

# Children's Ministry Report

July 17, 2014

## **Rhonda's Mission Statement**

*To teach the children to love God, love others and share that love with the world. To teach the children to memorize scripture that will affect the way they live their lives.*

We did not have a Children's Team meeting in July due to scheduled VBS Training meetings. I am reevaluating the purpose of our meetings to determine the need for monthly meetings. I am leaning towards scheduled "planning meetings" as certain programs are executed. Our next scheduled meeting is September 3 at 6:30 PM in the Cornerstone Conference Room to discuss the upcoming K-5 Alive Program.

## **Children' Church**

Children's Church will continue to be held in the Sanctuary on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month. There will not be children's church on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month so that the children can experience the full worship service with their parents on Communion Sundays.

There is not Children's Church on our Unity Service Sundays, so that staff and volunteers are able to attend the worship service. Those upcoming 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Unity Services are August 31 and November 30.

## **Sunday School**

The summer quarter is winding down, so Rhonda will be on the look-out for Sunday School teachers to fill our three elementary classrooms for the Fall quarter (Sept/Oct/Nov). Our three elementary classrooms are Preschool (Ages 3 & 4 through Kindergarten), Grades 1 & 2, and Grades 3-5. If you have an interest in teaching a SS class or being a helper in one of our younger elementary classes, please call the church office and speak to Rhonda.

## **VBS – Weird Animals**

Our yearly VBS program will take place on Monday-Thursday, July 28–31, from 6-8:30 PM, with supper served at 5:30 PM. Registration opens at 5:15 each night.

After a 6-week-long search, we are adequately staffed with 63 adult and youth volunteers. Thank you to Valerie Ray for her help with recruiting.

Rhonda held three VBS training meetings at 6:30 PM on June 24 and 25, and July 2, in which about 23 people were in attendance. Several others have touched based individually.

## **K-5 Alive**

This Wednesday after-school program for Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> Graders will again take place on Wednesday afternoons from 3:15-5:00 PM, starting October 1, 2014. This program runs through the month of April. So far, Rhonda has commitments from Judy Headley, Lilli Crooks, and Emilee Butner to help with this program. She will be needing 1 or 2 more adults.

We currently are in prayer about the possibility of a 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade ministry program. Karen Butner is assisting Rhonda in talking to parents to see what day of the week would work best to get their kids here. Finding adequate staffing is also being sought.

**Calendar Dates**

M-TH, July 28-31

6-8:30 p.m. VBS, 5:30 p.m. dinner for helpers & registered kids.

Sun., Aug 3

Special VBS Music in both Services

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4:30 p.m. VBS Follow-up Meeting and VBS tear down.

Week of Aug. 17

Go through Buzz Curriculum to line out dates for Fall Quarter, due to five weeks in August.

Sun., Aug 24

Tentative Scheduled Acolyte Training, time to be determined.