



FAITH AT HOME

Aldersgate Church ~ St. Louis Park, MN

Week of February 13, 2022: John 6:35-59

Memory Verse

John 6:35: Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The Lord's Prayer

(Have your kids repeat after you!)

Dear God,
Our Mommy, Daddy & Parent
Up in heaven
You are good
Come here with us
And do what you want to do
Just like you do in heaven
Thank you for giving me food
to eat
Clothes to wear
And a warm blanket at night
Thank you for loving me
always
Even when I make bad
choices
I am sorry
Help me to love my friends
and family
Even when they make bad
choices
Keep me safe
You are good
So very good
Amen.

The Story: The Bread of Life

³⁵Then Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry. And whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ³⁶But it is just as I told you. You have seen me, and you still do not believe. ³⁷Everyone the Father gives me will come to me. I will never send away anyone who comes to me. ³⁸I have not come down from heaven to do what I want to do. I have come to do what the one who sent me wants me to do. ³⁹The one who sent me doesn't want me to lose anyone he has given me. He wants me to raise them up on the last day. ⁴⁰My Father wants all who look to the Son and believe in him to have eternal life. I will raise them up on the last day."



⁴¹Then the Jews there began to complain about Jesus. That was because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They said, "Isn't this Jesus, the son of Joseph? Don't we know his father and mother? How can he now say, 'I came down from heaven'?"

⁴³"Stop complaining among yourselves," Jesus answered. ⁴⁴"No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me brings them. Then I will raise them up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, 'God will

Craft Corner

Bread of Life Booklet You will need: a copy (for each child) of the booklet pages (pg 3), scissors, stapler. Have each child cut out the bread shapes and sort them into 2 piles according to which booklet they go in (a Food book and a Jesus book). The order does not matter; staple pages of each book. This activity helps children understand the metaphor of Jesus being the bread of life (John 6:35). Discuss how food meets our physical needs and how Jesus meets our spiritual needs.

(Bread of Life Booklets from Shirley McKinstry at ministry-to-children.com)

Do you need a new Children's Bible? The link below is a great guide on choosing one:

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teach all of them.' (Isaiah 54:13) Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me. ⁴⁶ No one has seen the Father except the one who has come from God. Only he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ What I'm about to tell you is true. Everyone who believes has life forever. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Long ago your people ate the manna in the desert, and they still died. ⁵⁰ But here is the bread that comes down from heaven. A person can eat it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Everyone who eats some of this bread will live forever. This bread is my body. I will give it for the life of the world." ⁵² Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves. They said, "How can this man give us his body to eat?"

⁵³ Jesus said to them, "What I'm about to tell you is true. You must eat the Son of Man's body and drink his blood. If you don't, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Anyone who eats my body and drinks my blood has eternal life. I will raise them up on the last day. ⁵⁵ My body is real food. My blood is real drink. ⁵⁶ Anyone who eats my body and drinks my blood remains in me. And I remain in them. ⁵⁷ The living Father sent me, and I live because of him. In the same way, those who feed on me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven. Long ago your people ate manna and died. But whoever eats this bread will live forever." ⁵⁹ He said this while he was teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum. (New International Reader's Version)

Discussion: Have you ever gone without eating for a whole day? Explain that your body begins to get weak if you don't have food to eat. Food is one of our basic needs - we all must eat to live. Today we are going to learn how Jesus can give us something else we need.

Jesus can give eternal life

Jesus is the bread of life

Everyone who believes in Jesus will have eternal life

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Food



Meets Our
Physical Needs



Jesus' love keeps us safe.



Jesus' words help us learn.



Protein helps us grow.



Jesus' death gives us life.



Vitamins keep us strong.



Carbohydrates give us energy.

Jesus



Meets Our
Spiritual Needs