



Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church

FAMILY

CAMP

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Saturday, June 6th, 2020

There's no doubt that this year's Family Camp will be different than usual but we are excited to have some opportunities to discover God's creation and spend time praising God for the beauty of the earth.

You may use as many or as few of the activities included! Whatever works best for your family. Some activities may need to be modified for our youngest friends (and others for our older friends!) We hope you enjoy a fun day with your family, doing something a little bit different!

We'd love to be able to document our Family Camp this year, even though we can't be together. Please email pictures of your day to familyministries@fapc.org or upload them to our Family Ministries Facebook Page throughout the day (Family Ministries at FAPC).

What you will need:

Several activities do not require any additional supplies. Please read through the options and select which ones you will be doing that will need additional supplies. Then return here for an easier to read supply list!

Breakfast:

- Complete Pancake Mix (just add water)
- Fun pancake toppings - fruit, chocolate, syrup, whip cream, etc.

Tell the Story of Creation:

- Paper, Markers, crayons, colored pencils

Morning Activities:

- Attached Scavenger Hunt page
- Paper and pencil to write down charades clues
- Ingredients for cookies: sugar cookie mix (plus added ingredients on box), blue and green food coloring
- Supplies for cookies: mixing bowl, fork, greased cookie sheet, oven

Picnic Lunch:

- String cheese, Hard boiled eggs, Homemade trail mix—nuts, raisins, and m&ms, Tea Sandwiches - whichever ingredients your kids will eat!, Cherry tomatoes, bell peppers or cucumbers, Peaches, watermelon or blackberries, Peanut Butter, Bananas, Pretzels, Raisins, Shredded coconut

Afternoon Activities:

- Computer or internet device to connect to Zoom at 1:30pm
- Empty toilet paper roll, peanut butter, string and bird seed

Dinner & S'mores:

- Hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, cheese, pickles, ham slices, ketchup
- Marshmallows, graham crackers, chocolate

Evening Activities:

- Paper, markers or paints, crayons or colored pencils
- Blankets and pillows for fort, device with star gazing app

Breakfast

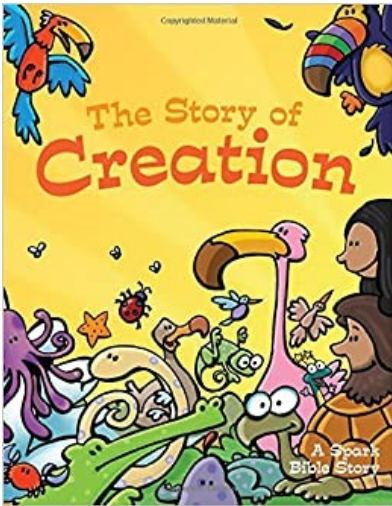
Use one of these ideas for your breakfast this morning:

1. Work together to make breakfast this morning. As you prepare, talk about what makes up all the things you are eating this morning all the way down to the basics. Cereal? Grains! Omelets? Eggs! Talk about where these things come from (farms, etc) and find images online to show them if they haven't seen them before. Share: *which fruit or vegetable are you most thankful for? Wonder together about how God could have thought of so many different colors and shapes and sizes and tastes.*



2. Make pancakes together and use fruit or other fun toppings to allow kids to decorate their pancakes as animals. Have everyone guess what animal everyone else has made before you dig in! Then share: *if you could be a bird or sea animal for a day, which one would you be? What blessings has God given the animal you chose?*

After breakfast is over, wash the dishes together and thank God for giving us water to clean things.



Tell the Story of Creation

Read the story of creation in Genesis 1:1–2:9 or from your favorite story Bible. Then choose one or more of the activities below to re-tell the story together:

- Think about things that God created using the letters of the alphabet as a guide. For example, God created the earth and he made Adam. The next person would then say, God created the earth and he made Adam and (something that starts with the letter B. Keep going, repeating the things that God made for each letter, and adding one more for the next until you reach Z!
- How many seven-word sentences can you put together to retell this story? Use your fingers to count each word. Here is an example: *There was only one God and nothing else.*
- Call out all the animals that you can think of that God created. As someone calls out an animal, everyone else should make that animal sound. Keep doing this until you run out of animals!
- On a sheet of paper, draw the sky, land and sea, plants, birds and fish. As the story is read again, use your fingers to hop, run, and crawl across the page when God creates animal. Then use walking fingers to show the man and woman.

