Children's Sunday school | Sunday, April 26

Breaking Bread Luke 24:13-35

Opening Family Prayer

Always-present God, Open our hearts and hands to give love and grace to those in need, following the example of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Read Scripture Luke 24:13-35

Family Discussion

- Sometimes we are so preoccupied by our own life that we don't realize that God is among us, but God
 is always with us on the journey. Like Jesus' friends on the way to Emmaus, God is a presence all along
 our road.
- In our Bible story today, Jesus' friends travel by walking seven miles. That's quite a journey. Recall a trip that your family has taken in the past, how did you get there, on foot, in the car, on a train, or in a plane? How did you pack for this trip? What would you pack for a seven mile hike? Is traveling fun or is it sometimes difficult?
- Have each member of your family share three things about themselves then ask if anything surprised
 one another? Even when we think we know what our family members most like or dislike, sometimes
 we are surprised.
- Why do you think Jesus' friends didn't recognize Jesus at first?
- What did Jesus do that helped them to recognize him?

Create a Prayer

Write a family Prayer; first tell God how much you love God, confess (or tell) God anything that you are sorry for, then thank God for the good things that you appreciate in your life, and finally ask God to help those who are hungry, or do not have a home or a job, or who are sick and need healing. The reason we write this prayer down is so that you can add to it in the following week and perhaps watch your prayers being answered!

Help Others

Drop off Toiletry Kits for CARITAS

Put together toiletry kits in ziplock bags containing: a standard toothbrush, toothpaste, alcohol-free mouth wash, deodorant, soap, floss, travel cotton swabs, and lotion. Kits can be dropped off in the plastic bin under the Reveille House steps facing the rear parking lot. For details, contact Tammy, children@reveilleumc.org. Call a family member that lives far away from you and encourage them.

Help a family member or neighbor from a safe distance.

Make a Card to a homebound member of this church by sending it directly to them or mailing it to Tammy at the church and she will mail it. Try to use some items from nature to inspire what you color, paint, or draw. Church address: Reveille UMC, Attn: Tammy Tipton-Nay, 4200 Cary Street Road, Richmond, VA 23221 You can also make a special card for a neighbor or relative.

As a Family observe the sights and sounds that are outdoors that remind you that there is new life all around you. Draw words or symbols in chalk of encouragement in your neighborhood as a family.

Watch This Video

Deep Blue Adventures Spring 2020 - Emmaus- E8

After the Video

Discuss that the kids have the opportunity to share the Easter story with their Coach. Have you ever had the chance to share the Easter story with anyone? If so, what was that like?

Respond

Say the <u>Lord's Prayer</u> together or pray the prayer your family wrote together or say them both. Wonder together ways that you can share and live out the joyful story of Easter.

Remember and Recall

God is with us always, sometimes we may not recognize God, but be expecting God to show up. Be hopeful!

Closing Prayer Video

Watch the Christian Mindfulness Prayer with the Earth Day Meditation.

Resources

https://www.mindfulschools.org/free-online-mindfulness-class-for-kids/https://www.childrensbulletins.com/covid19-childrens-activities-for-churches