

August 4, 2017

Dear Parents of Sunday school children,

Summer's end is fast approaching and the Christian Education Committee is busy preparing for the upcoming Sunday school year. Sunday school supplies are being ordered, Rally Day preparations are being made, and plans are coming into place for a great year of Sunday school!

This year, we will be learning some of the exciting stories of the New Testament. These stories will give you something exciting to talk to your child about each week, and you will get to hear their views. There is always room for new adult faces in Sunday school.

The nursery is open during the 9 am church services for children who are not quite old enough for Sunday school. All children, ages 6 weeks to 3 years, are welcome. The door opens at 8:45 each Sunday. The nursery is also in need of volunteers to play with the children. This year, we would like to have mini lessons with our nursery-age children. They will hear age appropriate bible stories and learn songs each week.

Rally Day is scheduled for Sunday, August 27. Since this is the fourth Sunday of the month, Sunday school will take place at 10:15. The children will be making "God's Survival Kits", for each person to take home and one to give to someone in need. There is also an adult Sunday school at this time that will focus on the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation.

There is also an opportunity for younger children to be involved in the church services each week. You have seen the junior and senior high children acting as acolytes each week. We are also giving 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders the opportunity to acolyte. If you are interested, please contact me. Dates for training sessions will be available soon.

Each year, we ask that all children register for Sunday school. This updates our information with any changes that have occurred in the last year. A form is enclosed with this letter. They can be found outside the church office. Please return your form to the Sunday school office at your earliest convenience. Please use one form per child.

Please contact me at [sjchristianeducation@verizon.net](mailto:sjchristianeducation@verizon.net) with any questions or if you would like information in becoming a Sunday School volunteer. I look forward to seeing everyone on Rally Day and throughout the Sunday school year!

Blessings,  
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Director of Christian Education