After retelling the story, discuss these questions together:

1. **What do you think was the most amazing thing God created?**
2. **How can we thank God for God's creation?**

Morning Activities

Take time this morning for some fun camp activities! If you're able to go outside or to a park, do it! Take some time to play together as a family. Do as many or as few of the activities below as you would like.

Scavenger Hunt

- Use the scavenger hunt on the next page and have a competition, or work together to find the items.
- After you've found the items, talk about which was your favorite thing that God created.

Charades

- Write clues on small pieces of paper clues and play a game of creation charades together.
- Possible clues: Stars, fish, giraffe, butterfly, eagle, squid, turtle, Adam and Eve, rose, mosquito, elephant, mouse, tiger, grass,

Baking Earth Cookies

- Using boxed Sugar Cookie mix, make two batches of dough. To one batch add green food coloring and add blue coloring to the other.
- Combine small sections of dough to make balls of blue and green dough on your cookie sheet.
- Bake as instructed on box.
- Save these cookies for after lunch!



NATURE

SCAVENGER HUNT



Flower



Butterfly



Water



Grass



Tree



Green Leaf



Spiderweb



Brown Leaf



Bug



Ant



Rocks



Fern



Bird



Cloud



Tree Bark



Sand or Dirt

Picnic Lunch

Use the menu below, or prepare what you have on hand and make a fun picnic lunch. Go outside, or use your imagination and turn your living room into a park! Don't forget to use a picnic blanket and eat on the ground to make it more fun!

Picnic Menu

String cheese.

Hard boiled eggs.

Homemade trail mix with nuts, raisins and m&ms

Fun-sized tea sandwiches

Crunchy veggies like cherry tomatoes, bell peppers or cucumbers.

Seasonal fruits like peaches, watermelon or blackberries.

Peanut butter banana caterpillars.



While you are picnicking, call out the names of fruits or vegetables. After three names say "So good! Thank you Lord!"

Ask: Which fruit and vegetable are you most thankful for?

Have your freshly made Earth Cookies for dessert!

Afternoon Activities

Story Time Zoom

Join Jaime on Zoom at 1:30 pm for a story time and a check in to see how your Family Camp experience is going. And of course say hello to everyone else who is participating!

Family Talent Show Practice

Tonight you will have the opportunity to put on a family talent show together! Take some time this afternoon for everyone to prepare their talent! It could be a song, a joke, a trick, or even a story!

Feed the Birds

- God has called us to care for God's creation, including the birds!. For this activity you will need an empty toilet paper roll, string, peanut butter, and bird seed!
- Cover the toilet paper roll in a thin layer of peanut butter. Pour out some bird seed onto a plate, then gently roll the toilet paper roll over the plate to pick up the bird seed. Thread a piece of string through the roll and tie it into a loop .
- Hang it on a patio, balcony, or tree, so you can see the birds!

