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- We take our coffee seriously. And we're guessing that you probably do too. That's why we have ethically sourced and fairly traded coffee available throughout the morning. Help yourself to it at any time. Our treat.
- We take a 10-minute break during the gathering to fill up on coffee, talk with one another, and dismiss children to their classes. We call it Coffee & Connection Time. It's a good time. We hope you aren't scared off by it.
- Nursery care is available for babies who are 24 months and younger. The nursery is located on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor past the Sunday Cinema classrooms. You can take your child there at anytime and our trained teachers will put your mind at ease.
- Sunday Cinema is the name of our summer program for children who are age 2-grade 3. Kids will watch a short movie and participate in a number of fun activities. Since most kids this age can't be trusted in large concrete buildings, we ask that you escort your child to the Sunday Cinema room on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor during Coffee & Connection Time. A check-in table will be located in the room which makes it easier to pick up the same kid that you dropped off.
- Student who are going into grade 4 and older are invited to remain with their parents in the main gathering for our "PG-4+" teaching time. Our speakers will be intentional about using visual and interactive strategies during their teaching, which should be engaging for people of all ages. Plus, students can complete written activities that correspond to the sermon in our summer Momentum Journal (available at the Welcome Centre).
- Want a Bible? We have free copies at the Welcome Centre for you to take home. No strings attached. Just take it and read it.
- Want someone to pray with you? We have people who can pray with you at the end of our gathering. You can tell them as much or as little as you'd like. They won't be nosy and they'll keep it to themselves.

We'd love for you to fill out a Welcome Card at the Welcome Centre. This will give us an idea of who you are and help us respond to any questions that you might have. Don't worry, we won't bother you with annoying phone calls or spam mail. Promise.

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We will participate in the Lord's Supper as part of today's worship gathering. Our communion table is open to anyone who has confessed Jesus Christ as Lord in word and life and are living in right relationship with Him. Parents are encouraged to speak with their children about the meaning and significance of communion so that they can discern their readiness before they participate. If anyone has any questions about the Lord's Supper, please speak with Pastor Keith.

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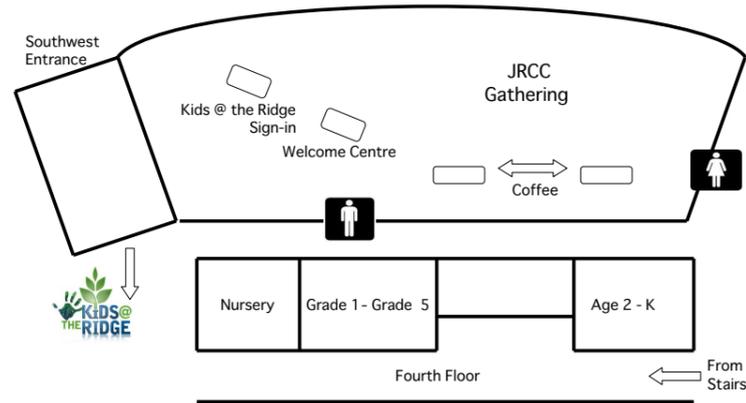
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Core Value Emphasis: Authentic Community

The Apostle Paul used many analogies to describe the church, but his favourite comparison was the body. Like the body, the church is made up of many units and all are important. And when one part is impacted, the entire body feels the ripple effect. This means that we share life with each other so that we can do life together. We value community because we recognize that none of us is as strong as all of us.



Playgrounds & Prayer

Remember to join us for "Playgrounds & Prayer" this upcoming Tuesday at 6:00 pm at the LEC spray park. We'll be getting together to pray for children's ministry and the Willoughby community. Please contact Ruth Ellen Crossley ([children@jerichoridge.com](mailto:children@jerichoridge.com)) for more information.

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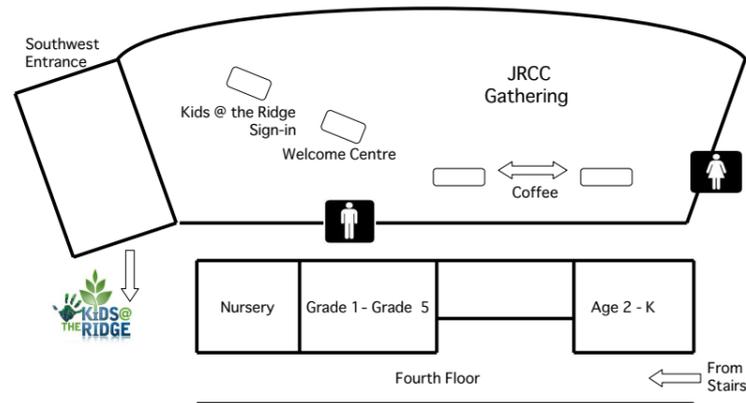
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