

Worship Training Class

Week 1 – Preparing for Worship and Bulletin Outline

Review

Why should we worship? (This gets repeated every Sunday)

- God created us to worship
- Worship is why we go to church
- Worship is the only thing we get to do forever
- Jesus commands us to worship (Luke 19:37-40)
- Worship is good for God's glory
- Allows us to fix our eyes on Jesus
- God values children (Matthew 18:14, Mark 10:14, Luke 18:16)

Ways to prepare for worship

- Set out clothes and shoes the night before
- Bring a Bible
- Get tithing ready the night before
- Look at bulletin on Spring Run website (posted Friday evenings) to see scripture and music for following Sunday
- Get proper sleep Saturday night
- Listen to praise music on the way to church
- Come with a good attitude

Next Week

We will study prayer and tithing.

Bring a Bible if you have one.

Look at a bulletin on Spring Run website under sermons (posted Friday evenings).

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Week 2 – Prayer and Tithing

Review

Prayers during worship service – look at bulletin:

- Meditation
- Confession of Sin and Assurance of Forgiveness
- Prayer of Petition
- Benediction (blessing)

How can you participate in these prayers each Sunday?

- Silently pray along
- Pray out loud in the congregational prayers – bold print and stand when asked
- Memorize the Lord's Prayer
- Pray for the pastors, our church, and others during the week

How do we prepare for tithing?

- Pray and plan ahead
- Discuss with parents what you will give of your time, talents, and tithe.
- Prepare ahead of time – don't rush out the door and give God your left overs.

Next Week

You will be in worship with your parents (Sept. 27th)

The following week we will study music and scripture (Oct. 4th).

Bring a Bible if you have one.

Look at a bulletin on Spring Run website under sermons (posted Friday evenings).

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Week 3 – Music and Scripture

Review

Ways to worship with song:

- Clap, sing, shout, stand, dance, lift hands, musical instruments, bow
- Sing la la la if don't know words
- Sing the chorus or words that repeat
- Squeeze your parent's hand every time you hear the word Jesus, God, etc.
- Have your parents explain meanings of songs before or after worship
- Think of a Bible story while listening to a piece of music

How are we worshipping when we read scripture?

- God has something important to tell you through scripture - listen!
- Scripture prepares us for what we will hear in the sermon
- Some scripture teaches us or reminds us how to worship (Psalms)

What can you do during the service to focus on scripture?

- Look up the Bible verses before the worship service begins. Mark it with a bookmark.
- Follow along when the verse is read. Point to it in the bulletin or in your Bible. Have your parents help you if you are still learning to read.

Next Week

We will study the sermon.

Bring a Bible if you have one.

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Week 4 – Sermon

Review

What do you do during the sermon? How can you listen?

- Sit with your parents during worship (harder to pay attention to God when paying attention to a friend next to you)
- If you can't sit with a parent during worship, sit with someone your parents want you to sit with and who won't be a distraction
- Avoid going to the bathroom (go before church and limit water)
- Avoid getting up to get a drink of water
- Eliminate distractions (toys, books, loose change, coloring books, trucks, dolls, candy, gum)
- Ask parents questions if you don't understand
- Listen for the "stories" being told in the sermon
- If your parents are okay with this, draw a picture of the sermon or take notes

What can you do when the sermon is over?

- Review highlights when you go home
- Quiz your parents – ask them 3 questions about the sermon to see if they were listening
- Pray for your pastor as he prepares the sermon.
- Pray for your family to have teachable hearts to learn the Word of God.

Next Week

We will study baptism and communion.

Bring pictures of your baptism if you have them.

Bring a Bible if you have one.

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Week 5 – Baptism and Communion

Review

Baptism

- Watch, listen, and pay attention when a person is being baptized
- Pray for this person
- If a baby is baptized, help and love them in the nursery, at bagel time, outside of church

Communion

- Participate once a profession of faith has been made before the church
- If not ready for communion, pray with your family members when they return from partaking in communion
- If taking communion, pray before and after (make sure your unresolved issues with God or others have been resolved)

Next Week

This was the last class – next week you will be in worship with parents. Look at a bulletin on Spring Run website under sermons (posted Friday evenings).

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