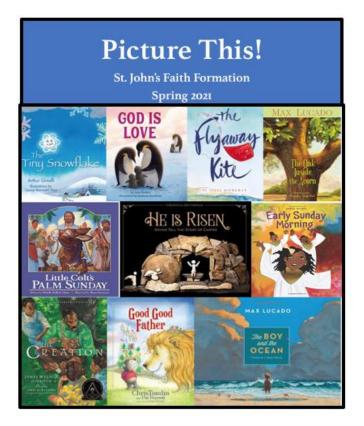
FAITH FORMATION SPRING 2021

We are so excited to offer our Faith Formation Encounters LIVE via zoom (for now) on select (see schedule below) Saturday & Sunday Mornings. You pick what works best for you and your family[®]

Sunday Mornings from 8:30-9:30

*Please note that we also will be recording the encounters so if this time doesn't work...you can watch any time.

We are super excited for the theme for SPRING 2021...



Faith-based encounters designed for families to grow in faith together! We learn about God through fabulous faith-based picture books. Each encounter will feature a picture book, a big idea or ideas, an essential question or questions, a memory verse, an engaging activity and a few surprises!!!!

Here is the plan & schedule...

January 23rd & 24th

The Tiny Snowflake by Arthur Ginolfi



Big Idea - God made us special.

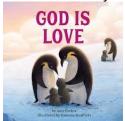
Essential Question - How did God make you special?

Memory Verse - I praise you because you made me in an amazing and wonderful way. Psalm 139:14

Activity - Snowflake Self-Portrait

February 13th & 14th

God Is Love by Amy Parker



Big Idea - God equals love.

Essential Question - In what ways does God equal love?

Memory Verse - God is love. 1 John 4:8

Activity - God's Love Handprints

March 6th & 7th

The Flyaway Kite by Steve Bjorkman



Big Idea - God is with us...we are connected to Him.

Essential Questions - How are you connected to God? When and where is he with you?

Memory Verse - If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. Psalm 139:9 & 10 **Activity** - Let's Go Fly a Kite

March 20th & 21st

The Oak Inside the Acorn by Max Lucado



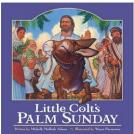
Big Idea - God made one version of you, so be the best you that you can be! **Essential Questions** - What is the best version of you? How can you be an "oak of righteousness"?

Memory Verse - They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor. Isaiah 61:3

Activity - Splendorous Zines

March 28th

Little Colt's Palm Sunday by Michelle Medlock Adams



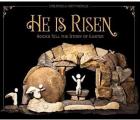
Big Idea - We all can do our part to celebrate Jesus and we can do God's will. **Essential Questions** - What can you do to celebrate Jesus? How can you serve the Lord?

Memory Verse - Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the King of Israel. John 12:13

Activity - Palm Branch Celebration

April 4th

He is Risen: Rocks Tell the Story of Easter by Zondervan



Big Idea - Jesus did it all for us.

Essential Question - How can you show Jesus just how thankful you are for his love? **Memory Verse** - I am with you always. Matthew 28:20

Activity - Rock Art

April 25th

Early Sunday Morning by Denene Millner



Big Idea - Give God the Glory

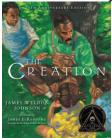
Essential Questions - How can you praise God and give Him glory?

Memory Verse - Let the whole world glorify the LORD; let it sing his praise. Isaiah

Activity - Homemade Musical Instruments

May 16th

The Creation by James Weldon Johnson



Big Idea - God made our world?

Essential Questions - How did God make our world?

Memory Verse - In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. Genesis 1:1 **Activity -** Creation Mobile

May 30th

The Boy and the Ocean by Max Lucado



Big Ideas - God's Love is like an ocean. We are surrounded by God's love. **Essential Questions** - In what ways is God's love like an ocean? How are we surrounded by God's love?

Memory Verse - And I pray that you and all God's holy people will have the power to understand the greatness of Christ's love. I pray that you can understand how wide and how long and how high and how deep that love is. Ephesians 3:18

Activity - God's Love is like the Ocean Craft

June 6th

Good, Good Father by Chris Tomlin



Big Ideas - God is often called our good, good Father. You are the perfect gift. **Essential Questions** - How can you experience the kindness of our good, good father? In what ways can you be the perfect gift?

Memory Verse - The Lord is like a father to his children, tender and compassionate. Psalm 103:13

Activity - Perfect gifts

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