



## KID'S ALIVE

Our Kids Alive Wednesday program provides North Valley children with a fun and friendly environment to grow in Christ from 6:30-8pm. We have child care in the nursery for babies through age three. We have a class for four year olds through first grade led by Aletha McKennon. She works with a curriculum called the ABC's of God that uses object lessons and the ABC's to bring the message of Jesus Christ in a tangible way to that age group. Second through Fifth grade use a curriculum developed by Genie Harris called "God's Amazing World" which will focus young people to look at the different aspects of their lives (personal, natural, global, and humanities) and the ways God interacts with them. The Kids Alive program will use George Fox University students to help implement this program.



It is my honor to spend time with your children. If there are ways I can encourage or support your children, or you as parents, please let me know. You can either

send me an email at [leshodg@gmail.com](mailto:leshodg@gmail.com) or use my cell phone - 503-260-7615.



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# CHILDREN'S PROGRAM'S



## FALL 2011

## NURSERY CARE

Quality nursery care is provided for newborns through age three. North Valley volunteers are on a monthly rotation in the nursery and coordinator Adina McConaughy ensures the space is safe and clean! The nursery is located in the preschool wing and care is available from 10:40 until the close of worship every Sunday. All children's programs during Sunday morning worship use the "Whole People of God" curriculum. Quality volunteers rotate on a monthly schedule and are supported by both Noël Carey, children's church assistant and Leslie Murray, Pastor to children and youth.



## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children ages four through fifth grade are dismissed before the sermon and head to the back of the sanctuary for an hour of faith, fun and community. The class break-downs are as follows:

4 year old– Kindergarten  
1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade  
4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade



## NEW CURRICULUM

During the course of this next year, we will be implementing a new curriculum into our children's church program at North Valley. "Whole People of God" is written and published by Woodlake Publishing, Inc. The curriculum is based on the liturgical calendar and follows this calendar throughout a three year rotation of themes and scripture.

The fall series is entitled, "Alive in God's

Way." The team of writers and editors who created this unit offer this background for their work and leadings in the creation of this unit...

### *ALIVE IN GOD'S WAY*

*As we studied the biblical passages for this unit, the power of God's creation surrounded us and became part of our reflections. God's world was alive, and in the passages we studied, there was a strong call for us to work in partnership with God's gift of creation.*

*In Matthew we read the story of the son who refused to help his father in the vineyard, but later changed his mind and came to his father's aid. In two additional parables, Jesus likened the world to a vineyard from which God reaps a harvest. The psalms we read were hymns of thanksgiving for God's providence and presence throughout time, and in Exodus, Miriam danced and shook her tambourine in praise of God's saving acts. The readings from Romans and Philippians made it clear how Christians were to respond to God's gifts, and how they were to live so that they were truly alive in God's way. We also experienced the scripture as challenging us to judge others less and to love one another more. We felt called to be kinder and more compassionate, humble, and open to new growth, following Christ's example. As we reflected on the lectionary readings, our biblical ancestors reminded us that faith means celebrating life and living as God calls us to be and do. Through them we heard the call to be "alive in God's way."*