

RE Crib Sheet

Curriculum for Three Year Olds through 6th Grade

The Ten Lepers

Leprosy refers to several different types of skin conditions or infections. Considered “unclean” because they might infect others, lepers often lived in groups outside of populated areas where they would beg for money. Whenever people with leprosy ventured near other people, s/he had to keep a hand in front of the face, ring a bell, and shout out “Unclean! Unclean!” It was a lonely existence, which explains why the ten lepers that Jesus healed were so overjoyed at what happened. They could go home now to their families and resume a normal life, including being a part of the synagogue.

Luke’s story is not just about healing – fully half the story is devoted to the one who returns to give thanks. Seeing that he is healed, one leper turns back, praises God in a loud voice, prostrates himself before Jesus and gives thanks. In the Gospel stories, many people seek Jesus’ healing powers, but considerably fewer return to praise God and give thanks. Luke reminds us that the appropriate response to God’s love and grace is thankfulness.

This story is found in Luke 17: 11-19.

Faith Point: We thank God for everything that God has done for us.

Bible Quote: We give thanks to you, O God. Psalm 75:1

Contemporary Youth Worship (grades 7-12)

In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive. Acts 20:35

This week, youth will perform a service project for Lowell Transitional Living Center. Under the direction of Ben and Laura Holmes, many toiletry items will be sorted and bagged into personal kits. Completed kits will be distributed to LTLC on March 11th.

Scholarship Breakfast



After services on March 14th, please join the RE board and past scholarship recipients for a breakfast of pancakes, eggs, and other morning favorites. Donations will be accepted to support the scholarship fund.

Anyone attending a post-secondary education, is encouraged to fill out a scholarship application form located outside the church office. Any questions regarding this process, please see a member of the RE board (Stef DeLuca, Jim Kenney, Peggy Mello, Sheila Nelson, Marilyn SanClemente, Carol Sturtevant).

Been Traveling?

Students in grades 7-12 will be creating toiletry kits on Sunday, with donations collected by the Missions Committee. If you have travel-sized shampoos, conditioners, soaps, or lotions from your business or vacation travel, please bring them to church with you on Sunday.

Save these Dates for Adult Workshops!

Several different workshops and programs will be beginning this spring. They are:

- **Are you Listening to God?** : Presented by JoJo Scharmer; 7-8:45 in parlor on Wednesday, 4/14
- **Just Walk Across the Room** : Presented by JoJo Scharmer; 7 pm in parlor; This is a four week course held on Wednesdays (4/28; 5/5; 5/12; 5/19)



Parenting Workshop

Looking for help with some parenting challenges? Need some validation that you are on the right track? Want to meet others going through similar challenges that you are?

If so, please join us for Rita Master’s talk on *Giving Attention to Your Child in a Way S/he Can Receive* on Sunday March 28th from 3:30-4:45. Childcare for all age children will be available. Please RSVP to Sue Panilaitis.

REMINDER

- 2/28 – Last date of the winter curriculum.
- 2/28- 3:30; parenting workshop presented by Rita Masters; Childcare available
- 3/7- Excellent attendance recognition during adult worship
- 3/7- Grades K and 1 will return to adult worship for communion.
- 3/14 – Scholarship breakfast
- 3/21 – Lenten Workshop after services
- 3/28- Palms are handed out by third graders before service
- 3/28- 3:30; parenting workshop presented by the Trudeaus; Childcare available

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