Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am excited that Vacation Bible School at Severna Park United Methodist Church is only a week or two away!  There is a lot of information on the VBS website and that information will be updated regularly.  Check back as VBS approaches and throughout VBS week.  Make sure to check out each page.  <http://severnaparkumc.org/vbs/>

Here are some details to help make VBS more enjoyable:

**Date & Time:**  VBS is Monday, July 9- Friday, July 13 (first week) or Monday, July 16-July 20 (second week) 1:00-4:00.

**Classes:** Class lists are posted on the website.  Please check to make sure your child is in the correct class. We tried our best to ensure your child would be in a class with his or her friends. On Monday, please come knowing which crew your kids are in to help expedite check in. Each day please sign your child in and out of their class. On the first day, please check with the teacher to make sure we have your child’s allergies and pick-up information correct. All epi-pens/allergy kits must be kept with our nurse. Please drop those off with her upon arrival.

**VBS Choir:** All children in the elementary crews (1st-5th grade) are invited to participate in a special VBS choir. The choir will rehearse on Wednesday from 4:00-4:30 with our music director. This group will lead singing during worship on Sunday (see below.) Please take your child to the sanctuary after you sign them out.

**Celebration Sunday:**  Our VBS program is on Sunday, July 15 at 9:30 for the first week of VBS and Sunday, July 22 at 11:00 for our second week of VBS.  We hope that you will join us that day to see and hear what your child has learned.  Each class will sing a song or two and share their work. On that Sunday, please drop your child off in their classroom area at 9:15 for the first week and 10:45 for the second week.

**Daily Details:** Information about snacks, color of the day (wear a shirt that color- Monday is Blue), Friday’s ice cream social (help us scoop at 2:00), and more can be found on the VBS website.  If your child is allergic to, has an intolerance of, or dislikes the snack we are serving, please feel free to bring your own peanut free snack.  Also sneakers are the best shoe choice for VBS week.  Please encourage your children to wear sneakers so they can participate safely in every activity.

**Ice Cream Social:** On Friday we will conclude VBS with an ice cream social. After you sign our your child (preschool & kindergarteners in their regular rooms, elementary students in the sanctuary), please join us in fellowship hall for ice cream!

Also check out the information about our **VBS mission** this year!

If your child is unable to attend VBS, please let us know.  We have an extensive waiting list.  If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.  My contact information is below in the signature.

Thank You,

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