

IAC Children's Formation (January 2025)

Age	Sacraments	Atrium/Catechesis	Church life	Set up/space
Under 3	Baptism	- Prenatal prayer & nursery blessing - Baptism cohort: parent/family/godparents formation - Songs & nomenclature	Singing, celebrations Welcome into church rhythms	Nook Nursery
3-6 years old		CGS Level 1 - Mystery of Christ the Good Shepherd and His Eucharistic Presence: the Covenant Relationship - Mystery of the Incarnation (Christmas) - Mystery of the Kingdom of God - Paschal Mystery and Baptism (Easter) - Prayer Wild Wonder Sundays	Atrium care Communion together	Good Shepherd Atrium (before church and through The Peace)
7-9 years old	Holy Communion Reconciliation	CGS Level 2 - Sacramental Formation - Messianic prophecies (Advent) - The Lord's Prayer - Kingdom Parables - Maxims of Jesus - Books of the Bible - History of the Kingdom of God (Creation/Redemption/Parousia) - Continued L1 content Wild Wonder Sundays	Volunteer roles: Reader, communion server Wild Wonder Camp	True Vine Atrium (pre-church Bible study/catechesis & in-church materials)
10-12 years old		CGS Level 3 - Ten Commandments - OT typology - Miracles of Jesus - Armor of Light - Continued L1&2 content Children's Life with God Catechism (in families/small groups) Wild Wonder Sundays	Volunteer roles: [Above, plus] - All Y'all choir - Help plan/lead seasonal services Wild Wonder Camp	True Vine Atrium (pre-church Bible study/catechesis & in-church materials)
13+	Confirmation prep (ages 16+)	- Life with God Catechism (in families/small groups) - Participation in small groups - Youth gatherings - Mentors	Volunteer roles: [Above, plus] - Sound Tech - Atrium Wild Wonder Camp (leader/guide) Wild Wonder Sunday leader	
All	Baptism (as desired) Holy Communion (as desired, w/ parental involvement) Reconciliation	Baptismal/membership promises to care for all the children Inclusion of whole church family as caretakers for all children "Multigenerational"	Small groups/evening prayer, hiking, picnics, outreach, etc. Children-led services	