

This week's video broadcast link!

GETTING READY:

You will need:

- internet access and printer for video, activity and song links;
- Spark Story Bible or Connect Bible
- Option 1: paper, pencil, marker; Option 2: 30" of string, large paperclip, stick, tape, scissors and markers

This week's take home kit supplies: Black and white printout of fish printed with the names of the disciples and a large paperclip

THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGES

Option 1 is to keep track of how you are Living in Faith Every Day, just like the disciples did! [This shoe-shaped checklist](#) will help you practice what we learned about Worship & Prayer, Tending to Scripture, Telling Our Stories, and Serving!

Option 2 is to learn the names of the 12 disciples. This [fishing game](#) from [sundayschoolkids.com](#) invites you to cut out (and color if desired) 12 fish printed with the names of the disciples, and then create a fishing pole made from 30" of string tied to a stick or dowel. Tie a large paperclip (opened to look like a hook) to the other end of the string, punch a hole in each fish (can reinforce the area to be punched with tape), and you are ready to go fishing! Set a timer to see how quickly you can catch each fish. Be sure to practice saying the disciples' names!

Send us 30 second video clips! We are featuring "Good News from St. Andrew's" on our Digital Dock broadcasts. Is something fun happening at your house? Did you lose a tooth? Go to the pumpkin patch? Jump in leaves with your siblings? Record a short 20 second video sharing your good news and send it to childrens@saintandrews.org!

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING THIS WEEK:

This week we start a new unit filled with stories about Jesus traveling and teaching the crowds that gathered to see him. Jesus knew he couldn't do this important work alone, so he chose or "called" 12 men to leave their work and families to follow him. As time went on, women also joined his team of disciples.

Bible Story - The Disciples

Read **The Disciples** found in Matthew 4:12-23, 9:9-13 and 10:1-4 starting on page 1072 of the *Connect Bible* or on page 258 in the *Spark Story Bible*. Jesus returned to Galilee after he spent 40 days in the wilderness to prepare for his teaching and ministry. As he was at the Sea of Galilee, Jesus began to call his disciples - some of the least likely people. Some of the disciples were brothers and fishermen - and one was a tax collector! Mary Magdalene also followed Jesus but is not counted as one of the 12 original disciples who had special authority from Jesus to cast out demons and cure sickness.

Consider talking about this parable the Faith5 way:

1. Share your highs and lows
2. Read the scripture or story
3. Talk about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs/lows - or - what you heard that sounded important
4. Pray for one another's highs and lows
5. Bless one another by making the sign of the cross of each other's foreheads, saying "God loves you and so do I."

Prayer

Dear God, we know that sharing you and Jesus with others is something you call us to do. Thank you for disciples long ago and the disciples today who follow Jesus and share your love with people everywhere. Guide us to be the best disciples we can possibly be. Amen.

