SUMMER...TIME TO REFLECT!

A 10-MINUTE DEVOTION

FOR KIDS

FROM FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

READ THIS ...

Praise God with the sounding of the trumpet! Praise God with pipe and dancing! Praise God with a clash of symbols!

-Psalm 150



REFLECT ON THIS ...

- THERE ARE 150 PSALMS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT. CAN YOU FIND THE LAST ONE? IT'S PSALM 150 AND IT SAYS THAT WE SHOULD PRAISE GOD JOYFULLY, ENERGETICALLY, LOUDLY! THIS IS WHAT NATHAN WAS DOING IN HIS TIME FOR THE YOUNG. THE WHEEL, DRUM AND BELL IN HIS HEART WERE PRAISING GOD!
- SOMETIMES WE ARE TOLD TO BE QUIET AND STILL IN THE SANCTUARY AS WE WORSHIP GOD BUT PSALM 150 TELLS US TO BE LOUD AND DANCE AROUND AND BANG THINGS AND SING OUT OUR LOVE OF GOD. WHEN WE CAN RE-GATHER IN OUR SANCTUARY MAYBE WE SHOULD HAND OUT DRUMS AND BELLS AND WHISTLES AND NOISE MAKERS TO CELEBRATE GOD AND US BEING BACK TOGETHER!

WONDER ABOUT THIS ...

• WHAT WAYS DO WE MAKE NOISE AND MUSIC IN OUR USUAL WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE SANCTUARY? WHAT INSTRUMENTS HAVE YOU SEEN US USE?

- WHAT INSTRUMENTS OR OBJECTS COULD BE FUN TO USE TO EXPRESS OUR LOVE AND PRAISE OF GOD? WHAT ABOUT A JAW HARP? IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT IS WATCH HERE HTTPS://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hr Jep Qoem. CAN YOU IMAGINE A SANCTUARY FULL OF THOSE SOUNDS?!
- DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE SONG YOU'VE HEARD IN CHURCH THAT PRAISES GOD WELL?

PRAY LIKE THIS ...

GOD THANK YOU FOR GIVING US MUSIC IN THIS WORLD AND ALL SORTS OF BEAUTIFUL, WONDERFUL AND CRAZY INSTRUMENTS! WE PRAISE YOU WITH OUR WHOLE LIVES, WITH OUR QUIET WHISPERED PRAYERS AND OUR LOUD JOYOUS SHOUTS AND SONGS. HELP US TURN THE NOISE OF OUR LIVES INTO MUSIC THAT BLESSES OTHERS. AMEN!