



# Children, Youth, and Family Ministry

## 2023-24 SCHEDULE

*(Activities on Sundays unless otherwise noted; Subject to additions and changes.)*

Date	Activity/Event	Time and Location
June 1-Aug. 27	<b>Journey Together</b>	<b>Ongoing</b> <b>10:00 am, Nursery open.</b> <b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
July 9	<b>Journey Together</b>	<b>Family Food Drive</b> during both services; Angela on vacation. <b>10:00 am, Nursery open.</b> <b>10:30 am Worship: NO Children's Chapel</b>
July 16	<b>Journey Together</b>	<b>10:00 am, Nursery open.</b> <b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
July 23	<b>Journey Together</b>	<b>1-3 PM; Sportscenter of CT</b> , Shelton, for ice skating and mini-golf; \$10 donation/pp requested. <b>RSVP by July 21.</b>
Friday, July 28	<b>Pizza, A Love Story</b>	<b>Dinner and a Movie;</b> 6 PM in the Undercroft; \$15 pp
July 30	<b>Journey Together</b>	<b>10:00 am, Nursery open.</b> <b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b>
August 6	<b>Interfaith Service Day</b>	<b>12:00 pm for Trinity volunteers;</b> choose how long and which service projects your family would enjoy; 8:30 AM -4 PM on the green behind Trinity.  <b>10:00 am, Nursery open.</b> <b>10:30 am Worship: NO Children's Chapel</b>
Saturday, August 12	<b>Community Beach Day</b>	<b>10 am-1 pm, West Haven Boardwalk and Beach;</b> Trinity community meets at 300 Capt. Thomas Blvd., West Haven, St. John XXIII Parish parking lot. <b>RSVP by Aug. 10</b>
August 13	<b>Journey Together</b>	<b>10:00 am, Nursery open.</b> <b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
August 20	<b>Journey Together</b>	<b>10:00 am, Nursery open.</b> <b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)

August 27	Back-To-School Blessing and Celebration (Family Worship Service)	10:00 am, Nursery open; Activity sites open; school supply give-away; make rainbow fruit kabobs during coffee hour  10:30 am, Nave: Family Worship Service
September 3	<b>Holiday Weekend: Labor Day</b>	10:00 am, Nursery open. 10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
September 10	Parish Family Picnic	10:30 am, Lighthouse Point Park, New Haven: Activities, food, and fun for all!
September 17	Families Together Crafting with the Wednesday Group <i>(Make tie blankets-- Ordered June 29; Connect with Linus Project and Binky Patrol in CT)</i>	9 am, Nursery open.  9:30 am, Breakfast and Crafting – Gather with Trinity Families for breakfast and a craft.  10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
September 24	Family Worship Service <i>Music by David and Kathleen (confirmed in June)</i>  Baby Blessings Play Group	9 am, Nursery open  10:30 am, Undercroft: Children and their families gather in the Undercroft for their own version of Sunday worship.  Meet in the Nursery at 11 AM for families with babies to meet and play.
Saturday, September 30	Christmas Market Cookie Bake  Eat, Pray, Play (Say Family hosts)	Undercroft, 9 am-Noon  4 pm, Say's Home, Hamden
October 1	Sunday Spark and "Faith Talk"	9 am, Nursery open.  9:30 am, Undercroft: Age appropriate Bible study and faith lessons for children, teens and adults, aged 5-105.  10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
Saturday, October 7	Blessing of Animals  Eat, Pray, Play <b>RAIN DATE</b> , at the Say's	St. Francis Feast Day is Tues., 1-3 pm, Blessing of the Animals At Olympia Farm  4 pm, Say's Home, Hamden

October 8	<b>Families Together: Let's Talk About the Bible</b>	<b>Nursery opens at 9 am</b>  <b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> Introduction to the Bible; book vs. library and literary genres; why it's important; what stories do we remember; what lessons do we learn; plus an activity.  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
October 15	<b>Celebration and Mass at St. Luke's Church</b>	No activities at Trinity
October 22	<b>Families Together Choir</b>	<b>9:30 am, Rehearsal #1</b> , singing during the 10:30 AM Service on Parish Meeting Sunday, Oct. 15.  <b>9 am, Nursery open.</b>  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings or after singing is completed.)
Friday, October 27	<b>Sign up for Christmas Pageant closes</b>	
October 29	<b>Parish Meeting Sunday</b>  <b>Families Together Choir</b>  <b>Family Worship Service and Parish Meeting</b>  <b>Fun and Games</b>	<b>9:30 am, Undercroft: Rehearsal #2</b> , singing during the 10:30 AM Service.  <b>10:30 am, Nave:</b> Children and their families gather in the Nave for worship and the annual Parish Meeting. After the Service, children will come downstairs with Angela while adults are meeting.  Following the Family Worship Service and during the meeting.
November 5; Food Drive advertising begins	<b>All Saints/All Souls Pot Luck "Remember Me" Breakfast and Prayer Service</b> <i>(Inspiration: Disney's Coco)</i>	<b>9:30 am, All Saints/All Souls</b> – Gather with Trinity Families for breakfast and a prayer service.  <b>9 am, Nursery open.</b>  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
November 12 Food Drive advertising continues	<b>Christmas Market set-up</b>	<b>9 am, Nursery open.</b>  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> in the Choir Room (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
November 19;	<b>Teens Collect Food Donations for DESK</b>	<b>7:30-10:45 am:</b> Food is collected at doors of church.

