

Service Opportunity: R.E. Teacher

Description: We need volunteer teachers to teach classes our Religious Education program, both in the regular church year and in the summer. Volunteers are expected to arrive at about 10:45 a.m. and lead a class of about 4-10 students until they are picked up by their parents by 12:15 p.m. All teachers will have an aide to assist them, and all supplies will be prepared in advance by the Director of Religious Education. Teachers need to read through the lesson plan in advance. Classes are divided by age as follows:

Potter Class – Pre-K
Schweitzer Class – Grades K-2
Thoreau Class – Grades 3-4
Adams – Grades 5-6
YUUTs – Grades 7-8

Expected Term of Service: No limit. Approximately 5 Sundays per year.

This opportunity will enable you to: Connect with the children of our church to promote their spiritual development and their connection to our R.E. community.

Skills needed: An enjoyment of and patience for working with children. We do not expect our R.E. teachers to be professional-level teachers. However teachers should be comfortable supervising and directing children and maintaining safety and a welcoming atmosphere for all.

Training: All teachers need to attend an R.E. training. Training is offered each August by Jamila Batchelder, Director of Religious Education.

Number of Positions Open: Multiple.

Additional Information: All teachers must undergo a background check to volunteer in our program. For the safety of our children, new members to our community must wait one year OR until a relationship of trust has been developed with our church community before volunteering in our R.E. programs. Members with children are usually welcome to volunteer much sooner as we have more opportunities to develop that relationship through your children's participation in our program. Please talk to Jamila Batchelder if you have any questions about this policy.

If interested, contact: Jamila Batchelder, Director of Religious Education, dre@uuchurch.net, 573-442-5764.