



# **Meet Our Staff**



### **Sharon Paige**



Sharon started as the Director/Teacher at Montrose Zion Christian Preschool in 2007 when the Preschool opened. Sharon has a BS degree in Early Education and Special Education (Learning Behavior Disorders) from the University of Kentucky. Along with overseeing the Preschool, Sharon is currently teaching the 4-year-old class on Monday/Wednesday/Friday. She has two children; James (Jessica) Grandchildren Reese and Sloane who live in Williamsburg and Jennifer (Nathan) and grandchildren Liam and Remy who live in Alabama. Sharon says being a Grammy is the best gig ever. Sharon is very passionate about mission opportunities both local and global. She has taken trips to Haiti/Cuba and each month during the Preschool calendar year a new mission opportunity for the children and families is highlighted.

#### **Nicole Belich**



Hello everyone! My name is Nicole Belich and I am very excited to be teaching your wonderful children this year. I am originally from Pittsburgh and have relocated to the Norton area. I graduated from California University of Pennsylvania in December of 1999 with a BS in Elementary Education. In 2000 I taught preschool at St. Elizabeth's in Pleasant Hills, Pennsylvania and then transferred into the West Mifflin Area School District. During my 13 year tenure in Western Mifflin, I taught kindergarten, first grade, third grade, fourth grade, and fifth grade. In 2014 I returned to teaching preschool at a private school in Pittsburgh. I look forward to a fabulous year with all of you and growing in this amazing ministry!

#### **Andrea Bergum**



My name is Andrea Bergum. I am the Lead Teacher in the 3 year old class and aid in the Pre-k program Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. After graduating from Baldwin-Wallace College, I worked as Safety Director for the Akron Area YMCA. As Safety Director, I worked on the Summit County Safe Kids Coalition coordinating Safety Seat Checks. My husband and I have four incredible boys: Nick, Chris, Mason and Andrew. All four of my boys have attended Montrose Zion Preschool and loved it. I have been with Montrose Zion Preschool for 8 years and am excited to continue to be a part of this growing preschool ministry.

## **Heather Snyder**



Hello! My name is Heather Snyder and I am a teacher's assistant in the Pre-K class. Before my son was born, I worked as a toddler teacher at a local Montessori school. Prior to that, I worked at a daycare and as a babysitter. I've also been volunteering on Sundays in the nursery at MZUMC for the past two years and love it! I currently hold a bachelor's degree from PennWest California in English with a concentration in language and literacy as well as a teaching certification from The Montessori Institute in Denver, Colorado. Teaching has always filled me with great gratitude and joy; not only am I thankful to have the opportunity to educate once again, but I am also excited to guide young children in a Christian environment where they can grow and prosper in God's truth and everlasting love.

