

**Chelsea Krafka – Director of Religious Growth and Learning**

**Youth Programs Cluster**

**Annual Report**

**2018-2019**

**Accomplishments of This Church Year:**

Summer 2018-

Coordinated and represented our church at a booth at PRIDE festival

Attended General Assembly in Kansas City

Implemented changes to a new curriculum for use in our K-1 classroom: ‘Picture Book UU’

Hired Ashleigh Fuson to be middle school OWL lead teacher and coordinated with her to plan for OWL for the year

Hired Ashleigh Fuson to be Youth In Action lead teacher and coordinated with her to plan for YIA for the year

Drafted request for Sabbatical

Fall 2018-

Planned and facilitated the following trainings:

K-5 teachers

K-5 assistants

Middle school teachers and assistants

High school teachers and assistants

Offered Parent Orientation (facilitated by Ashleigh Fuson - RGL Chair)

Attended UU Identity online Renaissance Module Workshop

Planned and facilitated Third Thursday Worship ‘Wonder and Awe’

Planned for Sabbatical

Revised position descriptions for: Preschool Lead Teacher and Summer Sunday Lead Teacher and Childcare Providers

Created position description for Acting RGD

Winter 2018

In partnership with the task force, hired Kim Ziemann for Acting RGD during Sabbatical, Charisa Ramsey for Summer Sunday Lead Teacher, Ashleigh Fuson for Preschool Lead Teacher and Meredith Enersen for Summer Sunday Assistant Teacher

Provided training for new employees: Kim Ziemann, Ashleigh Fuson, Meredith Enersen and Charisa Ramsey

Planned and facilitated UNICEF Pumpkin Decorating Ingathering and raised more than \$150 to donate to UNICEF

Began conversation with Adult RGL Committee about my role with them

January 1st began Sabbatical

Continued work on thesis project for Master of Arts Degree

Attended Adult Faith Formation online Renaissance Module Workshop

### Spring 2019

Welcomed baby Milo Sage Emerson Krafka into our family

Successfully completed thesis project: 'Teaching Peace in a Unitarian Universalist Classroom' with accompanying curriculum

Successfully defended thesis project and it was accepted for submission for completion of the Masters of Arts program at UNL

Anticipating graduation May 3rd at UNL with a Masters of Arts Degree in: Teaching, Learning and Teacher Education with an emphasis in; School, Society and Reform with an additional teaching endorsement for teaching English Language Learners (ELL)

### **Projects for Next Church Year:**

Navigate role within adult religious education in collaboration with Rev. Oscar Sinclair and adult RGL committee

Establish relationships with the people who were newly hired this last year and explore how the new position descriptions are working

Find opportunities for further professional development