

Shirley Lee – Discipleship and Christian Education Committee Chair

Open Meeting – Non-Committee Members May Be Recognized By Chair To Address Committee

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The Discipleship and Christian Education Committee equips people of all ages to become growing disciples of Jesus Christ through lifelong learning, spiritual formation, and opportunities for Christian service. Rather than simply providing educational programs, the committee seeks to help people mature in their faith and live as faithful disciples.

1. Foster Lifelong Christian Discipleship

The committee creates pathways for spiritual growth from childhood through adulthood.

- Encouraging daily Christian living
- Providing opportunities for Bible study and prayer
- Promoting spiritual disciplines
- Helping members grow in faith and discipleship
- Encouraging every member to continue growing in Christ

2. Provide Quality Christian Education

The committee oversees educational ministries that teach Scripture and United Methodist beliefs.

- Sunday School
- Bible studies
- Small groups
- Vacation Bible School
- Confirmation classes
- New member classes
- Seasonal studies and workshops

3. Equip and Support Teachers and Leaders

The committee recruits, trains, and encourages those who lead educational ministries.

- Recruiting teachers and facilitators
- Providing orientation and training
- Selecting curriculum
- Offering ongoing leadership development
- Supporting volunteers with resources and encouragement

4. Develop Age-Appropriate Faith Formation Ministries

Christian education should meet people where they are in every stage of life.

- Children's Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- Adult discipleship
- Senior adult learning opportunities
- Intergenerational faith experiences
- Family discipleship resources

5. Evaluate and Strengthen Discipleship Ministries

The committee continually reviews the effectiveness of the church's educational ministries.

- Reviewing participation and engagement
- Evaluating curriculum and teaching methods
- Identifying unmet discipleship needs
- Developing new opportunities for spiritual growth
- Ensuring ministries support the church's mission and vision