

Education and Nurture

Notes from May 8, 2018 meeting

In attendance were Pastor Crystal, Andrew Harper, Chris Wilson, and Susan Fulp
Prayer and devotion

Shouts of Joy! Youth/UMKids musical and youth led worship

Nursery- Jeanie nothing to report

Children's Church nothing to report

Children's Ministries-Chris The Easter Egg hunt was filled with egg-cellent children and youth coming together to hear the Easter Story told by Pastor Crystal and hunt plenty of eggs. The Easter Bunny even stopped by for a surprise visit.

UMKids have finished up their year with an outstanding performance of "Not Your Average Joe" on April 29th at the 1100 am service followed by a pool party at the Aquatics Center that afternoon. UMKids will have a "summer splash" in June and August.

Thinking of summer days... **Mark your calendars to come Experience *Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School 2018, July 16~19 from 5-8 pm*** Rolling River Rampage invites rafters of all ages on a whitewater rafting adventure to experience the ride of a lifetime with God! Along the river, Rafters discover that life with God is an adventure full of wonder and surprise, and that they can trust God to be with them through anything. **Volunteers are Needed~** Contact Susan Fulp

Youth- Andrew 4 Confirmands will be confirmed this Sunday, May 13 at 9:45. 12 Confirmands will be confirmed on May 20 at 11:00. 2 Sundays ago was our last Youth group meeting. This past Sunday was Youth Sunday as well as the last Sunday for Confirmation. I'm currently planning small events throughout the summer to keep people involved, but low planning and come as you are type events; movie nights, slip n' slide kickball, nerf war etc. Senior Sunday is June 10th at 9:45 & 11:00 with 14 graduates to celebrate. We are meeting as a scholarship team May 17th to discern which of our youth will receive the SUMC scholarships. The high school youth (40) and (20) adults are going on ASP June 17th. Possibly have youth kick off on Aug. 26

College- Angee The following was in the Scoop/bulletin: -April is "Reveal Month!" By mid April - please send your last letter or package to your assigned College Student and reveal your identity. Please provide them with your name and address in case they want to send you a Thank You card. Include more info. if you desire (ex. phone #, an invite to lunch). We hope you have enjoyed this Mission opportunity in helping our College Students stay connected to Church!

-PLEASE consider being a Church Mouse Volunteer again next school year!

Do you know a Church Member that needs to sign up their College Student for next year? Sign up forms are on the Church website (Please note - all College Student info. needs to be updated annually by Sept. 15 to remain in the program. Thank you!)

Church Mouse program winding down for the year. I plan to send thank you cards with a pack of seeds included to all of the Volunteers.

Family Ministries-Bryson Beach Family Picnic date set for Aug. 15, Wed. 5:30-7:30.
Movie night set for Friday, June 29.

Sunday School- Megan Fahy There is still a need for teachers for the 2 year old (1) for the odd months; a teacher for every month or (2) to rotate for the Pre-K class as well as a second teacher for the 4/5th grade class. The new attendance info sheets are being completed to better track who is attending. Please see additional handout of the letter for our SS teachers. Jr

High/High school classes have been combined for the summer months. Aug. 26 will be promotion Sunday.

Daycare-Betty and Becky We are gearing up for the start of summer. Graduation is May 21st. We have 35 children graduating. We had the Fire and Police Depts. come to talk about safety.

Our older children have been learning about Farms: what we get from a farm, veggies, milk, etc. The outdoors: bugs, growing different types of grass, what the rain and sun does for plants and animals. They made a sundial. For earth they were the litter patrol in the church yard. They are making Mother's Day gifts and talking about Family. Their bible is "Commit everything you do to the Lord. Trust him, and he will help you" Isaiah 40:8

The younger classes are learning about nature, trees, plants, caterpillars into butterflies. They are doing texture painting with things found in the nature (leaves, pine cone, grass etc). They are making fingerprint caterpillars. Making Mother's Day gifts. Their Bible story is "The story of Ruth"
Busy children are happy children.

Closed with prayer.

NEXT MEETING Aug. 14, 2018 at 6:30 pm