

Christian Education Team Report
July 2013

Our team is growing! We have added an Adult Education Representative, a Nursery Coordinator, and a new Sunday School Coordinator. We are excited to welcome Pastor Sarah to our team as well. Our greatest need right now is for a volunteer to partner with Rebecca Buckland in the Sunday School Coordinator position. We are always welcoming new Sunday School and Children's Church teachers.

We continue to sort out the many tasks involved in running a successful children's education ministry as well as coordinating and encouraging the youth and adult ministries. There is a lot to be done. Our committee strongly feels that we should hire someone to be the Sunday morning point person and Children's Church resource. If we value our children and their growth in the faith, then we should have someone on staff to represent and nurture them.

Vacation Bible School happened in early June. I don't know attendance numbers for children or volunteers from our church. As far as I know everything went smoothly, thanks in large part to New Beginnings and the many dedicated volunteers from all three churches.

We are thankful to everyone who has participated in the "We are the Church" Sunday School classes so far, either by sharing their story or listening. We hope to see more of you in the upcoming weeks! There are still openings if you are ready to share your story. Check the sign-up in the donut hall.

We are also in the process of getting ready for fall. We are ordering curriculum, organizing classroom supplies and setting up teacher training times. The Christian Education office will be housed in what was Pastor Melissa's office, directly off the main office. We are happy to have a place for sharing of resources between children and youth ministries as well as adult ministries.

Christian Education is vitally important to so many of the adults in our congregation. Adult classes are times for fellowship and feeding of our souls. However, our congregation's passion for education cannot stop with the adults. Please prayerfully consider how you can donate your time, energy, or other resources to our children's education. The children of this church would love to get to know you!

Submitted,
Beth Hagemeyer, Chair