



Lemont United Methodist Church Sunday School



Notes to Parents

Dear Parents,

September 2008

We're back to school! Thank you for sharing your children with us for another year! Once again we are looking forward to having fun and becoming closer to your children, while helping them develop a growing relationship with God/Jesus. We kicked off this year's Sunday School with the Rally Day's, "Win with the Lord!" While we had a lot of fun with the racecar theme, there is a serious side too. Throughout the year, we hope to impart that with God on our team, we may not "win" every race but we are certain to win in Life!

Understanding that repetition reinforces learning, we are cycling through our 3-year Faithweaver curriculum again. This is a wonderful, age-specific, interactive curriculum where each lesson focuses on a main point to help us understand more about God and what he wants. Bible stories, verses, games and crafts are used to emphasize that point. The children receive take-home sheets and challenges to encourage them to apply each week's lesson to their daily lives. If you can ask about what they learn and help them figure out how to apply the Bible point, they will get much more out of it. Some additional resources for you are www.Faithweaver.com (check out HomeConnect under Teacher's Tips) and www.lemontumc.org (check out past issues of "Notes to Parents" under Ministries). Our Jr. High Sunday School class and High School Breakfast Club discussions will be more issues-based.

If you have questions or would like to help in any way, please contact either of us.

Yours in Christ,

Karin Peraino & Mary Rohrer

Prayer Connect



Each month we will print a short prayer that you can use. This prayer will help reinforce the lessons your children are learning. This month's theme is **Belief in God as Creator; Isaiah 40:28a**

Dear Lord,
May my children know you as the everlasting God and the Creator of the ends of the earth.



Prayer Partners: Because we believe in the power of prayer, we will once again be providing Prayer Partners to all Sunday School children. Each Partner will be assigned a couple of children to include in their prayers. All children will automatically be included in this program unless you request otherwise. If you are interested in becoming a Prayer Partner, please provide us with the following: Your Name, address, phone, and e-mail. (Your child can just put it in the collection basket and we'll be in touch.)

Meet The Teachers

- ✓ **Preschool/Kindergarten:** Christy Brosseau, Vicki Olinger, Jodi Stood
- ✓ **1st & 2nd grade:** Christine Miller, Deb Neitzel
- ✓ **3rd & 4th grade:** Becky Greenberg, Julie Phillips
- ✓ **5th & 6th:** Kathy & Teague Cliff, Grace Kirkman, Bob Rohrer
- ✓ **7th & 8th grade:** Glee Ann Kehr, Karin Peraino, Steve & Gina Walter



FaithWeaver

FaithWeaver Bible Curriculum – Weaving Faith Through Life!

Using FaithWeaver, teachers will teach as Jesus taught, with a variety of learning experiences and interactive discussions. All grade levels will cover the same lesson, which can make follow-up discussions easy and interesting. Take home pages will be provided to keep you informed and allow you to continue the learning at home. Lessons move chronologically through the bible—Old Testament in the Fall, New Testament in the Winter/Spring.

- ✦ **Memorable Bible Lessons:** The experiential lessons connect from church to home, moving Bible lessons beyond church walls and into people’s lives!
- ✦ **Relevant for Today—and Every Day:** Each learner, no matter the age, sees how God’s Word is relevant to their lives, then applies it every day.
- ✦ **Reinforced Bible Learning All Week Long:** The HomeConnect™ section on each student page, everyone studying the same Bible story, and Driving Home the Point take-home pages help make this happen!
- ✦ **Know How to Live Like Christ:** Participants take what they’ve learned in class and use it to shape decisions about how they live their daily lives.

Although we hope to see every student each week, we realize that schedules sometimes do not allow that. Below is a calendar of upcoming lessons so that you may review them at home with your child if he/she should have to miss.

Lesson & Date	Bible Story	<i>Scripture</i>	Key Verse	<i>Bible Point</i> Ages 3-5	<i>Bible Point</i> Grades 1-9
FALL 2008 (Old Testament)					
<i>Rally Day 9/07/08</i>					
1) 9/14	God Creates the World	Genesis 1:1-2:3	Genesis 1:1	<i>God made everything</i>	<i>God created the World</i>
2) 9/21	God Creates Adam & Eve	Genesis 2:4-22	Psalm 139:14	<i>God made us</i>	<i>We're important to God</i>
3) 9/28	Adam & Eve Sin	Genesis 3:1-24	Romans 3:23	<i>God cares for us</i>	<i>We all sin</i>
5) 10/05	Noah Builds the Ark	Genesis 6:5-22	Acts 5:29	<i>God wants us to obey</i>	<i>God wants us to obey</i>
6) 10/12	God Floods the Earth	Genesis 7:1-8:22; 9:8-16	Psalm 145:13b	<i>God keeps all promises</i>	<i>God's promises are always reliable</i>
7) 10/19	People Build Tower at Babel	Genesis 11:1-9	Deuteronomy 6:5	<i>We need God</i>	<i>We all need God</i>
Notes: Halloween Bake Sale is 10/26/08; Children bring goodies to sell at 8:30 and 10:45 Church Also, boxes will be distributed for "Trick or Treat for UNICEF" 10/26/08 is Bible Sunday; 3 rd graders will receive their Bibles in 10:45 Church					
8) 10/26	Abram Follows God's Direction	Genesis 12:1-8	Proverbs 3:5-6	<i>We can trust God</i>	<i>We can always trust God</i>