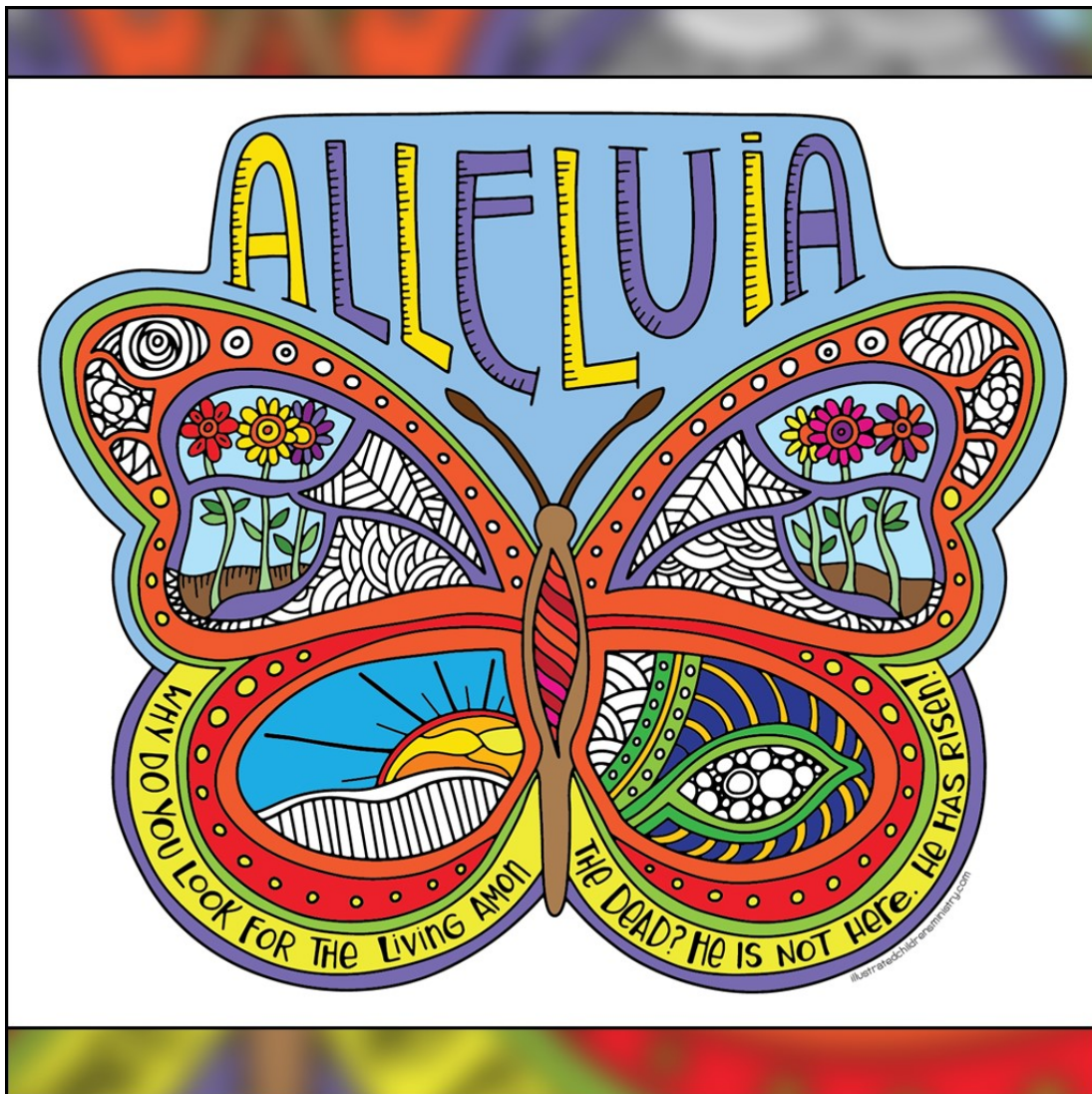


Community Mosaic Tiles

If you have a printer and markers, we would love to have you join us in creating colorful artwork for the Christian Education Center for our return to church.

Just let Jaime know (jstaehle@fapc.org) that your family would like to be included and we will email you Mosaic Tiles of the Alleluia poster below that you can print out and color with markers today.

Then, when we are able to return to church just bring your tiles with you and we will put them all together to make a beautiful work of art that reminds us of our time spent apart.



Dinner & S'mores

Plan to make hamburgers and hotdogs for dinner tonight. , just like you'd have at camp! Try some of the below to make a fun dinner: and continue with our creation theme:



Octo Dogs! Cut hot dogs into thirds crosswise. Cut the two hot dog ends lengthwise, leaving 1/4- to 1/2-inch intact, to form 8 "legs." Boil the hot dogs and the legs with twirl and twist.

Monster Burgers! Place bottom halves of buns on serving platter. Place 1 cooked patty on bottom half of bun. Cut cheese slice in half in zig-zag pattern to look like teeth. Place half of cheese slice on burger, with "teeth" hanging off 1 side of patty. Loosely fold ham into tongue shape; place on top of "teeth." Place remaining cheese "teeth" on top of "tongue." Top with top half of bun. Place 2 pickle slices on top for eyes. Dot "eyes" with ketchup for pupils.



Finish off your dinner with some microwave s'mores! On a paper towel place 1 cracker square. Top with chocolate and marshmallow. Add top cracker. Microwave on high 15 seconds or until marshmallow puffs.

Evening Activities

We've had a big day exploring God's creation. As we begin to wind down, here are some activities for evening:

Sunset

Plan to watch the sunset together. Then draw or paint a picture of it.



Go Camping

- Make a makeshift fort or tent in your living space using blankets, pillows etc. Work with your kids to put it together.
- Download a free night sky app (I use Sky Finder Guide) . Climb into your fort and do some star gazing together virtually! See how many constellations you can find, and see what the night sky looks like above your home!
- If you're able to go outside, do all of this outside! The fort/tent may even be a fun place to sleep for the night!

Sing Along with Werner

Jaime will send out an email on June 6th with instructions for how to join Werner via video for some fun camp songs!

Family Talent Show

It's time to put your talents on display! Hopefully everyone was able to take some time this afternoon to plan their talent for this evening!