

Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministry Report – October 9, 2019

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Sunday School

- Sunday School is just wrapping up its first rotation for the pre-kindergarteners, kindergarteners, and 1st-4th graders. Sunday School seems to be well-attended with the Pre-K and Kindergarten room almost bursting at the seams!
- Our new 5th and 6th grade Sunday School curriculum, Connect, seems to be going well. Teacher Mary Deters enjoys teaching (I think? 😊) and the students have said they “love it!”

Release Time

- Our Release Time programming has started. So far, we have met with 3rd graders, Kindergarteners, and 1st graders – they seem to be enjoying our lessons and activities.
- Teaming up with Calvary is going really well!

Trinity U

- We had our first Core class of the year. Pastor Elizabeth and I had a debrief with the mentors after the fact and there are some changes we will make to the schedule of the Core evenings.
- Trinity U electives are starting up with the electives in October including the following: acolyte training; creative writing; living with a disability; stars, s'mores, and song; trick-or-canning; and fall clean-up.

3:16s

- 3:16s is going wonderfully. We have many 9th graders coming every week and we have some great conversations about life and faith.
- My next step is to figure out how to get other high schoolers to 3:16s, i.e. 10th-12th graders.

Confirmation/Affirmation of Baptism

- The Affirmation of Baptism service for our 10th grade students will be Sunday, October 27. We have 8 Trinity students being confirmed in October.
- Pastor Elizabeth will also be doing the confirmation of Wilmington 10th graders at Wilmington Lutheran on Sunday, October 13. There are 3 students being confirmed from Wilmington.

Servant Sunday – Indianapolis report

- Our youth who attended the Indianapolis mission trip last summer shared their experiences during worship on Sunday, September 29.
- I think Trinity members appreciated hearing what their youth did in Indianapolis.
- Some constructive criticism I have heard and will try to improve upon next time is that youth should speak louder and not read directly from their phones.