

FAMILY FAITH ON THE FRIDGE

Jacob's Well - A Monthly Guide Connecting Home and Church - October 2015

Wee Ones

Babes - 3 Year Olds

Sing a Song

Daniel Prayed to God

(tune of *The Farmer in the Dell*)

Oh, Daniel prayer to God,
Oh, Daniel prayed to God,
They threw him in the lion's den
(ROAR!)

'Cause Daniel prayed to God.

But God kept Daniel safe,
But God kept Daniel safe,
Even in the lion's den (ROAR!)
God kept Daniel safe.

Play in the Story: Daniel in the Lion's Den

In October, the Wee Ones will be exploring prayer from the story of Daniel in the Lion's Den. We'll see how Daniel loved God, prayed to Him, and how God listened to Daniel's prayers and kept him safe.

Prayer Practice

This month, your child will be making prayer envelopes to collect cards for people to pray for. Add pictures of your family members and friends to the envelope and help your child pray for the people in her/his envelope.

Your child will also be bringing home a lion puppet with a retelling of the Daniel story. Help your child retell the story or use it to sing this month's song.



Hide It In Your Heart!

Daniel 6:27

"God rescues and He saves."

Play!

Take turns being the lion and the angel. When the angel touches the wild lion, he/she becomes tame.

The Loft

4 Year Olds - K

Prayer Practice

Philippians 4:19 makes a great prayer to help us remember how God takes care of His people in the desert...

God

(arms stretch to heaven)
will take care
(drop palms to open in front)
of everything we need.
(scoop palms to your chest)

You can trust Him!

Play in the Story: God Provides for His People (Book of Exodus)

Read & Chat

Grab your favorite storybook bible and discover the story together of how God provided for His people as they wander the desert after being rescued from Egypt (Book of Exodus). Why do you think God let the people get hungry and thirsty? How did the people ask for help? How would you ask God for something you need? What did God do? Do you think God will take care of you?

Hunting for Miracles

God preformed some cool miracles to help His special family know he loved them like bringing water from crusty old rocks and sending bread down from heaven. Head outside: Has God left any miracles right in your own yard to remind you how much he loves us? Nothing is too small to notice!

Read a Poem!

Read Walt Whitman's poem "Miracles" together. (Google it!) Walt saw all of life as a miracle! Can you write a new line for Walt's poem? How is God showing you His love today?

Listen to Some Music!

"Do Not Worry" and "Come to Me" on Rain for Roots' album *The Kingdom of Heaven Is Like This* both help kids remember, God will care for your needs. They can be streamed for free at rainforroots.bandcamp.com.



W 1st - 5th Grade onderground

Conversation around the Table

What does it take to be a good king?

What would it be like to be a shepherd?

What is loyalty?
How is David loyal? To whom?

Would you be afraid to fight a giant?
What are you afraid to do?

Who is your best friend?
What makes a good friend?

What is a psalm?
What is praise & worship?

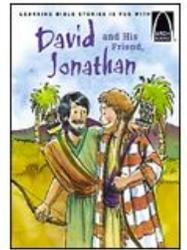
Get in the Story: King David (Book of 1 Samuel)

In October, the grade schoolers are learning all about Israel's transition from rule by divinely-appointed judges to rule by the joint efforts of prophets and kings.

This transition centers around a shepherd boy named David, whom the prophet Samuel recruits to succeed the disobedient Saul, Israel's first king. David's stories are legend, and through them, we hope to discover character traits like faithfulness, courage, loyalty, and trust in God, that make David such a good leader and a king after God's own heart. We will also explore how these stories inspire the writing of David's psalms.

Readin' On The Sofa

Boy Shepherd King (1 Samuel 16:1-13)
David vs. Goliath (1 Samuel 17:1-50)
David, Jonathan & Saul (1 Samuel 20:1-41, 24:1-22)
Saul and the Witch's Ghost (1 Samuel 28:3-20, 31:1-6)



Hit the Library!

David and Goliath: The Brick Bible for Kids by Brendan Powell Smith

"I May Be Little": The Story of David's Growth by Marilyn Lashbrook

David and His Friend, Jonathan or The Secret of the Arrows by Alyce Bergey

Family Psalm

Write and illustrate your own family psalm to the Lord. Check out Psalm 23 or Psalm 100 to prime the pump.

Memorize It!

"Man looks at how someone appears on the outside. But God looks at what is in the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7b

What are my kids doing in Kids Community on Sundays?

In Kids Community, our aim is to come alongside your child(ren) in their faith journey, inviting them into the deep & wide story of God and his kingdom. How do we do this? Relationship. Play. Spiritual practices.

If your child is an infant, our aim is to create a safe & calm environment where your little one can begin to know that church is a wonderful place where they have an experience of nurture and love.

Your 1 - 3 year old child(ren) will connect relationally with their friends in free and guided play around the monthly Bible story. They'll sing, dance, giggle, pray, and share snack together.

Your 4 year old - Kindergartener engage God with every inch of their bodies through movement, prayer, story, and experiential workshops where they play in God's story (art, drama, sacred space, movement, story play, and justice). Before they head home, they receive a blessing (God made you, God loves you, God blesses you, God is with you). Ask them to give one to you!

Your 1st-5th grader kicks off their time connecting relationally in free play. They share time in God's story, experiential prayer, small group conversation, scripture memory, and hands-on workshops (Sacred Space, Art, Drama, Cooking, Justice, Movement, Games, Science).

Family Faith on the Fridge is a monthly resource that mirrors what your child experiences at church on Sundays. For each age group, you will find the scripture texts, song lyrics, prayer practices, book/ music recommendations, as well as other ways to engage God as a family at home.



Playgroup

Thursday mornings, 9:30-11:30am

For moms, dads,
and kids up to age 6

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