



# NOVEMBER

The Church School Newsletter for All Saints' Church, Chelmsford, MA



Dates to Note:

\*Sunday, Nov. 12th is Habitat Sunday

\*Sun., Nov. 26th Classes will make their Advent Wreaths & the Parish is invited to join them in making holiday cards for inmates during coffee hour

\* Sunday, Nov. 26th is when The Christmas Pageant will be making all casting decisions. Please see us in the Colors of Christ room during coffee hour, or submit a list of roles you'd be willing to do prior to that date. More information to come! Look for a list of roles and what they entail in your Sunday Bulletin, Ebulletin and on the website.

## NOTES from the CLASSROOMS

### The Upper School (7th-10th grade)

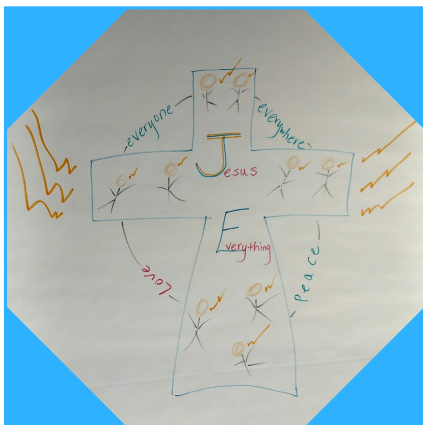
The Upper Church School kids are being exposed to all kinds of varied and exciting new curriculum in our new pilot program and just completed the first semester. Maggie Marshall led Worship in the Episcopal Church and Erik Forsberg led Introduction to the Episcopal Faith: Scripture, Tradition and Reason. **Next Semester begins on Nov. 12th** with Laura Marshall leading Scripture and Tradition in the Christmas Pageant, and Rev. Bill leading Introduction to Scripture.

ALL Youth in Grades 7-10 are encouraged to sit up front together during the church service.

Youth Group Meeting Nov. 26th at 6:30PM for a Movie Night!

### The Weavers (4th-6th grade)

Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love! The Weavers continue to explore how our stories and traditions nurture each of us and help us understand how to respond to the invitation of the holy spirit in our daily lives. In November the Weavers will be reading from our Adventure Bible, working on a special project to create Christmas cards for inmates at a local prison, contributing to the homespun fair, and practicing gratitude.



### A SUPER HERO BADGE FOR JESUS

designed by The Weavers Class



## NOTES from the Classrooms, cont.

### Godly Play (1st-3rd)

During November we'll be wrapping up our Old Testament lessons with the Ark & the Temple, King David, and the Exile & Return, but before those we get to hear one of our annual favorites - Baptism! Godly Play lessons are broken into three categories - Sacred Stories, Parables, and Liturgical Actions. The stories are designed to help the children learn and wonder not only about stories in the Bible, but to understand and see the richness of our church traditions. If you would like to see the Baptism story told, you can watch this link. Reverend Cheryl Minor is the co-rector of All Saints' Episcopal Church in Belmont, MA, along with her husband, and is also a Godly Play trainer. <https://youtu.be/Juatr2NVOeY>

If you are ever interested in seeing our own Godly Play classroom in action, simply fill out a CORI form with a copy of your driver's license and we can find a Sunday for you to serve as a Safe Church Advocate. I'm always happy to talk about Godly Play, so let me know if you have ANY questions!

Katie LaRochelle, Debbie Collins, Jen Dowd, Vicki Albright, Laura Barry, Katelyn Conklin, and Larisa Ducharme

### Colors of Christ (pre-k- K)

Guess what is new in Colors of Christ? This year we have a Jesus doll traveling to all the children's homes for a week at a time so each child can have quality time with Jesus. They then get the opportunity to write about their experiences with Jesus in his journal so the class can hear about his journey. Jesus is taking a brief sabbatical from the travel circuit for the next few weeks in order to receive help with his hair from Linda Webb. Thank you Linda! Meanwhile, the kids are having a lovely time helping with the felt stories, doing crafts, singing songs, and learning the Lord's Prayer.

## Getting to know Jesus

These are a few of the pages from the Journal that accompanies Jesus home with children from the Colors of Christ. Enjoy!

