Rev. Don Gebhard
Ad Board Report

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**Family Ministry Highlights**

**Children's Director:**

Danielle Witt: Is starting the final unit of Kidventure for this semester.  The final Bible Blast was held last weekend for our 3rd graders.  The class invited all of their parents to come and challenge them to some fun Bible games!  Danielle continues to offer engaging monthly programs for our 4th and 5th-grades as well.

**Administrative Assistant:**

Laurie Sokalski is doing some great fill-in work for us currently.  We are grateful for her help here, she is awesome!  Danielle, Cheryl, Vania, and Rachel all feel supported and are all in regular communication with Lori and myself regarding their needs. Laurie has also been a tremendous help with the scholarship process this Spring!

**HS Director and MS Director:**

Vania Stevenson & Cheryl Pami:

Cheryl is leading B1 this weekend with Vania as I finish this report! I continue to appreciate her extra veteran leadership in these larger student ministry offerings as Vania is still experiencing many of our Student Ministry events for the first time.  Cheryl continues to offer Monday fellowship and Wednesday Boys and Girl small groups for our High School Students and Vania is still on Wednesday nights.

I am thrilled to report that both of these ladies applied and were accepted into the Princeton Seminary Youth Ministry - 1-year Certification program.  Their orientation/beginning was last week, both report that it was terrific!  This is the first time two staff members from the same congregation are in the program at the same time.  I am thrilled for both Cheryl and Vania (and thrilled for Trinity).

**Creative Activities:**

Tim Sink:  Another good month in Creative Activities. Tim was in 3/4 weeks and Regina Cedeno was able to take his place as a sub one week!  Big numbers continue here.

**Nursery:**

Kristi McCollum: Continues to do a great job with our Nursery in the midst of caring for her mother this past month (Rehab and now at home).  Grateful she was able to take on the new responsibilities for us regarding the general childcare needs of the Church.

**VBS Director:**

Rachel Savokinas:  VBS is coming together!  Rachel and I have been brainstorming about preschool rec and what volunteers to put in this area.  We have also spent time planning the upcoming Trinity Memorial Day parade as well as VBS Family Night.

**Pastoral Highlights:**

* 2 Meeting about and Upcoming Seniors Resource Day with Denise Maguire, a community leader who has experience in this area
* Friday visitation with Sharon Hoff, what a joy to have her as part of our pastoral team!
* 1 Funeral – Graveside – Hope, NJ
* Lead Music at 2 9:15 services
* 3 Premarital sessions
* 1 Wedding Officiated
* 3 Leadership over the Sacraments
* Higher Board of Education Scholarship Review Day-Ocean, NJ
* Ongoing Support of parishioners via social media
* 1 B1 Support and Co Lead Friday evening devotion
* Family Ministry Staff – Ongoing Support
* 2 visits to Barn Hill Rehab Center
* Ongoing Family and individual Counseling and support
* 1 Chapel Worship Leadership, Preaching and Communion
* 1 Visit to Newton Hospital
* 1 Saturday Night Preaching & Communion
* 1 Zone Event – May 11th 7th and 8th grade community outreach and prevention event
* Weekly SNW band rehearsal and leadership
* Trinity House Media Support as well as other Campus Media
* Scholarship Ministry – with Laurie Sokalski
* 1 connection with area clergy
* 1 PPRC meeting - review
* 3 College/Carrier Mentor sessions
* 24 spiritual support and counsel sessions
* 1 Hackettstown Drug Alliance Meeting
* Regular Hospital Visitation – Fridays & as needed
* Support/Planning with Victor D. a Teen Suicide Symposium
* Ongoing New Member calls and contacts
* Planning for upcoming Children and Student Sunday
* Planning for upcoming VBS family fun night and Summer Programs