

## **SHARING GOD'S STORY @ HOME**

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

Now when Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and proclaim his message in their cities.

- Matthew 11:1

### **MEALTIME PRAYER**

Thank you for our food. Thank you for our family. Thank you for our friends. Thank you for our church. Amen.

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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

Monday	Matthew 10:40-42
Tuesday	Matthew 11:1
Wednesday	Matthew 11:2-6
Thursday	Matthew 11:7-10
Friday	Matthew 11:11-15
Saturday	Matthew 11:16-19
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**

Check your Friday news for all kinds of ways to engage in worship and fellowship and faith formation both at home and at the church. We will be able to gather outdoors for MAX and other events. Also, as a family, join the church meeting Sunday, September 13 to elect a new class of elders. This is a great way to engage in church as a family!

### **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**

Let us live as those who are dead to sin  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ.  
Amen!