

## **In the Beginning...**

God's Creation! Do you love mountains and lakes? Do you love open fields of grass and flowers? Do you love seeing the stars and moon in the night sky? Do you love skiing or sledding down long steep hills? Do you love to hear birds singing and crickets chirping? Do you love dogs and cats? Do you love a drink of cold water on a hot summer day? Do you love apples, strawberries, plums, maple syrup? Are there people, maybe friends and relatives, that you love? We are all part of God's wonderful creation.

The United Church of Craftsbury - aka The Church on the Common - will be offering a week of Vacation Bible School June 19-23, 2023, from 9am until noon. Children age 4 and up are invited to participate. The program will be staffed by beloved childcare provider Donna Williams; her twin sister, musician extraordinaire Diane Sanville; Sunday School teacher and retired professional educator Carole Young; and Pastor Kim LaRose, also a professional educator. Other church folks will pitch in where they can.

Each day will begin with whole group gathering for conversation, word games, and singing. Then small groups will go for activities with the three instructors. Instruction will include reading children's books, discussing, arts and crafts, nature walks, and the like. Then the whole group will gather again for snack (provided by the church) and recess. A second instructional period will follow recess. Then the whole group will gather a final time each day to discuss how things are going, talk about the next day, sing, and play word games (think tongue twisters, brain teasers, funny poems, etc).

The focus will be on exploring and appreciating the diverse world God has made for us to live in, with some discussion of our role in taking care of it. Recess games will emphasize cooperation over competition.

# Bible School Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ Preschool-grade1  
\_\_\_\_\_ grade 2-4  
\_\_\_\_\_ grade 5-8

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact # (if parent not available): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Medical  
Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Photo Permission

I give permission to publish in local newspapers, the church newsletter, and the church website photos of my child participating in Bible School activities. \_\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_\_no

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Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

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Completed forms may be mailed to United Church of Craftsbury, PO Box 46, Craftsbury Common, VT 05827; or dropped off at the church (drop box inside lower level entrance); or at the C Village Store; or handed to Carole, Donna, Diane, Pastor Kim, or any other person from The Church on the Common.