

SAINT ANDREW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

GENEROSITY PROJECT | LESSONS FOR FAMILIES AT HOME

April 2021

MATERIALS NEED

1. Snacks and drinks
2. Computer, ipad, Kindle or Phone to share a YouTube video
3. Bible

WE WELCOME

1. Gather your family together again in a comfortable place. If you are alone, you can also use this information, or invite a friend to share with you on Zoom. Provide a light snack and a drink to aid creating a sense of community.

WE GATHER

1. Now that you have gathered together, pass out your snacks and drinks.
2. As we have committed this time to be together and learn more about God's generosity, we continue with the invocation or "invitation," that we may be filled with joy because of God's promise to be with us (Matthew 18:20).
3. We will incorporate the American Sign Language sign for God, Jesus and Holy Spirit. Do them with me now. This is an important opportunity to learn one way to be inclusive in our faith.
4. This is the sign for God: <https://www.babysignlanguage.com/dictionary/god/>
5. This is the sign for Jesus (make the sign for Jesus and invite all to mimic it): <https://www.babysignlanguage.com/dictionary/jesus/>
6. This is the sign for the Holy Spirit (make the sign for Holy Spirit and invite all to mimic it): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WygATZZqq5Y> (it is similar to drawing a flame in the air)
7. Let's practice them all together: God. Jesus. Holy Spirit.
8. Now, when I say the inviting words, you make the sign: We gather in the name of God, our Creator, (ASL sign for "God"), Jesus, our Savior (ASL for "Jesus"), and the Spirit, our Sustainer (ASL for "Holy Spirit"). All: Amen.



WE HEAR

1. Watch the video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tuwg86ypMG0> (be sure to skip the opening advertisement).
2. Caleb used his skill of signing to help customers. What skill do you have that you can use to help others in need? If you cannot think of a specific skill, is there a skill you would like to learn to help others?

WE SHARE

1. Read Proverbs 11:25. How was Caleb generous in the video? How can you also "refresh" others?

WE SEND

LIGHT OF CHRIST

Invite someone to light the candle and say: "We light the candle as a reminder that we are the light of Christ. May we reflect God's grace and generosity from generation to generation, at home, at school, at work and in church."

WE LIVE

Pray together for the week ahead asking for opportunities to demonstrate generosity.

Resources

The Generosity Project, ELCA
Babysignlanguage.com