team of volunteers that she leads and serves alongside. If you ask her why she does what she does, she'll tell you, "Kids need people in their lives who can help them understand how much they matter to God and who God created them to be. I love that I get to be one of those people."

Kathy Allen
Preschool Coordinator



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Elementary Coordinator



WHY SHOULD I SEND MY CHILD TO GRANGER KIDS EVERY WEEK?

With your busy schedule, this is a legitimate question to ask, and I'm glad you did. There are three main things that we are offering that kids today are NOT getting anywhere else. First, we offer a relationship with someone not in their family that is safe, can be trusted and will speak truth about God to them in a loving way. Second, we are committed to helping kids take their next steps toward Christ together in a way that they will understand, enjoy and be able to use in their real life right away! Wait...there's more! Third, we are unashamedly FOR families, in fact, it is strategic in all that we do. We understand that there is no greater influence on the spiritual development of a child than their family—whatever your family looks like. Our hope is that we can get these two great institutions (i.e., the family and the church) aligned in purpose and mission so that together, we can "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)

We call that thinking **Orange**.

Orange = Unconditional love of the family (■) + light that comes from the church community of faith (■)

In today's culture more than ever, kids need a connection to others that can reinforce what is being taught in the home, other leaders that kids can learn to trust and seek practical wisdom from. So we are going to be intentional about doing just that!

WHAT ARE THEY LEARNING?

Great question! Though our programming always involves stories from the Bible, life application activities and live worship, much of the content is anchored by these core, basic truths:

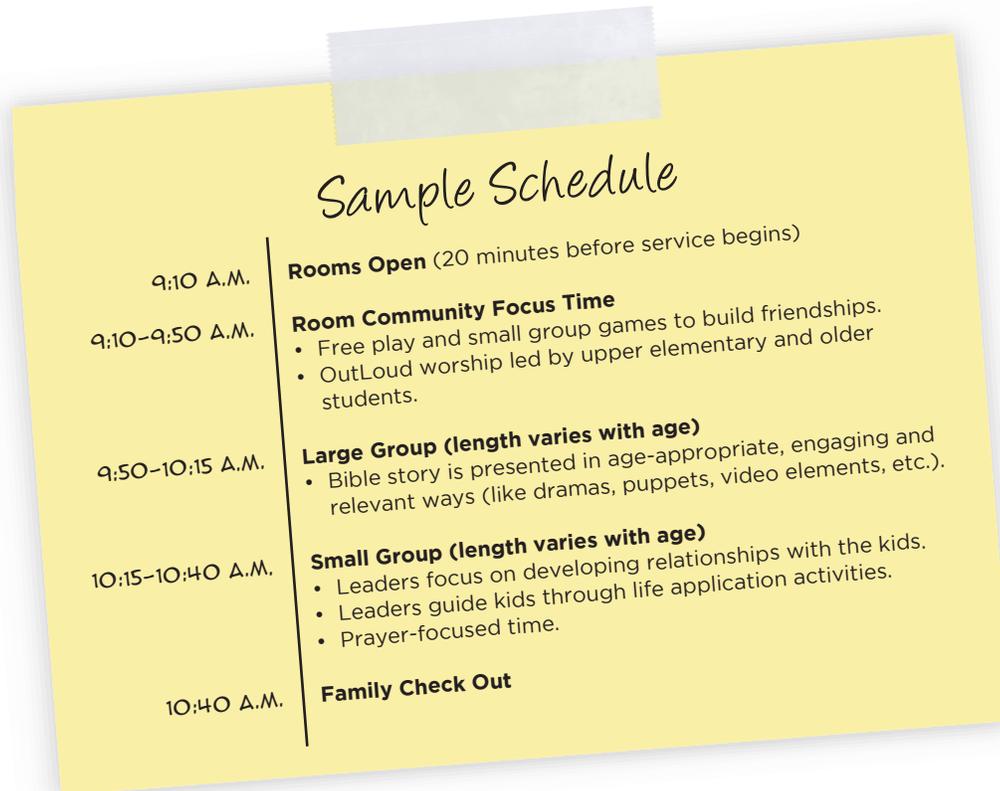
Preschool:

- God made me.
- God loves me.
- Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Elementary:

- I need to make the wise choice.
- I can trust God no matter what.
- I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

WHAT HAPPENS IN THEIR ROOMS?



WE KNOW YOU'RE BUSY, SO HERE'S A LIST OF RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO YOUR FAMILY:



Parent Times, Parent Cues and God Times are practical notes designed to help families extend what kids are learning in our rooms throughout their week. Available at the hallway kiosks and online at grangerchurch.com/monthly-resources-for-parents

Go to grangerchurch.com/kids to learn more details about the Granger Kids' experience.

Follow Granger Kids on Facebook to see what's coming up next: facebook.com/grangerkids

There are always **resources for families available at the bookstore** including bracelets, devotionals, storybooks and Bibles.