

## SHARING GOD'S STORY @ HOME

### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

I tell you, something greater than the temple is here.  
- Matthew 12:6

### 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 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

MAX is coming back this Wednesday, September 16 with a tailgate gathering in the church parking lot. Bring your own meal and some lawn chairs and join us outside for some fellowship and ice cream! The next two weeks will give you opportunities to do MAX @ Home, and we will provide you with what you'll need to make that a great faith formation experience with your 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!