

## Family Resources

**Community Book Warehouse:** Anyone in need of children's books can pick out books at 24 N. Walnut Street, Hagerstown, MD 21740. More info at [director@harccoalition.org](mailto:director@harccoalition.org).

**Good Roots Furniture Ministry:** A ministry of First Christian Church in partnership with the Judy Center supplies basic furniture needs for families. Their mission is no child will eat or sleep on the floor. More info or donate, contact Kathy at [KernsKat@wcps.k12.md.us](mailto:KernsKat@wcps.k12.md.us) or call First Christian Church at 301.733.0144.

**APPLES for Children Inc.** - 1825 Howell Rd, ste 3, Hagerstown, MD 21740. A private, non-profit resource and referral agency that works with families, providers, children and community partners to ensure that children have access to high quality, affordable early learning and school age opportunities and experiences that enable them to succeed in school and life. More info at 301.733.0000 or [applesforchildren.org](http://applesforchildren.org).

**Children in Need Inc** is a non-profit organization committed to providing children in Washington County the necessities needed for learning. More info at 301.671.2014 or email [info@childreninneedwashingtoncounty.org](mailto:info@childreninneedwashingtoncounty.org), or visit <https://childreninneedwashingtoncounty.org>.

**Washington County Family Center** is a family-focused program empowering families with young children to become self-sufficient through education, parenting, and personal achievement. More info at [togetherwithfamilies.org](http://togetherwithfamilies.org) or 301.790.4006.

**Pastor Katie:** 240.418.8028 or **Kim Ridenour:** 240.313.0709  
**Church Office:** 301.739.7244

**National Domestic Violence Hotline:** (800) 799-7233 (1-800-799-SAFE)

**National Sexual Assault Hotline:** (800) 656-4673

**Child Abuse Hotline:** (800) 422-4453

**LGBT National Youth Talkline:** (800) 246-7743

**CDC National HIV & AIDS Hotline:** (800) 342-2437

**Alcoholics Anonymous:** (202) 966-9155

**Narcotics Anonymous:** (800) 543-4670

**Gamblers Anonymous:** (855) 222-5542

**24-Hour National Crisis Hotline:** 1-800-448-3000

**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** (800) 273-8255

**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (Espanol):** (888) 628-9454

**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (TDD):** (800) 799-4889



**CHILDREN'S SABBATH SUNDAY**

**October 23, 2022 (Year C)**

Sponsored by *Children's Defense Fund* - [childrensdefense.org](http://childrensdefense.org)  
A Strong, Effective, Independent Voice for ALL the Children of America!

## 2022 CHILDRENS' SABBATH CELEBRATION

The National Observance of Children's Sabbath is always designated for the third weekend in October. This year, it is October 14–16, 2022. The multi-faith Children's Sabbath weekend engages places of worship across the country in focusing prayers, worship, education programs, and action on learning more about the urgent problems facing our nation's children. By exploring sacred texts and teachings that call us to love and protect children, Children's Sabbath encourages communities to respond with outreach and advocacy, and, most importantly, inspire new, year-round action to improve the lives of children.

Sponsored by the Children's Defense Fund, the National Observance of Children's Sabbaths weekend unites faith communities of every religious tradition across the nation to:

- Raise awareness of problems facing children and families in our nation (such as poverty, gun violence, and lack of health care)
- Explore the texts and teachings in religious traditions that call us to nurture and protect children with love and justice
- Engage people of faith in immediate and long-term action to nurture, protect, and seek justice for children

By participating in this multi-faith, nationwide celebration, people of faith gain the inspiration of participating in a larger movement for children and help amplify the voice of our faith communities calling for justice.

