

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

MARCH | LENT



Here's what's happening at St. John's Norway in the Children's Ministry.

Important Date(s):

March 4: Mardis Gras! Come out for a Church-wide family fun event :)

March 5: Ash Wednesday Service

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING & DOING

This time of year is a beautiful time in the Children's Ministry. We start by setting the table for Lent with the purple cloth (purple for preparation) as we prepare to celebrate Jesus' resurrection. We learn about the stations of the cross, the church calendar, the Last Supper, and the Cenacle/Upper Room.



Main presentations we will do and materials we will work with this season are:

- **The Geography Materials**
- **The Stations of the Cross, the Last Supper, and the Cenacle**
- **The Parable of the True Vine**
- **The Kingdom of God parables & Timeline**
- **The Maxims**



TEACHING & LIVING THE FAITH AT HOME

This section of the newsletter will highlight different ways to practice the faith at home, giving you simple tips to live out the faith as a family.

During this season of lent, think about something you would like to do both personally and as a family. During lent, we usually give something up that hurts our relationship with God, or start something new that helps.

Families with Younger Kids

Consider starting something to do each day throughout lent to help your relationship with God. It could be super simple, like praying for each other after dinner, or reading one verse of the Bible each day. Maybe every Sunday after church you go on a prayer walk!

Families with Older Kids & Teens

Consider fasting from something this lent. Reflect on how Jesus fasted, and the benefits of fasting. You could choose to give up a food, like meat or chocolate, but you could also choose to do a technology fast. Maybe no tech after 5 pm.

