Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministry Report – December 11, 2019

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Sunday School

- Our Sunday School Christmas programs will be during worship on December 15th. The theme for the preschool and kindergarten program is "Bright Star, Bright Star, What Do You See?" and the theme for 1st-6th grade is "Joy Came Into the World."
- Sunday School will be on a hiatus for Christmas until January 5.

Release Time

• Our Release Time programming has gone through three rotations. This year we are focusing on "big" Bible verses, ones that every Christian should know. So far we have covered Psalm 139:14, Jeremiah 29:11, and John 3:16.

Trinity U

- We just had our third Core class of the year. Pastor Elizabeth taught on the prophets.
- Trinity U electives in November went very well! Electives in December include: The Teen Girl's Survival Guide, Christmas Caroling, and Spiritual Yoga.

Middle School Game Night

- 7th and 8th graders come to my house every other Friday for a time of fellowship and games! We have had a fun time so far and will continue to meet until December.
- Our last MSGN of the year will be a Christmas party on December 13. We'll resume again in January.

3:16s

• Our last 3:16s of the year will be a Christmas party on December 11. We'll resume again in January.

Puerto Rico

- We currently have 9 youth and 8 adults signed up to go to Puerto Rico. There are a few people who are considering dropping out and a few people who are considering taking their spots.
- We have our first meeting as a group on Sunday, December 8.
- I am working on itinerary, booking flights, hotels, and transportation.

Thanksgiving Pies

• Youth made 56 pies on Wednesday, November 27. We made \$746 to go toward youth programming at Trinity. Peggy Landsom is so wonderful to volunteer her time to help us roll the crusts!

Maternity Leave

• I have met with Kaitlin Bratland and she seems very happy to fill in for me when I am on maternity leave. We are going over specific responsibilities and I am working on having everything prepared for her during those six weeks.

Vacation

• I will be in Chicago with Willy at a Band Directors conference from December 18-21. I plan on bringing a laptop to get some work done while there.