

Eucharist Prep 3

2019-2020 Home Assignment

Theme: Liturgy of the Eucharist

- Objectives:**
1. Be able to retell the gospel story about the miracle of the loaves and the fishes.
 2. Be able to explain why Jesus performed miracles.
 3. Connect the miracle to the Eucharist.
 3. Consider how the Eucharist is food for us.

Activities

Read the story “Filled Full” from the Jesus Storybook Bible.

Consider the following questions:

- How do the disciples suggest the crowds get something to eat?
- When Jesus tells the disciples to feed the people, what is their initial reaction?
- How does Jesus feed the people?
- What happened in the story?
- What is a miracle? (something that could not have happened without God’s help)
- Why is it the most natural thing in the world that God could feed everyone from so little? (Jesus performed the miracle because he knew the people were hungry and he wanted them to understand that he is God’s Son and truly divine)
- In the miracle of the loaves and the fishes, God through His Son provides food in abundance or more than is needed. What should be our response to how God provides for us in our lives? How can we show our gratitude to God?

Re-read pages 48 and 49 in the Eucharist: We Give Thanks and Praise book.

- The bread and wine that we share at Eucharist is different than the food Jesus shared with the crowd in the Scripture story. At Eucharist, we share the real Body and Blood of Jesus.
- What does “Amen” mean? (So be it! I believe!)
- We believe that the Church is the People of God, the Body of Christ. Those nourished by the Body of Christ in the Eucharist are built into the Body of Christ. This means that through the celebration of Eucharist, we grow together into a community that lives out Jesus’ mission of sharing the Good News with others. Think about a body. How do these ideas apply to the Church?
 - it has different parts
 - it works together for a common purpose
 - each part is important
 - it is one
 - what would happen if all the parts wanted to be an eye or a foot?

Connection to the Eucharist

Questions to consider:

- What are some foods that are good for you to eat? What makes them good for you?
- What are some foods that we shouldn't eat too often? Why should we avoid these foods?
- What happens when we eat food? How does it become a part of our body?
- Think about the bread that has become the Body of Jesus and the wine that has become the Body of Jesus. What happens when we consume the Body and Blood of Jesus? How does Jesus feed us in the Eucharist?

Pray the "Our Father" together

When we say "give us this day our daily bread," we are saying "give us this day our supersubstantial bread." What more awesome bread could there be than the Eucharist???

After you complete this assignment, ask your child one thing that they learned from the assignment and email what they learned to dremaley@holyeucharist.org