

At St. George's together we wonder...

Storytelling

Wondering

Exploring

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Godly Play invites children to explore spirituality through Montessori-based learning.

Children are invited to interact with ancient stories and respond with creativity in community.

We hope that your child and family will be blessed through this programme.

Godly Play is a creative, imaginative approach to Sunday School education for children and anyone with an enquiring mind.

- ✓ Godly Play teaches children the art of using Christian language parable, sacred story, silence and liturgical action helping them become more fully aware of the mystery of God's presence in their lives.
- ✓ When Christian language is learned by the Godly Play approach, it is learned as a means to know God and to make meaning of our lives.
- ✓ It's about understanding how each of the stories of God's people connects with the child's own experience and relationship with God. Godly Play respects the innate spirituality of children and encourages curiosity and imagination in experiencing the mystery and joy of God.
- ✓ The goal of Godly Play is to show how to be open to the Holy Spirit, the Creator, and the Redeemer all at once and all the time in every place. To achieve this goal is to help children become deeply rooted as Christians and yet at the same time use this powerful language and community to be open and creative.
- ✓ Godly Play is based on long established, tried and tested approaches.
- ✓ Godly Play encourages participants to make meaning for themselves by inviting them into stories and providing the opportunity for them to connect the stories with their personal experience.
- ✓ Children are invited to respond as they are led, rather than as they are told.
- ✓ Godly Play values process, openness and discovery.
- ✓ Godly Play is a way of preparing children to join in the worship and life of their congregations as they develop a deeper understanding of stories, symbols and rites.
- Children who are with their parents in Church will come downstairs together after the first hymn. The entrance for the Godly Play area will be through the North West stairwell past the Youth Room.
- ➤ Children who are coming for Godly Play directly should arrive for 10:00 AM through the North west end door from St. George's Street and down the stairwell to the lower hall, a helper will be there to greet your child and lead them to our Godly Play circle when it is time.

The Stories

- ♣ Circle of the Church Year
- ♣ The Holy Family
- Creation
- The Flood and the Ark
- The Great Family
- The Exodus
- ♣ The Ten Best Ways
- The Ark and The Tent
- ♣ The Ark and the Temple
- The Exile and Return
- The Prophets
- Epiphany
- ♣ Holy Baptism
- Parable of the Good Shepherd
- Parable of the Good Samaritan
- Parable of the Great Pearl
- Parable of the Sower
- ♣ Parable of the Mustard Seed
- ♣ The Mystery of Easter
- The Faces of Easter
- Jesus and the twelve
- ♣ The Good Shepherd and the World Communion
- The Synagogue and the Upper Room
- ♣ Circle of the Holy Eucharist
- ♣ Symbols of the Holy Eucharist
- ♣ The Mystery of Pentecost
- Paul's Discovery