

Lemont United Methodist Church  
Sunday School



# Notes to Parents

Dear Parents,

March 2014

I've always been a bit of a perfectionist. While on the surface that sounds like a good thing, it can also be considered one of my biggest faults. My need for perfection can cause me to delay starting something for fear of not being good enough; it can cause me to take longer than necessary to complete a task because I'm constantly making improvements; and it can cause me to be critical of others' efforts if they don't match up to my vision. I apologize to anyone who has had to deal with the negative consequences of this trait.

I do hope that I've gotten better at it over the years as I have realized that perfection is usually not necessary. In fact, it's not really possible. The reality is that the only truly perfect person was Jesus. While many may have come close, even our biblical heroes had faults. Moses, who led the Israelites out of Egypt, killed someone he saw beating a man. David, considered one of Israel's greatest kings, committed adultery. Peter, whom Jesus called "The Rock," denied Jesus three times. In spite of their serious mistakes, God forgave each of them and went on to work through them to accomplish great things. God has promised to forgive us too.

Once we realize that God loves us in spite of our faults, it can be very freeing. We are free to try to live as God wants us to, without worrying that we might not be good enough. If we put our lives in God's hands, he will work through us. That thought is very reassuring as a parent! It is also a good message to pass on to our children. Just like our imperfect biblical heroes, our children can accomplish great things! They don't have to be perfect, they just have to let God lead the way and do their best. Happy Parenting!

Yours in Christ,  
Karin Peraino & Mary Rohrer

### Mark Your Calendar

- ✓ 03/30 = No Sunday School (Spring Break)
- ✓ 04/20 = No Sunday School (Easter); Easter Egg Hunt will be held in Sanctuary at 10am

**Prayer Connect**

*This month's theme is **Trust in God** (Matthew 6:33)*




Dear Lord,  
I pray that my children never worry but that they seek first your kingdom and righteousness.

Amen

**THANK YOU!**  
\$116.70 was collected for the Open Pantry on Souper Bowl Sunday! Great job, kids!

March Open Pantry Need:  
**Canned or Dried Beans**



# GROW



Spring 2014				
Teacher	Date	Session	Bible Story	Scripture
<b>Unit 1: The Way to Jerusalem</b>				
<b>Bible Point: I praise God for Jesus</b>				
Key Verse: "As Jesus approached the road leading down from the Mount of Olives, the whole throng of his disciples began rejoicing. They praised God with a loud voice because of all the mighty things they had seen" ~Luke 19:37				
	3/02	1	<i>Jesus and the Children</i>	Luke 18:15-17
	3/09	2	<i>A Man Born Blind</i>	Luke 18:35-43
	3/16	3	<i>Zacchaeus</i>	Luke 19:1-10
	3/23	4	<i>The Lord's Supper</i>	Luke 22:7-23, 33-34
<b>Unit 2: In Jerusalem</b>				
<b>Bible Point: I know that Jesus lives</b>				
Key Verse: "The Lord really has risen!" ~ Luke 24:34				
	4/06	2	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	Luke 19:29-40
	4/13	3	<i>Easter</i>	Luke 24:1-12

*(Note: Jr. High continues to watch and discuss "The Bible" miniseries as well as complete Confirmation lessons from the "Credo" series.*

*The HS Breakfast Club holds discussions based on various religious materials.)*

*Breakfast Club dates: 3/09/14, 3/23/14, (3wk break), 4/13/14, 4/27/14, 5/11/15*

## Thoughts for the Month

"Store up for yourselves treasures in Heaven."

~Matthew 6:20

"You don't need a rainbow to find your pot of gold."

~Anonymous



