along the way

Along The Way is a monthly resource for families to nurture faith by connecting church and home. The ideas shared are taken from the stories the kids are exploring at church on Sundays this month.









Wee Ones (Birth - 3 Years)

BLESS

Jesus knows you, lesus loves you, And He is always with you.

Loft (4-6 years)

God made you, God loves you, God blesses you and God is with you.

Wonderground (1st-5th)

May the God who does the impossible show you He can do impossible things and that He is with YOU!

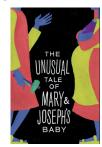
Sing: Christmas Songs

by Ellie Holcomb



The Unusual Tale of Mary and Joseph's Baby

by Waterdeep for grade schoolers and up



READ

Wee Ones (1-3 yrs)

Read the story of the birth of lesus in your favorite children's Bible.

Loft (4-6 yrs)

Read Luke 2: 1-20 or the Nativity story in your favorite children's Bible

Wonderground (1st-5th)

Read Luke 1 & 2: The story of Jesus' earthly family...aunts, uncles, cousins... and the story of lesus' birthday.

TALK

Wee Ones (1-3 yrs)

Christmas is when we remember Jesus' birthday. I wonder how we can celebrate his birthday together?

Loft (4-6 yrs)

Advent is when we wait for God's special son lesus to be born on Christmas Day. I wonder what you do when you are waiting for something special?

Wonderground (1st-5th)

Share about an aunt, uncle or cousin you enjoy. What do you like about them? What do you like doing with them? lesus grew up with aunts and uncles and cousins too.

PRAY

Wee Ones (1-3 yrs)

Sing Happy Birthday to lesus.

Loft (4-6 yrs)

Make a birthday card for lesus. Include a picture or write a prayer that tells Him what is on your mind.

Wonderground (1st-5th)

Make up a prayer to God in sign language or with hand motions.



These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. DEUTERONOMY 6:6-8

Serve Together: Avenue of Life Sat, Dec 13 8:30-10:30 am

Kids Sing in the service Sunday, Dec 21 9 or 11 am

Christmas Eve 3, 4:30 & 6 pm Kids Community for babes-kinder at 3 & 4:30

Pajama Day Sunday, Dec 28

ADVENT BOOKS WE LOVE

Wee Angel! Angel! What do you see? by Cherie Dittmer.

Wee The Story of Christmas, by Patricia Pingry.

Wee The Baby Bible Christmas Storybook, by Robin Currie.

Wee The First Christmas, by Robbie Trent.

Wee Early Who is Coming to Our House? by Joseph Slate.

Wee Early A Christmas Goodnight, by Nola Buck.

Wee Early Room for a Little One, by Martin Waddell.

Wee Early The First Night, by B. G. Hennessy.

Wee Early What Star is This? by Joseph Slate.

Wee Early Song of the Stars, by Sally Lloyd-Jones.

Wee Early Birds of Bethlehem, by Tomie dePaola.

Early Adv Santa's Favorite Story, by Hisako Aoki.

Early Adv The Animal's Christmas Eve, by Gale Wiersum.

Early Adv Humphrey's First Christmas, by Carol Heyer.

Early Adv Memories of the Manger, by Michelle Adams.

Early Adv Child of Bethlehem, by Elena Pasquali.

Early Adv Animals Christmas Carol, by Helen Ward.

Adv The Gift of the Christmas Cookie, by Dandi Mackall.

Adv The Most Precious Gift, by Marty Crisp.

Adv The First Christmas, by Carol Heyer.

Adv Bethlehem, by Fiona French.

Adv The Small One, by Alex Walsh.

Adv Christmas Day in the Morning, by Pearl S. Buck.

Adv Jotham's Journey, by Arnold Ytreeide.

Adv Choir of Angels, by Michele Mirabile.

Adv Joy to the World, by Tomie DePaola.

Adv One Wintery Night, by Ruth Belle Graham.

Adv The Best Christmas Pageant Ever,

by Barbara Robinson.

Wee - wee ones birth to 3
Early - early learners 3 to 6
Adv - advanced thinkers 6 and up

TUESDAY GATHERINGS



Contemplate the season through guided prayer, worship & silence. Sign up for childcare for babes - 5th graders by 12-7.



Join us as we invite Christ into our places of lament. Sign up for childcare for babes - 5th graders by 12-14.