

LOGOS 2023-2024

Lutie Watkins Memorial Methodist Church

Acts 2:42 "The believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the community, to their shared meals and their prayers." Theme: Battle Ready! (Armor of God) - Ephesians 6: 10-18

1st Semester: Sept. 6 - Dec. 13, 2023 2nd Semester: Jan. 10 - May 1, 2024

The Goal of Logos:

To develop genuine and lasting relationships between young people and Jesus Christ, their pastors, parents, other adults of the congregation, and their peers.

The Purpose of Logos:

- To create an understanding and desire in young people to accept Christ as their personal Lord and Savior
- To develop intelligent, active, and loyal membership and leadership in the Church
- To offer worthwhile Bible study, wholesome recreation, and opportunities for community service, all in a spirit of true Christian fellowship

• To develop the kind of Christians who are able and willing to communicate their faith and assume personal responsibility for the building of God's kingdom

What is the Logos Program?

More than 1,500 churches of all denominations across the country are holding mid-week meetings where young people are finding a new sense of direction, purpose, and deeper relationship in their local church. The program is Logos.

Logos is a national organization and has evolved over the past few decades to meet the needs of today's youth. It is one of the finest programs of Christian nurture for children and youth available to the church today. <u>Logos is not a substitute or replacement for, but</u> <u>rather a strong supplement to, already existing Christian education programs (such as</u> <u>Sunday School)</u>.

Logos enables our church to offer young people all of the dynamics of a good Summer Camp/VBS Program on a weekly basis. In the context of a disciplined and structured program, children enjoy Christian fellowship and growth through creative recreational activities, participation in music and drama, group Bible study focusing on contemporary Christian living, and through sharing dinner together.

The program also provides an opportunity to explore one's identity in a Christian environment. Adults, serving as leaders, will help to develop genuine and lasting relationships between young people. <u>Not only does Logos meet the needs of our children</u>, this program is a valuable tool for church family involvement, as parents and other members of the church are drawn into active participation.

The Logos program is broken into four distinct parts, all of which are equally important to the overall scheme of things: recreation, Bible study, worship and family dinner. All four parts of the program are interrelated and work together to promote a strong sense of Christian fellowship. Since the program requires parental participation, it plays a big role in strengthening individual families, as well as the church family. It shows our young people and their families that they have an important place in God's plan and that they are welcomed and loved wherever God's family gathers together.

LOGOS Registration

- 1. Registration for Logos is done by individual families. Your children will be registered for the whole Logos year (Sept-May). The online registration link can be found on the church website at <u>http://www.lutiesplace.com/logos.html</u>
- Parents are REQUIRED to sign up for some type of supporting participation in the program for the coming year (at least 3 times per semester). Once your children are registered, parents will be sent a SignUp Genius link to select their volunteer dates and times.
- Nursery and Pre-Logos Classes are provided each Wednesday of the Logos program for small children of adult volunteers. You MUST be on campus for your child to be in Pre-Logos.

Enrollment Fees*

Before September 1	<u>After September 1 (Closes Sept. 15th)</u>
1st Child \$150.00	1st Child \$175.00
2nd Child \$125.00	2nd Child \$150.00
3rd Child \$100.00	3rd Child \$125.00
4th Child FREE	4th Child FREE
Pre-Logos \$50.00	Pre-Logos \$50.00

*The cost of enrollment covers the program costs for both semesters, including study materials, craft and recreation supplies, meals for children and volunteers, and a Logos t-shirt for each child participant.

Scholarships and Payment Plan Options

Some <u>Scholarships</u> are available and will be granted on a case by case basis. Anyone requesting a scholarship will need to pay a \$25 application fee per child, which can be applied to a payment plan if needed.

<u>Payment Plans</u>

Single Payment - Due at time of Registration (By September 1, 2023) Two Installments - Half Due at Registration, Remainder Due by January 11, 2024 Three Installments - ½ Due at Registration, ½ Due by Nov. 15, 2023, Remainder Due by March 6, 2024

	PRE-LOGOS	KINDER	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH
3:30-4 PM	SNACK						
4:00-4:25 PM	MUSIC	WORSHIP					
4:30-5:00 PM	RECESS	BIBLE	BIBLE	STUDIO		REC	
5:05-5:35 PM	BIBLE	REC		BIBLE	BIBLE	STL	JDIO
5:40-6:10 PM	CRAFTS	STUDIO		REC		BIBLE	BIBLE
6:15-7 PM	PM DINNER (INCLUDES EVENING ACTIVITY)						

Logos Daily Schedule

LOGOS PROGRAM-THE FOUR PARTS

1. <u>BIBLE</u>

GOAL: To nurture children and young people into intelligent, obedient, Biblically-informed discipleship

2. <u>RECREATION</u>

GOAL: To experience great fun at the expense of no one else.

