

Sunday School Church School Report 2016

In the fall of 2015 Sunday school started a new curriculum called Weaving God's Promises. We used this curriculum to mirror the church as they were doing a bible in a year.

The first part of 2016 we continued this curriculum as part of the 2015/2016 school year. We were concentrating on moving through the bible in a year. We moved from Epiphany and the baptism of Jesus in January of 2016 to Pentecost in May of 2016. In June we focused on a few lessons outside the bible. In June we celebrated the end of Sunday school for 2016. We ended the 2016 Sunday school year on June 12 which lined up with the church picnic.

The Summer VBS program which was held at the Clinton UCC had a Super Heroes theme. Pastor Susie volunteered her time this past summer as well as Arianna as a helper. Children involved in VBS this past summer included Christopher and Kiya.

Sunday school started back up on September 11th. As the new school year came about we decided to focus on heroes of the Bible. Fortunately, we were still able to use the curriculum from Weaving God's Promise.

This year we have covered heroes such as Samson, Hannah and Samuel, Jeremiah, Jonah, Joseph, and Mary. Some of these heroes have a long standing significant background that children know about and some of them have a less known story that we were able to expose the children to.

In addition to this curriculum we also have another curriculum that we have slightly been able to dabble into. This new curriculum is called Meet The Saints, it's a book written by 2 Episcopal priests; Melody Wilson Shobe and Lindsay Hardin Freeman, and published by Forward Movement; which is not a publishing company but a ministry. Their mission is to support you in your spiritual journey, to help you grow as a follower of Jesus Christ. We will be using this book more in 2017, in addition to possibly other books to bring knowledge to our children about the heroes of the bible and of our faith.

The people who make Sunday school possible include Brenda Squier and Kristen Maylone who teach Sunday school as well as Allison who assists in Sunday school. As well as St. John's Parish who financially support Sunday school and each parent who sends their child to St. John's Sunday school. In addition to Sunday school Kathy Stevens manages the nursery and Arianna assists in nursery.