



All Together

One Church, Every Gen

Five Sundays This Summer June 28-July 26

For five weeks this summer, we are looking forward to being “All Together: One Church, Every Gen” in our 9:00 and 10:30 am Sunday Services. This will give families an opportunity to worship side by side - children, parents, and the entire church body, gathered as one. Church is not just a place we send children to learn, but it is a place where children belong. The church is designed to function as one unified body, not divided by age or stage, so we want to provide intentional opportunities for children to experience belonging and growing together alongside their parents and other adults.

WHY YOUR PARTICIPATION IN “ALL TOGETHER” SUNDAYS IS SO VALUABLE

- **So That You Can Be a Part of the Faith Stories of the Next Generation:** Giving kids opportunities to get to know adults of all ages and to be in the midst of them worshipping Jesus, broadens their spiritual understanding beyond what their parents are telling and showing them. We encourage you participate in “All Together” Sundays and to acknowledge the kids around you, look for ways to engage with them, and show them the love of Jesus. (Psalm 145:3-7)
- **So That the Next Generation Can Be Part of Your Faith Story:** God uses those who are young to inspire the faith of adults, as well. We encourage you to come each week with an open heart to be blessed by the younger generation. (1 Timothy 4:12)

WHY ARE WE DOING “ALL TOGETHER” SUNDAYS?

- **Children learn by seeing and experiencing worship:** By singing with joy, praying sincerely, listening to God’s Word, kids begin to understand what genuine faith looks like. (1 Corinthians 11:1)
- **Children witness sacraments and spiritual rhythms:** Witnessing communion, baptisms, prayer, and giving can spark important conversations and deepen a child’s understanding of faith. (We will receive communion on July 5 and host baptisms on July 26 during “All Together” Sundays.)
- **Parents have a biblical responsibility:** God calls parents to take an active role in their children’s spiritual growth - teaching them about faith, worship, and prayer. Church services provide a powerful and visual opportunity for parents to live out this calling in real time. (Deuteronomy 6:6-7; Ephesians 6:4)
- **The Sanctuary becomes familiar:** Children begin to see “big church” as their church. Worship becomes less intimidating and hearing prayer and teaching becomes natural. Understanding God’s Word and its authority increases over time. Seeds planted early can grow into strong, lasting faith. (Romans 10:17)
- **Strengthening the Church Family:** Think of “All Together” Sundays as a big family reunion. Adults get to know and invest in families, church becomes more relational and connected, younger and older generations grow together. The whole church plays a role in reaching the next generation. This is something we commit to when we dedicate children at Ventura Missionary - to partner with families to disciple their children. All Together Sundays can help us get to know these families, speak into their lives, and model what worshipping God looks like. (Psalm 78:4)