<b>Food Drive for DESK</b> (Downtown Evening Soup Kitchen)	<b>Christmas Market</b>	<b>Nursery CLOSED.</b>  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> in the Choir Room (children dismissed for the scripture readings)  <b>11:45 am-1 pm, Grounds:</b> Teens sort and pack up food donations; deliver to DESK.
November 26; Thanksgiving Weekend	<b>Holiday weekend: No classes</b>	<b>9 am, Nursery open.</b>  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
December 3 <b>Advent Week 1</b>	<b>Family Worship Service</b>  <b>Baby Blessings Play Group</b>	<b>10:30 am Worship, Undercroft:</b> Children and their families gather in the Undercroft for their own version of Sunday worship.  <b>11 am:</b> Families with babies and toddlers meet and play in the Nursery.
December 10 <b>Advent Week 2</b>	<b>Sunday Spark</b>	<b>9 am, Nursery open.</b>  <b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> Age-appropriate Bible study and faith lessons for children, teens, aged 5-18.  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
Saturday, December 16	<b>Christmas Pageant DRESS Rehearsal</b>	<b>10 am, Trinity Church</b>
December 17 <b>Advent Week 3</b>	<b>Christmas Pageant</b>	<b>9:00 am, Nursery open.</b>  <b>9:30 am:</b> Pageant cast arrives at Trinity for pre-performance prayer and preparation. <b>10:30 am Worship:</b> Pageant presented during the Service.  <b>11:30 am: Coffee Hour Celebration</b> of pageant cast
December 24 <b>Christmas Eve Advent Week 4</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Family Worship Service</b>	<b>4 pm, Nave of Trinity Church:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas Festival activities</li> <li>• Distribution of stuffed animals during a dramatic telling of the Christmas story.</li> <li>• Child/Family readers</li> </ul>
December 31, 2023 <b>New Year’s Eve</b>	<b>Happy New Year!</b>	<b>No Classes, Nursery, or Children’s Chapel.</b>
<b>2024</b>		
January 7	<b>Sunday Spark</b>	<b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> Age appropriate Bible study and faith lessons for children, teens and adults, aged 5-105.

	<b>"Faith Talk"</b>	<p><b>9:35 am, Upper Room:</b> Adult faith discussions using "Animate" series</p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>
January 14	<p><b>Family Worship Service</b></p> <p><b>Baby Blessings Play Group</b></p>	<p><b>10:30 am Worship, Undercroft:</b> Children and their families gather in the Undercroft for their own version of Sunday worship.</p> <p><b>11 am:</b> Families with babies and toddlers meet and play in the Nursery.</p>
January 21	<b>Confirmation Preparation</b>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery open.</b></p> <p><b>9:30 am: Confirmation Class</b> For ages 14 and up.</p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>
January 28	<p><b>Families Together: National Lego and Kazoo Day</b> <i>(Legos and Kazoos purchased on June 27, 2023)</i></p>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery open.</b></p> <p><b>9:30 am</b> – Gather with Trinity Families for special activity. See Lego Faith Building book.</p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>
February 4	<p><b>Sunday Spark</b></p> <p><b>"Faith Talk"</b></p>	<p><b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> Age appropriate Bible study and faith lessons for children, teens and adults, aged 5-105.</p> <p><b>9:35 am, Upper Room:</b> Adult faith discussions using "Animate" series</p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>
February 11	<p><b>Family Worship Service</b></p> <p><b>Baby Blessings Play Group</b></p>	<p><b>10:30 am Worship, Undercroft:</b> Children and their families gather in the Undercroft for their own version of Sunday worship.</p> <p><b>11 am:</b> Families with babies and toddlers meet and play in the Nursery.</p>
Wednesday, February 14	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	
February 18 <b>First Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>Families Together: Check out the Lenten Activity Stations!</b>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery open.</b></p> <p><b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> Gather with Trinity Families for special activity.</p>

