

## The Congregational Church of Hollis

# Christian Education/Faith Formation Board



Meets on 1<sup>st</sup> Mondays at 7 pm 2 year term

The Board of Christian Education is responsible for the work in faith ministry for all people of the church. The members assess needs, make policies, offer guidance, initiate and implement programs for the educational functions of the church.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Oversee and support all Sunday School programs, activities, volunteers and staff
- Help plan and facilitate special children's services (e.g., Homecoming Day, Christmas Tableau, and Children's Day programs) and worship involvement (e.g., Feather Food, Palm Sunday)
- Provide adult learning opportunities in partnership with the pastor
- Participate in church-wide special functions directly and/or through incorporation into the Sunday School program:
  - > Homecoming Day and Children's Day
  - > Advent celebration
  - > Easter and Lenten activities
- Ensure teacher training and adherence of Safe Church policy for all youth activities
- Provide support and leadership for youth ministries (e.g., Confirmation, Youth Groups, and Mission Trip)
- Explore the NHCUCC offerings for programs and making connections beyond our church
- Represent the Christian Education Board on Church Council
- Support and assist with special church events (e.g., picnics, coffee hour, celebrations)

## **Time & Talent Opportunities for Church Volunteers:**

- Teach or assist with Sunday School (regular or substitute) or volunteer in the Nursery
- Prepare costumes for Christmas tableau and Children's Sunday
- Coordinate Live Nativity on Christmas Eve
- Assist with kids during school break Sundays (e.g., God Times Drive-In and games)
- Provide music accompaniment and/or lead youth in singing
- Assist with youth activities (e.g., Vacation Bible School, special Sunday School projects)
- Participate and/or volunteer support for the Mission Trip
- Coordinate and/or donate food & beverage for adult Christian Education sessions
- Help Youth Groups with service projects and/or host them for a progressive dinner
- Assist with and participate in special church events and activities

#### From Feb 2018 Bylaws

### **Board of Christian Education**

- (a) The Board of Christian Education shall consist of a minimum of eight members. One member shall be high school student serving for one year. The remaining adult members shall each serve a two year term. These terms shall be staggered so that four (or more) members are elected each year. A Christian Education Board member may be re-elected to serve two more successive terms. The Board shall elect its own chairperson. The Pastor shall be an ex officio member of this board without a vote. The Christian Education staff shall be an ex officio member of this Board with a vote.
- (b) The Board of Christian Education is responsible for the total educational ministry of the church. It should assess the educational needs of all persons in the church, and design a program of Christian education which meets these needs. It should enable each person and organization of the church to participate as fully as possible in the church's teaching/learning/witnessing ministry. The board initiates, offers guidance and implements the various educational functions of the church. The chairperson shall make a written report to the church at the annual meeting.
- (c) The Board shall supervise the Christian Education program of the church. The Christian Education staff shall be directly responsible to the Board.
- (d) All business of the Board shall be conducted at scheduled meetings with a quorum of at least half the members present, including either the Pastor or the Christian Education staff member.