During both rec and studio times, students are supervised in games, crafts and/or other creative endeavors, learning to interact with others according to the Main Rule of Logos.

3. WORSHIP

GOAL: To develop responsibility for and practice in worship skills, because worship is our primary service to God as disciples.

Worship is the part of Logos in which young people explore ways to express their Christian joy and develop an appreciation for the different parts of the worship service. It involves music, scripture readings and applicable lessons, and participation in various parts of the church service. Young people are encouraged to extend their worship into all parts of their lives.

4. FAMILY TIME

GOAL: To provide a joyous, inter-generational celebration of personhood over a shared meal as we become a family of God

Logos dinner hour is an essential part of the program. By sharing a common meal together, participants develop a unique sense of the family of God. Everyone gets experience in sharing, serving, basic table decorum and communication with others. It is also a time for fun games and activities.

Discipline at Logos

Cooperation with all members of the staff should be stressed by the parents at home. General demeanor at Logos should reflect Christian thought and concern for others. Courtesy is expected at all times whether in study or play.

The Main Rule of Logos is: EVERYONE IS TO TREAT EVERYONE ELSE AS A CHILD OF GOD. NO ONE HAS THE RIGHT TO TREAT ANYONE ELSE AS IF THEY DO NOT MATTER.

Staff and students alike are expected to follow this rule. Disciplinary problems will be dealt with as promptly, realistically and consistently as possible. A shepherd will be responsible for administering time out (area clean-up or kitchen clean-up) when necessary. Typically, a child will get a warning, a time out from the Shepherd, and then a phone call to parents if things don't improve.

Common Parent Questions

HOW DOES MY CHILD GET TO AND FROM LOGOS:

We provide a bus to pick children up from Llano Elementary. This bus is for Kinder-5th Graders, and typically picks up in two shifts. We will provide a list of Logos students to the school, but ask that parents also let their teachers know that their children will be riding the Logos bus. The school has a designated area out front where students will wait for the bus on Logos Wednesdays.

*Pre-Logos will not ride the bus, but will come with their parents.

Parents will need to pick their children up at 7:00pm from the Lutie Watkins' Fellowship Hall. We will have volunteers out front to radio in and call your child out to your car, just like the school pick up line.

HOW IMPORTANT IS IT FOR MY CHILD TO BE IN WORSHIP SERVICE?

VERY!! We feel the Sunday worship experience is central to your child's spiritual growth. We welcome you to join us here at Lutie's, but also understand and encourage you to find a church home wherever you feel is the best fit for you and your family.

CAN'T WE DO AWAY WITH DINNER AND SAVE TIME, TROUBLE & MONEY?

To have only part of the program destroys the essence of its success. It has been shown that eliminating any portion of the program diminishes its importance and impact by over half. The value of Logos is not the activities offered, but a total program of growing relationships.

CAN'T THIS BE ON A SUNDAY?

There is a real value in mid-week education. It serves to teach that religion is not separate from daily activities. It is relevant to young people, as many of their major activities occur during the weekday school year.

DOES THIS COMPETE WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL?

No. In every situation where Logos is used, the tendency has been to upgrade Sunday School. The children come to Sunday School as better friends and with better background knowledge to add to class discussions and activities.

I WORK LATE AND CANNOT EASILY HELP. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

There are many areas where help is needed at different times. The Volunteer Coordinator can help you work out your volunteer assignment. Another family member can also fill in your spot for you, as long as someone is there to represent your child. If you need help, call Brandie at 325-423-2599.

CAN MY NEIGHBOR, WHO BELONGS TO ANOTHER CHURCH, JOIN?

Our program is open to all children in the community! However, it will be occasionally required for children to attend the morning worship service at Lutie Watkins Memorial Methodist Church for our designated Logos Sundays. <u>These dates are included in this packet and on the Logos Calendar of Events.</u>

HOW CAN I BE MORE INVOLVED?

