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Dear Preschool Parents/Guardians:

During the coming church year, Neighborhood's Youth Religious Education program will offer our preschoolers a safe and clean environment in which each child can initiate play activities at their developmental level. We involve the children in activities, which encourage creative expression and cooperative play. As the children navigate the classroom, the play yard and their peers we model appropriate and respectful methods of problem solving. They are introduced to the principals of Unitarian Universalism by experiencing respect in their own environment and in their interactions in the class. The preschool room is staffed by two experienced childcare providers as well as parent volunteers. We want the children who participate in this program to feel secure in our care, valued as an individual and to know that this is where they belong.

The following are a few important administrative items about the structure of our program and the year:

- ❖ **The first Sunday back to two services will be September 12, 2010.** This is a welcome back intergenerational service and children are welcome, but we do offer class for the preschool aged children as an alternative.
- ❖ **We request that all families participating in YRE complete a registration form.** These forms are crucial because they include emergency contact information, **Please return your completed form no later than August 22nd.**
- ❖ **Parent participation required.** Your help is vital to the success of our RE program. Assisting in the classroom, with special projects and at the Lifelong Learning table is expected of all parents. **Please fill out the volunteer requirement section on the back side of your child's registration form.**
- ❖ We will continue requiring parents of infants, toddlers and preschool children to **sign their children in and out each week.** We also ask you to leave a cell phone number so we may reach you if your child becomes inconsolable.

Please return the registration and parent commitment forms as quickly as possible—no later than August 22nd. You may bring completed registration forms to the Lifelong Learning table or mail them in the envelope provided. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you for your involvement; thank you for recognizing the need for religious education in your children and youth's lives...thank you for adding your presence to this community.

See you in church,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sara LaWall".

Sara LaWall
Director of Religious Education