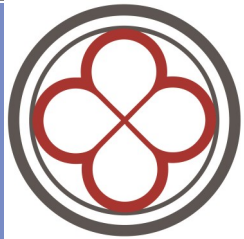


Thank you!

Youth volunteers are a very important part of our Children's Ministry programs. Our children look up to the youth and absorb all of their enthusiasm and love for God.

We appreciate you giving your time to shape the lives of those who are following in your footsteps. Thank you for setting a great example of service and love for our children.

Because we love you, we want to say that YOUR spiritual growth is important too. We encourage all of our youth to serve at a time that does not prevent attendance in a Sunday School class or small group.



You make a difference
in the lives of others!



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Youth Safe Sanctuary & Volunteer Training





Safe Sanctuary Guidelines

- Youth must serve in a room with at least two Safe Sanctuary trained adults.
- Youth should never be alone with children and may not walk children to get water, to the bathroom, etc.
- We ask that youth not use their phones, unless communicating with their parents or in case of an emergency.
- Please wear a name tag while volunteering. If you do not have one, you may make one or ask a staff member to provide one for you.
- Youth can set a wonderful example of behavior for younger children. You do not need to worry about the discipline of the children; this job belongs to the adults in the room.
- Youth must provide a Medical Release Form if their parents are not on site.
- Please do not take pictures or videos of any children while at FFUMC or a FFUMC event.
- Youth may not pick up or carry children.



How can youth help?

- Shepherd in a Sunday School class (Preschool-4th grade)
- Vacation Bible School assistant in a rotation room or as a shepherd
- Best Buddy for a Special Needs Child
- Event staff—face painting, games, etc.
- Youth must be at least 5 years older than the class in which they are volunteering and may not help in the nursery.

Contact Carrie Altman with any questions.
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I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth. 3 John 1: 4

Tips for Being an Effective Helper in a Classroom

- Ask the teacher how you can be helpful that day.
- If you see a child having a difficult day or being disruptive, sit next to that child.
- Actively listen to the teacher. If you look interested, the children will want to be interested as well.
- Sing along, dance, smile, and have fun!
- Be respectful to all parents and greet all children with a smile.