Please contact us if you feel called to serve in any way. This ministry is a blessing to both its children and volunteers and ALL GIFTS are needed. Not every role looks the same, and we promise there is a perfect one for you.

PARENT PARTICIPATION

The Logos program enables parents to fulfill a portion of the basic responsibilities set by God for them in the raising of their children. Parents are to take an active role in their children's lives and are to help with assignments, encourage them in regular participation, be approachable and counsel with them, and rear them in "the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Active participation, by at least one parent of every child in Logos is REQUIRED. Since the staff is voluntary, part-time service by a large number of people is essential to keep the many activities going. At least as important, however, is the "morale boosting" effect of the parent's physical presence and visible support of the program from time to time. This is a vital element in the successful operation of the Logos program. Before the semester begins, parents are required to sign up for at least 3 volunteer slots per semester.

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD IN LOGOS

1. Encourage your child's regular attendance in the program on Logos days, as well as on Logos Sundays.

2. Assist your child in understanding their weekly Logos Bible Lesson. Ask them to tell you about what they learned. Encourage them to ask follow up questions of you or of another adult.

3. Fulfill your commitment to your assigned area of Logos service. Volunteer staff members are committing this time for the development of young people. By giving of your time, you are rendering a vital service to our children. If you cannot make it, please make sure someone is there in your place. All volunteer positions are important!

4. Arrange for prompt payment of Logos fees.

5. Stress the importance of courtesy and good behavior at Logos. Emphasis on these matters at home will greatly ease the work of our shepherd.

IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT: Miranda Rogers Cell: (361) 774-5751 Church: (325) 247-4009 Email: <u>miranda@lutiesplace.com</u>

JOIN OUR REMIND TEXTS FOR WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS:

TEXT @logos202 TO: 81010

	LOGOS 2023-2024	
	CALENDAR	
DATE	Activity	NOTES
		Wear your Orange &
Sept. 6	Homecoming	Black Spirit Gear
Sept. 13	Sculptionary	
Sept. 20	Family Feud	
Sept. 27	Travel Discussion	
Oct. 4	Uno	
Oct. 11	B-I-N-G-0	
Oct. 18	Costume Planning	
Oct. 22	LOGOS Sunday	Children will present at both 9am and 11am services.
Oct. 25	Hocus Pocus Trunk or Treat	Bring your Halloween Costume to change into for dinner
Nov. 1	Aloha	Limbo - Plaque
Nov. 8	Thankful Place	
Nov. 15	Parade Fun	
Nov. 22	THANKSGIVING BREAK	NO LOGOS THIS WEEK
Nov. 29	Observation Game	
Dec. 6	Christmas Caroling	K-4th Caroling- Need Permission Slips
Dec. 10	Christmas Musical	
Dec. 13	Christmas Party	Pizza, PJs, and a Movie
Dec. 20-Jan. 3		NO LOGOS THESE WEEKS

Jan. 10	Best Gift Ever	
Jan. 17	Hog Call	
Jan. 24	Talent Show	
Jan. 31	Duct Duct Goose	
Feb. 7	Finish the Lyrics	
Feb. 14	Love Others	Valentines Deliveries- Need Permission Slips
Feb. 21	Sports Talk	
Feb. 28	Spoon Hang	Plaque
Mar.3	LOGOS Sunday	Children will present at both 9am and 11am services.
 Mar. 6	20 Questions	
Mar. 13	SPRING BREAK	NO LOGOS THIS WEEK
Mar. 20	Back Mail	
Mar. 27	Color Therapy	
Apr. 3	CLUE	Where in the World is Pastor Bryan?
Apr. 10	Teacher Appreciation	Teachers Invited
Apr. 17	Cup Stomp	Plaque
Apr. 24	Family Pictures	
May. 1	LOGOS CLOSING PRESENTATION	
Christmas Musical:	LOGOS Sundays:	
Dec. 10	Oct. 22, 2023	
Doors Open @ 5:30pm	9:00 & 11:00 Services	
Play @ 6:00pm	March 3, 2024	
Play Practices:	9:00 & 11:00 Services	
Starting Nov. 1		
Exact Dates and Times TBD		