Planning a Vacation Bible School Program

November 17, 2012  9:30 AM to 2:00 PM
Cost: $40 (includes lunch)

THE CENTER FOR THE MINISTRY OF TEACHING (CMT) at Virginia Theological Seminary is offering an interactive workshop to provide volunteer and professional educators from all denominations the tools to get their Vacation Bible School planning underway. Laying the groundwork early is essential. Long before churches select a curriculum or set dates, planning activities should be in motion. Programs can be as creative as the designers, from traditional one-week settings for children to intergenerational events that tap into entire congregations. During this one-day VBS event we will look at a range of approaches to help you decide what best reflects your church’s mission and overall education program, as well as practical issues such as availability of volunteers and how to assess their gifts.

A panel discussion facilitated by Dorothy Linthicum, CMT Program Coordinator, will feature Christian educators who will focus on their VBS experiences. They will describe ways to adapt or create curriculum, and share strategies for engaging the wider community. Educators from Burke Presbyterian Church will describe their successful intergenerational program that involves the entire congregation. Participants will also meet in small groups to focus on their specific needs and interests.

To register go to www.vts.edu/icfl/registration
For more information, email cmt@vts.edu or call 703.461.1885