St. Thomas
United Methodist Church

Monthly Ministry Area Report for Church Council

Our Values: *Biblically Grounded*, *Relational, Mission-Minded*, *Faithful*, *Joyful*

Our Mission: *We exist to reach, nourish, and serve the community so all may experience healing and new life through Jesus Christ.*

Our Strategic Priorities: *Worship, Christian Formation, Outreach and Mission, Administration and Support, Buildings and Grounds*

Name of Person Completing Report:
Kristi Swanson

Today's Date (m/d/yy):
12/14/21

Ministry Area, Committee, Board, or Team:
Children's Council

1. Please note your accomplishments for this month (Please include accomplishments from tasks outlined in the Strategic Plan and Essential Systems Timeline):

   Christian Formation - Family Advent Night
   Christian Formation, Outreach and Mission - Tweens Escape Room and Toy Donation
   Christian Formation - Sunday School continues
   Worship - Children's Church continues
   Worship, Christian Formation, Outreach and Mission - Christmas Pageant

2. What specific items of celebration or concern would you like to share?

   We are pleased with the turnout of Family Advent Night. The dress rehearsal for the Christmas Pageant went well, and we look forward to performing on 12/19. We are thankful that Kyle Johnson and Karen King will join us next month.

3. What are your objectives for the next month? What church priority does each objective address?

   Christian Formation - Begin new Sunday School series in our curriculum.
   Christian Formation, Outreach and Mission - Tweens event.
   Christian Formation, Outreach and Mission - Begin planning for VBS and summer camps.
   Administration and Support - Test Grow Curriculum option and research attendance and contact systems for the new year.

4. How can the Church Council assist your efforts?

   Continue to support our goals and events. Thank you!

5. What can the Church Council specifically pray for?

   Please pray that more children will be able and willing to return to church and that we will be able to continue to guide their growth in faith as the group grows in size. Pray specifically that the Tweens age group is blessed with additional participants.