

**OPERATIONS MANUAL      DELTA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Updated July 2016      CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**Purpose:**

To provide opportunities for people of all age groups and religious education backgrounds to explore their faith, expand their knowledge, and grow spiritually.

**Sunday School Opportunities:**

Sunday school opportunities for elementary and preschool age children are provided during the worship service on Sunday mornings. Nursery services are also provided. There is a paid staff child care person in addition to the volunteer congregational members to supervise and teach the children.

Spiritual Life Committee members provide for general oversight and organization of the curriculum and the program. Teachers meetings and training are provided annually and periodically as the need arises.

**Adult Education/Study Opportunities:**

Adult Education opportunities are provided at various times and cover a range of topics. Sometimes the classes are led by the pastor and other times by members. Classes have been provided on Sunday mornings before the worship service, after the worship service, during the week, and sometimes on Sunday evenings. Typically, a book or topic is chosen as the focus of the study. Adult Education/Study sometimes occurs in the context of a season, such as Advent and Lent, and may include fellowship type activities, meals, or snacks.

**Junior/Senior High Youth:**

Junior and Senior High fellowship activities will be available if the need develops. Delta was active with the Capital Area Presbyterian Youth (CAPY) organization, which provides periodic activities, and continues to be aware of those opportunities. Youth are also welcome on any intergenerational activity, such as seasonal activities or mission trips.

**Child Protection Policy:**

Delta has adopted a child protection policy which is provided in another section of the Operations Manual. This policy is reviewed annually by the Spiritual Life Committee and Session.