

## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 15, 2020

Dear Parents and Youth:

I am so excited to announce that Wednesday evening youth is starting back up! I wanted to wait until after school started to see how things went. This letter applies only to our youth (grades 5-12). Children's Ministry (including Mini Methodists) leaders have not set a date to resume Wednesday night activities.

Our first night back together is going to be Wednesday September 23, 2020. Youth will meet from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Drinks and snacks will be provided. If you have your own Bible, please bring it with you. Otherwise, we will provide you one that you can keep with you.

Please review the protocols for Wednesday night, as we must follow some strict guidelines until the pandemic is officially declared to be over. It is <u>very important</u> that you understand the guidelines, as your safety and that of others is our top priority as we go forward during this time. So...if you have any questions, feel free to call the church office at the number shown below.

I have missed seeing everybody and I am really excited for us to be back together again! Love to all!

In Christ,

Olivia Pannell

Director of Youth Ministries

P.S. There is a secret message from me to you found in 3 John 1:13-14!



## Youth Wednesday Night Activities

## COVID-19

- Everyone will enter and exit the church through the Fellowship Hall. The youth will meet in the Fellowship Hall, the hallway will be open ONLY for bathrooms. The rest of the church will be OFF LIMITS.
- Prior to Wednesday night gatherings, the room will be sanitized, and all surface will be wiped down.
- Available inside the Fellowship Hall will be, hand sanitizer, paper towels and Kleenex.
- Masks are required to enter the church; masks are also required while in the building. Youth and leaders will follow social distancing guidelines as well (6FT apart). Masks will be available at the door for anyone who forgets theirs.
- If a leader or youth are showing symptoms of COVID-19, not feeling well, or has been around someone who has recently LAB tested positive, we ask that they do not come. We also ask that if a youth has been sent home from school for health reasons, they also do not come.
- No food (dinner) will be served for the time being. Canned drinks and battled water will be provided.
- Youth and leaders will also be asked to discard their own trash and check the area around them for any personal belongings or beverages.
- After Wednesday Night gatherings, the room will once again be sanitized using the same protocols that follow Sunday service.
- If a youth or leader comes down with COVID-19, the church asks to be notified immediately.
- If the church or a school district in the area shuts down due to COVID-19, we will follow suit.