

May 19, 2019

Jesus' Ascension

"Jesus has gone away to heaven, and some day, just as he went, he will return!"

Acts 1:11^b

"Last Sunday, Class Hope learned about the Ascension of Jesus both in story and activity. Children created a visual of Jesus ascending into heaven using paper cutouts of Jesus, a cloud and the sun, along with cotton balls, string and a cup. The children colored their paper cutouts then attached cotton balls to the cup and taped their paper cutouts to the string that was attached to the cup. As they pulled on one side of the string, Jesus would rise up disappearing under the cup. This valuable lesson about Jesus' ascension to heaven visualizes the message that Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again! What great truth, what wonderful hope to look forward to." Teacher Donalyn Hellar



Class Hope



Kids in class faith were asked how they saw the world, how they perceived what was around them. From their observations they made a poster that would translate their thoughts into a picture or words. All of them agreed that the world was "dark" and "needs hope". One of them wrote "there is hope in all the badness of the world." After discussion and explanation of their poster, the class opened their Bible and turned to Acts 1, an account of Jesus's ascension to heaven before the eyes of witnesses. Wasn't Jesus the Messiah people were waiting for to save them from the oppressive rulers? The class learnt that Jesus assured his disciples and followers of the Holy Spirit who will comfort them and give them power to testify of him, to bring the message of hope to the people. And as Jesus promised, he will return to take his own. When asked if they believed this promise, the class was divided. Then we had to go. So we ended the class praying the Lord's Prayer. Next Sunday, the class will learn about the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Godhead and his role in God's plan of redemption.

Class Faith



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Nursery Care



*"Children are a blessing
and a gift from the LORD."
Psalm 127:3*

St. John's Episcopal Church is so blessed to have many children. And with this gift we would like to encourage church members to take part in serving our youngest members by volunteering in our nursery care or Sunday School. Training will be provided to safeguard our children.

Please email
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if interested.

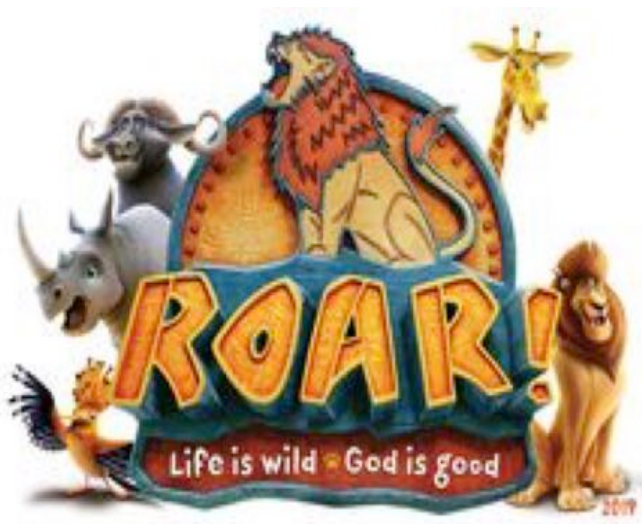
ANNOUNCEMENT

Children Ministry Teachers and Volunteers Meeting on June 2 at 11:30am to 12:30noon in the Fireside Room. We invite parents to attend if available.

Group Picture Taking on June 2 during the Sunday School class. Please indicate when you bring your kid to Sunday School if you prefer not to have your kid's picture taken.

Teachers/Volunteers Appreciation on June 9 at the end of the 10am Worship Service. We hope your child will be present on that day so they can express their appreciation to our dedicated teachers/volunteers.

The faith journey continues . . . Sunday School for School Year 2018-2019 ends June 9 and Summer Sunday School starts on June 16. It's an all ages curriculum of summer fun for kids 4 years to 10 years old.



St. John's Episcopal Church Adventure Camp 2019 on July 29 to August 2, 9am to noon, is a week filled with awesome fun for **PreK to 5th graders**. The theme **"Roar: Life is Wild, God is Good!"** is an epic adventure where kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life!

Registration is \$50/child, which includes snacks and T-shirt. Online registration is now open. Youth are invited to serve as counselors-in-training and parents are encouraged to volunteer a day or more.