

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

**Members of the committee:** Amanda Weeder, Val Rathje, Marcene Wurdeman, Mike Slizoski, Lori Rine, Doris Augspurger, Renee Norris (Governing Council Representative/Chairperson) Brenda Sand (CE director/staff)

The Christian Education Committee met each month in 2021 in person at Federated Church in the Education Center on the second Tuesday of each month. In October the committee had a meeting over email correspondence due to illness and low attendance availability. Joint meetings were conducted with the Youth Ministry Committee in January and in August.

The Christian Education Committee's focus in 2021 was to support the educational programming in place at Federated. The committee centered on any support and assistance we could give to the Christian Education Director (Brenda Sand) and aid in any way we could be useful to her ministry. The committee also aided in purchasing new curriculum for the SALT adult education program that was formed this year. The Committee also hosted Café La Fed twice in 2021, once jointly with the Youth Ministry Committee.

The Committee continues to put the safety procedures of Federated Church as a priority. It does seem that the projects that are needing attention are quite involved and at times overwhelming. It is the recommendation of the Christian Education Committee that a subcommittee be formed to focus on the complexity of these procedures and issues. New and existing members of the committee initiated and /or completed background checks in 2021.

We would like to thank Lori Rine for her service to the committee and are excited to welcome Jackie Marker as a new member of the Christian Education Committee.

As 2021 comes to close and we welcome 2022, we are anticipating new and exciting opportunities to share our love for Jesus through our educational programming at Federated. While 2021 was full of growth and promise we are all looking forward to new ways to make 2022 a year full of learning about God's unwavering love.

Blessings

Renee Norris

Christian Education Committee Chairman/Governing Council Representative