

## Religious Education Team Meeting

December 4, 2016

12:30 pm

**Team Members:** Bill Raney- chair, Tracy VanQuaethem, Nelson Maurice, Raegan Buatte, Jessica Mattingly, Joe Robertson, Ralph Tomlinson, Barbara Tomlinson, Martin Tomlinson, Shawna Fortunato, Joyce Jonasson and the Rev. Judith Cady, minister of religious education.

### Agenda Items

- **Mitten Tree for reStart:** We are getting lots of mittens for reStart. The mittens will be delivered to reStart before Christmas.
- **Teacher's Meeting Nov. 13:** We discussed procedures and safety guidelines at our teacher's meeting on November 13.
- **Teen Class social justice issues:** Our teen class decided on social justice issues that they wanted to explore this year. They have explored issues related to sexism, GLBTQ concerns, Standing Rock and the Dakota Access Pipeline. In January and February they will be discussing issues related to racism and education inequality.
- **Christmas and New Year's Day:** Since Christmas Day and New Year's Day are both on Sundays this year, there will be special events for congregants and their families on those days. There will be no Sunday School programs so that our RE teachers can spend the holidays with their own families.
- **Christmas Day Brunch:** All Souls is hosting a Christmas brunch on Sunday, Dec. 25. All of our families with children are invited to attend the brunch. Caring Connections, Children & Youth Education
- **Caring Connection:** Our children made holiday greeting cards to be given to shut-ins by the Caring Connection.
- **December 18: multigenerational service:** Judith will participate in a multigenerational service on December 18.
- **OWL Program for grades 7-9: January-February:** In conjunction with the Shawnee Mission UU church, we will be offering the OWL program for grades 7-9 in January through February of 2017.