

## SHARING GOD'S STORY @ HOME

### **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK**

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

-Matthew 11:28-30

### **MEALTIME PRAYER**

Gracious God, we give you thanks for all the good things you give us. May we enjoy and share them with others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

*Something to consider as you read: **What do we learn about being a disciple in these verses?***

Monday	Matthew 11:20-24
Tuesday	Matthew 11:25-30
Wednesday	Matthew 12:1-8
Thursday	Matthew 12:9-14
Friday	Matthew 12:15-30
Saturday	Matthew 12:31-32
Sunday	Read/Reflect/Rest

*If your household includes younger children, use a child-friendly bible. Sometimes children's bibles won't contain the assigned story for that day. That's okay! Choose something else and read it to your children!*

### **FAITH @ HOME ACTIVITIES**

Friends, as you now know, all worship gatherings, programs, and small group gatherings at NRPC have been cancelled until March 30, 2020. We do not want to leave you empty-handed, though. Over the next couple of weeks, you will receive emails with links to our NRPC YouTube channel where you can access a guided worship experience that is similar to what we do on a Sunday morning. Lisa, Terri, and I are discussing other ways to equip families and individuals to WORSHIP, GROW, and SERVE over the next two-and-a-half weeks.

### **DEVOTIONS**

Devotions are an extension and continuation of our worship life together. The following is a basic pattern for a family or individual devotion time.

## **GATHERING**

*Light a candle to help you focus this time as sacred.*

## **PRAYER OF THE WEEK**

*Read the prayer in the phrases provided.  
Pause after each phrase and let your child(ren) repeat the phrase.  
Through this practice, you're teaching them to pray.*

Jesus,/ be present with us/ and make yourself/ known to us./ Amen.

## **PROCLAIMING**

*Read aloud the assigned Daily Bible Reading from the front.*

## **RESPONDING**

## **CARING CONVERSATION**

**Highs & Lows:** Name one thing that went well today. Name one thing that did not go well today.

**Thinking About Today's Story:** What does this story say about God? What does this story ask me to do? What does this story say to my Highs & Lows?

**Getting Ready for Tomorrow:** Name one thing you are concerned about and for which you want prayer. Name one thing that excites you. Pray for one another!

## **SENDING**

*Extinguish the candle as a sign of the end of the devotion time.*

## **A BLESSING TO SHARE**

Jesus is in you.  
Jesus is in me.  
Jesus is in us.  
Amen!