

OCTOBER 2009

TEACHER NEWSLETTER

Sunday School Special Events for October:

- 4 Communion Sunday;
Confirmation Class
- 11 Columbus Weekend;
Homecoming Sunday
- 18 Confirmation Class; kit
collection ends; CSCC
tree dedication
- 25 UNICEF & Halloween
Parade; Organ
Dedication

Questions, concerns, issues, problems?

We are here to help!

**Dates and times of
Board of Christian
Education Meetings
are posted on the
Church calendar at**

www.deepriverchurch.org

Please join us!

We put teachers first on
the agenda, so you
don't have to stay for
the entire meeting!

Back in the swing of things

It has been busy the last few weeks of Sunday School. Attendance has been great and it seems all the children have settled in and are adjusting well. I would also like to mention that new class lists should be distributed shortly with all the updates for I have many of the registration forms in. I will also be making the teacher/substitute list within the next few weeks. You may contact me if you need any information before then.

Youth Communion Service

Please remind your class, from the 5th grade up, that on the first Sunday of each month they are invited to our Youth Communion Service at 10 am. All should meet in the Fellowship Hall, take a chair and form rows for the Service. After the service is over they are to go to their classroom. All teachers are invited and encouraged to attend.

UNICEF Sunday & Halloween Parade

Halloween/UNICEF Sunday will be on October 25th. All children, 4 years old on up, will meet in the Fellowship Hall by 9:40 am in costume. As the children arrive gather the ones that are in your class. At 10:00 am we will proceed into the Sanctuary, march up the center aisle and then split off to go down the sides. When the first part of the line reaches the last pew on the sides the parade will halt and the 7th/8th grade class will give the UNICEF Sermon. (At this point some children will be sitting in the center aisle, which is fine; because once the sermon is finished the parade will start up again.) The children will then return to their classrooms with you. The Board of Christian Education will bring treats and juice into each class for your snack. *Because this is such a busy day, I urge that all teachers be present.*

October's Group's Hands-on

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lesson #</u>
4	5
11	6
18	7
25	8 and UNICEF Sunday

For tips/ideas log onto:

[www.handsonbible.com/
teacher/default.asp](http://www.handsonbible.com/teacher/default.asp)

**Contact Sybil
with any
questions!**

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Updates and Requests

- Teachers, please make sure Church is dismissed before letting your class out, especially the older children from 5th grade up. I know it is hard to determine at times when the service is over, but have your class aide check for you. Ever year I receive complaints from those who prepare coffee hour that the children are eating all the food before the service gets out. So to avoid any conflicts, please keep them in the class. If you run out of materials, maybe you can discuss what they liked/disliked about today's subject and/or what lessons will be discussed in the upcoming weeks.
- Every class has their own bulletin board for decorating. The Welcome Back signs can come down and your class work can go up. I ask that you keep the boards covered with class materials throughout the year. Feel free to change the background color if need be.
- Calling all Volunteer Applications! Every teacher was given a Volunteer Application to fill out to comply with Safe Church. There are many that have not been returned. Please do so this week and drop it off in my office.

Visit Our Teacher's Web Page

Visit our new Teacher Web Page on our church web site!

www.deepriverchurch.org

Find quick links to Groups Hands-on Bible Curriculum for:

- Teacher Tips
- Scope & Sequence
- Why Gizmos Work?
- Grade Level Assistance

Plus you can download the Teacher Newsletter in print format!

If you would like to see any other links added, just let me know!