



September 2023 Sunday School Newsletter

Welcome to Sunday School - Something for Everyone

Welcome Families! The Christian Education team is excited for the upcoming Sunday School year. Classes meet each Sunday from 10:00am to 10:45am. Check the calendar in your registration packet or on the bulletin board in the main hallway for information about the curriculum, schedule, and special events.

While your children are in Sunday School, you are invited to participate in any of the following activities. Check the weekly Messenger for details.

1. Adult Faith & Life Class – Meets in Fellowship Hall to discuss a variety of topics geared toward connecting faith to everyday life.
2. Café - Enjoy coffee, baked goodies, and welcoming conversation in our Café, located near the sanctuary.
3. Volunteer – Get involved as a Nursery assistant, Sunday School assistant, or Café barista. Contact the church office or visit godslovenewtown.org/signups.

Watch for details about the next Young Adults Night Out coming up in October.

Meet the Teachers

We are excited to introduce this year's teachers and Christian education team:

- 3s & under (Childcare in the Nursery): Jenn Pizzigoni & assistant
- 4s & Kindergarten (Room B4): Allison Dunkerley & Jeff Hufnagle
- 1st & 2nd Grade (Room B1): Ingrid Johnson & Rebecca Wotherspoon
- 3rd & 4th Grade (Room A1): John Connors & Nancy Smoose
- 5th & 6th Grade (Room A2): Nancy Maguire, Glen McDonnell, & Carol Zetterberg
- Confirmation and Youth Ministry (Loft): Julie Eastburn, Pr. Brandi, & others
- Adult Faith & Life (Fellowship Hall): Susan McDonnell, Pr. Dan, & others

All teachers have completed background checks and our Child Safety training. A copy of our Child Safety policy is available in the church office.

Weekly Offering

A monetary offering, in any amount, is collected at Sunday School each week to benefit **God's Global Barnyard**. This ELCA program supports sustainable development projects for farmers and families in impoverished countries. Each school year we set a fundraising goal. This year's goal is \$715 to fund a family farm. Watch our progress on the thermometer in the main hallway. For more information visit elca.org/goodgifts.

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Save these Dates: (More information to follow)

Sunday, October 15: Red Balloon Sunday – Sunday school students attend worship and sit as a class with their teachers (8:45am or 11:00am).

Sunday, October 29: Reformation/Confirmation Sunday (one worship service at 9:30am) – On this celebratory festival Sunday, students will lead the singing of “Lord I Lift Your Name on High” during worship.

God’s Love Nursery

Good news: our nursery is now staffed on Sunday mornings! Childcare is available from 8:30am to 12:30pm while parents attend worship and other Sunday morning church activities. Contact the church office if you are willing to take a turn serving as an assistant alongside our Nursery Attendant, Jenn Pizzigoni.

Worship:

Our Sunday worship services are at

- **8:45am** with organ and choirs
- **11:00am** with praise band
- **Online** any time

Children of all ages are welcome in worship. Visit godslovenewtown.org/worship for more information.

The Messenger:

The Messenger, the weekly congregational newsletter, includes all the good news and information from church. Watch for it in your email or read it online at godslovenewtown.org/connect/newsletters.