

## Meet the Teacher

4th & 5th Grades

## **About Me**

Hello all! My name is Josie Beckman and I am the 4th and 5th grade teacher at Victory Christian School. I am originally from Jamestown and graduated with my education degree from the University of Jamestown. My husband, Cory, and I have been married for 7 years and have three beautiful children. This is my 4th year in the classroom. I am so excited to continue to learn and grow in my relationship with Jesus alongside the students and staff at VCS!

When I am not in the classroom I am usually spending time with my kids. This looks different each day. We have visited every park in town multiple times and we spend a lot of time adventuring in our backyard. I enjoy being outside in the beauty of God's creation. I started my first garden this summer and have fallen in love. If I could explain a perfect day to anyone it would be sitting outside watching my kids play, reading a good book, while my bread is baking inside.

Baking and cooking have recently become new hobbies of mine.

I LOVE LOVE to read. It is my favorite thing to do. I am in a couple book clubs and have a few books I am reading on my own. You can have so many experiences reading a book. You can learn, relate, laugh, or cry. One of my goals each year in the classroom is to instill a love for reading in each student. In my unprofessional opinion, if you don't like to read- you haven't found the right book.

I really enjoy all colors. My favorite color changes monthly. My top color right now is yellow. If you enter my classroom or my home you would find that every color exists and lives together. My favorite daily drink is water- but I always have room for coffee. Diet coke is a staple for my lunch time as well. I'm not a picky eater and love trying new dishes. One item on my bucket list is to walk into a restaurant in another country and order the chef's favorite without knowing what it is. Reptiles and bugs are my favorite creatures- you can totally find me pulling up rocks just to see what cool things are underneath.

God has created each of us with such unique quirks and qualities— as a teacher it's our job to shine bright lights on each child's God given design. This is my favorite part of the job! I don't really have a favorite bible verse because there are too many that speak life into me but here is one that has a special place in my heart— "The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for His name's sake.

"Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." Psalms 23; 1-4



