

Welcome to the 2019-2020 Church Year and Religious Education Ministry!! We are looking forward to providing a caring, educational, spiritually enriching and playful religious education program this year. Our program is staffed by loving adult who feel religious education is one of their ministries. Let me introduce our Jr High OWL team for this year:

OWL Facilitators	OWL Facilitators
Jan DeWaters	Todd Moe
Arthur Freeheart	Sarah Oakley
Kelly Johnson-Eilola	Tom VandeWater
Mary Michalek	Jim Williams
Debra Mitchell	Carol Zimmerman

For this year, our middle level youth will participate in the Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education Program. Our Whole Lives helps participants make informed and responsible decisions about their sexual health and behavior. With a holistic approach, Our Whole Lives provides accurate, developmentally appropriate information about a range of topics, including relationships, gender identity, sexual orientation, sexual health, and cultural influences on sexuality.

There are a few things we ask of you to help make this year enjoyable and safe.

- Please register! A new registration form needs to be completed every year.
 - Register by visiting our online form at <http://www.uucantonny.org/youth/re-youth-registration-form/> or complete a form that is available in the Religious Education (RE) office.
- Our program begins on Sunday, September 15, 2019 and ends on June 7, 2020. We provide a summer program beginning on Sunday, June 14 and ending September 13, 2020.
- All classes **begin at 10:30am** unless otherwise stated. They will not attend worship on days they have class.
- The OWL class **ends at 12:00pm**.
- The Jr High OWL group will meet upstairs in the 3rd floor room off the social room.

Here are a few important dates to remember:

Faith Filled Fun Days	Special RE Events	Multigenerational Worship Services
December 1, 2019	March 1, 2020 Everybody's Birthday	November 3, 2019
December 22, 2019	May 5, 2020 RE Sundae Sunday	December 15, 2019 Holiday Pageant
December 29, 2019	May 17, 2020 RE Sunday Rehearsal	March 1, 2020
February 23, 2020	May 31, 2020 RE Sunday Rehearsal	June 7, 2020 RE Sunday
April 12, 2020		
May 24, 2020		

To continue growing your and your child(ren)'s faith, check out our weekly faith inspirations on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#). Look for other opportunities for faith engagement on [our church website](#).

Thank you for entrusting your child(ren) to the care of our religious education ministry team. We encourage you to participate in whatever way you see fit, to ask questions, voice concerns, or share praise at any time. We look forward to a wonderful church year!

In joy and faith,

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Your Religious Education Committee