

Simsbury United Methodist Church 2016 - 2017 Charge Conference Report Monday, December 5, 2016, 7:30 pm

Church School

By Debbie Beckius Coordinator

Attendance 2016

	Avg. # of students	Highest #	Lowest #	# of adult volunteers
JanMay	30	36 (Feb. 21 st)	19 (May 1 ^{st)}	12-13 (6 classes)
SeptNov.	32	45 (Rally Day)	25 (3 Sundays)	10 (5 classes)

*We had a slight drop in the number of children attending our church school programs due to families moving out of state over the summer. On the flip side, we have had a few new families that have begun to spend time with us on Sunday mornings.

Preschool/Pre-K

- Students are taught using Cokesbury's Deep Blue curriculum
- There are only 1-2 children attending each week
- Dorothy Cowles stops in most Sunday mornings for music time

Kindergarten-5th grade

- Taught using PowerXpress Bible Experience Stations. This is a rotational model of learning. Each class has assigned shepherds that are with them each week. Classes visit different classrooms each Sunday for art, storytelling, movie, cooking/science and games lessons.
- Average number of students per class each Sunday:
 - K/1st grade- 5 2nd/3rd grade- 6-7 4th-5th grade- 8

Jr. Youth Class

- The Curriculum used for this class is Cokesbury's Submerge
- There are 9-16 students attending each Sunday

Vacation Bible School

The VBS Board has selected Cokesbury's Hero Central: Discover Your Strength in God. The tentative dates for Vacation Bible School are June 19th-23rd. We are still looking for someone to replace Nicole Bengard as head of the VBS Board.

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors