

**Christian Education Ministry - Minutes  
September 21, 2021**

**Rev. Kim Nagy opened the meeting in prayer.**

**Kim Nagy shared a faith formation report with the committee:**

*Confirmation* - 3 students with our 2021-22 class beginning October 3

*J-Walkers* - Small group of mostly boys, Access Sunday October 10

*United Youth Force* - Bake off, Hike, Mission Trip Prep

*Adult Education* - "Our Time is Now" with LaTasha Dukes September + October  
"Inspired" via Zoom Wednesdays beginning September 29

**Neither Becky Dunlap or Kim Nagy were present at the last council meeting. We'll receive a report from council next month.**

**There was no old business to report since we haven't been meeting.**

**New business was as follows.**

*Review Mission Spending Plan CE Budget for 2022* - The committee agreed that numbers for the 2020 mission spending plan budget were on track with what we hope will be a more normal 2022. With plans to host VBS next summer, the only request was for \$250 more in our VBS line in the budget, which would bring that line item to \$750.

*October Greeters* - Eileen West, who serves on the Hospitality and Membership Committee, shared that four greeters per Sunday are needed now that we're back to worshipping in person. She shared that the H&M Committee thought it would be a good idea to ask other committees to help with volunteers for greeters and wanted to know if Christian Education would be willing to greet in October. Kim agreed to create a SignUp Genius to send to the committee and youth groups to sign up for October dates. Eileen will reach out to Glenn Hanniford for written greeter instructions.

*COVID-19 Updates* - Kim Nagy shared updates regarding the Health and Safety Updates for In Person Worship and Ministry document, which was sent for all committee members to review. Until babies and children are able to get vaccinated, the plan is to put nursery care and Sunday school on hold. Committee members tossed around some creative ideas to keep Kent UCC children engaged, such as a fun holiday activity, the church singing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" to send to the kids in a video, or having the J-Walkers and UYF groups host something for the kids. Nothing official was decided upon, but committee members will continue to brainstorm ideas and make something happen.

*Hungerford Scholarship* - Pastor Kim will circulate applications and hope to have some applicants for review at our next meeting.

*Children's Director of Worship + The Arts* - Rhuna Wall got married and moved to southern Ohio with her husband! She will be missed!!! The job search to fill this position is on hold for now since we aren't singing in worship. Pastor Kim is thinking of some creative ways to make a Christmas program happen during Advent.

### **Upcoming Dates**

September 26 - Confirmation Blessing in Worship, Blessing of the Animals at 4 p.m.

October 3 - World Communion Sunday

October 10 - Access Sunday led by J-Walkers

October 17 - Laity Sunday

October 24 - Stewardship Campaign Begins

October 31 - Reformation Sunday/All Saints Sunday

### **Bible Verse for October**

"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves; ensure justice for those being crushed. Yes, speak up for the poor and helpless, and see that they get justice."

Proverbs 31:8-9

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, October 19 at 6 p.m. via Zoom.