		<b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
February 25, <b>Second Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>Lenten Stations Open</b>  <b>Confirmation Preparation</b>	<b>9 am, Nursery open.</b>  <b>9:30 am: Confirmation Class</b> For ages 14 and up.  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
March 3 <b>Third Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>Lenten Stations Open</b>  <b>Sunday Spark</b>   <b>“Faith Talk”</b>	<b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> Age appropriate Bible study and faith lessons for children, teens and adults, aged 5-105.  <b>9:35 am, Upper Room:</b> Adult faith discussions using “Animate” series <b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
March 10 <b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>Family Worship Service</b> <b>In the Nave</b>  <b>Baby Blessings Play Group</b>	<b>10:30 am Worship, Undercroft:</b> Children and their families gather in the Undercroft for their own version of Sunday worship.  <b>11 am:</b> Families with babies and toddlers meet and play in the Nursery.
March 17, <b>Fifth Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>Lenten Stations Open</b>  <b>Families Together: Happy St. Patrick’s Day</b>	<b>9 am, Nursery open.</b>  <b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> Gather with Trinity Families for special activity.  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)
March 24, <b>Palm Sunday/Holy Week</b>	<b>Lenten Stations LAST WEEK</b>  <b>Confirmation Preparation</b>	<b>9 am, Nursery open.</b>  <b>9:30 am: Confirmation Class</b> For ages 14 and up.  <b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)

<p><b>March 31</b> <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b></p>	<p>Easter Egg Hunt</p>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery open.</b></p> <p><b>Confirmation during the Service: TBD</b></p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p> <p><b>12:00 or 12:15, following Service.</b></p>
<p>April 7</p>	<p><b>Families Together Yoga and Meditation With Dominique O’Connell</b></p>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery opens.</b></p> <p><b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> A gentle introduction to yoga and meditation suitable for all ages.</p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>
<p>April 14</p>	<p><b>Family Worship Service</b></p> <p><b>Baby Blessings Play Group</b></p>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery open.</b></p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship, Undercroft:</b> Children and their families gather in the Undercroft for their own version of Sunday worship.</p> <p><b>11 am:</b> Families with babies and toddlers meet and play in the Nursery.</p>
<p>April 21</p>	<p><b>Families Together: Sandwich Making for CotG</b> <i>(confirmed with Lisa on July 20, 2023)</i></p>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery open.</b></p> <p><b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> Gather with Trinity Families for special activity.</p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>
<p>April 28</p>	<p><b>Sunday Spark</b></p> <p><b>“Faith Talk”</b></p>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery opens.</b></p> <p><b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> Age appropriate Bible study and faith lessons for children, teens and adults, aged 5-18.</p> <p><b>9:35 am, Upper Room:</b> Adult faith discussions using “Animate” series</p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>
<p>May 5</p>	<p><b>Families Together Choir</b></p>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery opens.</b></p> <p><b>9:30 am, Rehearsal #1 for Mother’s Day;</b> singing at the 10:30 AM Service on May 12.</p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children’s Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>

<p>May 12, <b>Mother's Day</b></p>	<p><b>Families Together Choir</b></p> <p><b>Family Worship Service in the Nave</b></p> <p><b>Baby Blessings Play Group</b></p>	<p><b>9:30 am, Rehearsal #2 for Mother's Day Service at 10:30 AM</b></p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship:</b> Children and their families gather in the Undercroft for their own version of Sunday worship.</p> <p><b>Follows the 10:30 Service, Nursery.</b> Families with babies and toddlers meet and play in the Nursery.</p>
<p>May 19</p>	<p><b>Families Together Yoga and Meditation With Dominique O'Connell</b></p>	<p><b>9 am, Nursery opens.</b></p> <p><b>9:30 am, Undercroft:</b> A gentle introduction to yoga and meditation suitable for all ages.</p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>
<p>May 26 <b>Labor Day Weekend</b></p>	<p><b>Holiday Weekend; No classes or events</b></p>	<p><b>Nursery opens at 9 am.</b></p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>
<p>June 2</p>	<p><b>Journey Together 2024 begins.</b></p>	<p><b>Packs/bags distributed.</b></p> <p><b>10 am, Nursery open.</b></p> <p><b>10:30 am Worship: Children's Chapel</b> (children dismissed for the scripture readings)</p>