

2011 Annual Report
Director of Church School Hospitality- Jaine Peterson

2011 was a year of many changes for the nursery. We changed youth ministers, have had some new additions to our nursery and junior ushers and added some new volunteers to our group!

As everyone is aware we had Erica Jeglum and her family move to Indiana this past summer and Bret Chandler and his family were chosen as their successors. We have had Jamison and Elyse join us as a result and we love our fun and energetic twins! In October there was a new addition to our nursery staff family as Erica Webb had her baby girl, Avery. In the past year we have also had Kennedy Benish, Eric Nodland, Cyrus Rasty, and Suzanne Arnell join our church and nursery age group.

A big thank you to all our volunteers of all ages!

Our adult volunteers this past year were Gretchen Bayer, Greg and Teresa Benish, Lorilee Bielski, Bret and Meredith Chandler, Lauren Hill, Diane Jones, Mary Keller, Barb Kimberlin, Cassidy and Sara Lemrise, Kathleen Peacock, Barb Schaper, Ishani Sinnaduray, Kathy Swager, and Cheri Thompson. If anyone is interested in learning about volunteering in the nursery or children's church programs please let me or a children's church teacher know and we can pass along that information to add to our email list.

Our junior high volunteers got some new additions this year as well. The new volunteers are Kristen Applebaum, Kristen Hill, and Cassidy Lemrise. And our fourth volunteer this year is Chloe Seghers who has been one of our best helpers for years. Any other junior high students who would be interested in volunteering a Sunday and playing with our great kids can let me know.

Nursery staff has changed this year as well. Myself, Anita Bukszar, Kristi Leimbeck, Luke Peterson, and Aurora Raimondi made up our staff this year. Anita was "promoted" this year from volunteer to staff as a spot opened up with Kristi Leimbeck leaving for college. After a

great interview and her wonderful performance as a volunteer it was decided that Anita would become a part of our team!

The junior usher program has also grown this past year. We have added Tommy and Stephen DiNardo, Jaden Hernandez, Kyle and Matthew Neumann, and Eddie and Warren Esgar. In addition to our new junior ushers we also have Joe and Cate Ariano, Cassidy Lemrise, Cole Woodson, and Luke Woodson joining us again! Thank you to all of you! This program is great because it helps our older kids feel like they are part of the church service. They get to help hand out children's worship bulletins and pass the plate during the offertory. It can be great for all kids but also helps kids who are still in transition from our nursery or children's church program into adult church. We are always looking for more children to help with this great ministry and if your child would be interested please contact me.

It has been a great year for all of our children's programs and the nursery and junior usher were no exception. We hope this year will be as fun as the last! My email address is jj0113bs@aol.com and my phone number is 847-420-0187 for anyone that has any questions or would like information about any of the volunteer or junior usher programs.