

Church School

2010-2011
All Souls Congregational Church
Bangor, Maine

A Guide for
Parents and Families



What we have heard and known,
What our fathers have told us,
We will not hide them from their children;
We will tell the next generation the
praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,
His power, and the wonders he has done.
He decreed statutes for Jacob and
established the law in Israel,
which he commanded our forefathers
to teach their children,
so the next generation would know them,
Even the children yet to be born,
And they in turn would tell their children.
Then they would put their trust in God
And would not forget his deeds
But would keep his commands.

Psalm 78 (3-7) NIV



Mission Statement

The Mission of the Board of Christian Education, being comprised of members of All Souls Congregational Church, is to provide opportunities for members and friends to be educated in all aspects of the Christian faith.



Statement of Purpose

The purpose of providing education for members, youth, and friends of All Souls Church includes increasing knowledge of Scripture, church history, doctrines, spiritual disciplines such as prayer, fasting and devotions; encouraging the practical application of our faith in daily living, and nurturing young people of this community in their development of personal character.

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Welcome!

We welcome you and your family to Church School at All Souls Congregational Church. We hope that this guide might prove useful in explaining some of the details, logistics, and policies of the church school program. We encourage you to take a few minutes to review this material as you consider placing your child with us this year.



We sincerely ask that you register all of your children (including nursery-age) for Church School. Registration forms are available in the office and at the registration table on the first Sunday of Church School.

Whenever possible, it is our goal to provide each classroom with a lead teacher and an assistant at all times. This classroom staffing can change some, as teaching teams may choose to share teaching responsibilities equally, or share responsibilities on a rotating basis. Teaching assignments are frequently spread over three “terms” during the Church School year to avoid creating a burden for our volunteers. Some teachers, however, prefer to teach all year. This provides for wonderful continuity for the children.

The Church School Coordinator, Bobbi Martinez, is available each Sunday, to help as needed. Mrs. Martinez handles new registrations, helps teachers with supplies and logistics, provides substitute teachers when necessary, and helps solve any minor problems that may crop up. Please feel free to discuss any Church School problems or needs you may have with her.

If you have questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact us:

- A note left in the office, addressed to “Board of Christian Education;”
- Contact Mrs. Renee Garrett or Mrs. Bobbi Martinez before or after Sunday School or through the Church Office, 942-7354.

Emergencies

In the unlikely event of an emergency requiring evacuation of church facilities during services or church school, teachers and supervisors will lead students to the nearest exit. Once safely outside, they will stay with the children until they are reunited with their parents or guardians.

If an evacuation occurs, parents are asked to follow these instructions:

- ***Don't panic.*** Move to an emergency exit nearest you. Give assistance to those with limited movement. Exit the building as quickly as you can.
- ***Once outside,*** move to the meeting areas described above to locate family members.

Healthy Nursery and Toddler Playroom

We believe that snacks should be healthy for all children. Because our worship service lasts an hour, we have a cracker and water snack available for our Nursery charges to eat during their time with us. ***If your child has any food allergies, please be sure to note them on your registration form. This way we will be able to better accommodate your child's needs.*** Following are some of the snack foods we will serve.

Animal Crackers, Dolphin and Friends

Yellow or multigrain Goldfish

Cheese Snack Crackers, Graham Crackers, Thin Wheat Crackers

Pretzels or Pretzel Sticks

Cheddar Whales

Flavored Rice Cakes

Church School

All Souls' Church School is scheduled concurrently with Sunday Worship Services (approx. 10:15 – 11:15). Parents of infants and children younger than four years old may drop those children off in the Nursery before the worship service begins.

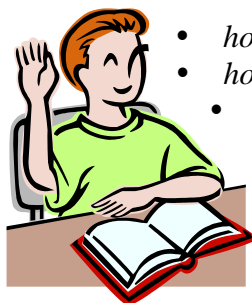
Students in Sunday school go to the Meetinghouse with their parents for the first part of the service which includes a children's message, up front with the pastors, during the school year.

When children are dismissed, students up to the High School level gather in the Vestry (immediately below the sanctuary) for songs, an offering, and announcements. Students then move to their respective classrooms for study and activities. High School Students adjourn directly from the Meetinghouse to their class space.

Parents with students in grades three and under, are asked to pick their children up in their classrooms. Teachers will not dismiss students until parents actually come to the class to pick them up. Please be aware that it is important to pick up your children immediately after church before joining in fellowship activities.

Behavior

Our experience has shown that behavior is seldom a problem with Church School students. Still, we offer three guidelines for families to consider as they discuss appropriate church behavior with their children. At all times that behavior should:



- *honor God* (through quiet reverence at appropriate times)
- *honor others* (through respect for others, their belongings, and their feelings);
- *honor self* (through safe play and self-respect).

Should behavior become a problem in the Church School classroom, teachers will call on the Church School Coordinator or Superintendent, who may contact parents in church for their input and assistance. If a pattern of problem behavior develops, the Minister of Christian Nurture can be of assistance in suggesting solutions and working with families.

Age / Grade Groups and Class Locations

To facilitate learning and balance class sizes, church school classes are divided into the following Age/Grade groups:

Age Group/Class

* Infants and Toddlers
* Pre-school
Kindergarten
Grade 1
Grades 2/3
Grade 4
Grade 5/6
Grades 7/8
High School

Location

Nursery
Room 5
Room 3
Room 4
Stetson Rm
Room C
Eagle's Nest
Vestry
Room A



* The nursery is the only room set up for changing diapers. Therefore, youngsters need to be potty trained before entering the Pre-school class. October 15 is the cutoff date for determining enrollment in a particular age or grade group. A child must turn three by October 15, 2010 in order to join the Preschool class during the 2010-11 Church School year. For graded classes, students will attend the class that corresponds with their grade in school unless a more appropriate placement is determined.

Church School CALENDAR 2010-11



August

29- Registration only

September

5 - Registration only

12- Church School Begins – Welcome Back class!

19 - Regular classes - Kindergarten Blessing, Teacher blessing

26 - Regular classes – Confirmation Class mtg.

October

3 - Regular classes - 3rd Grade Race through the Bible, 8:45 am

10 - Regular classes – 3rd Grade Race through the Bible, 8:45 am

17- Regular classes - 3rd Grade Race through the Bible, 8:45 am

24 -Regular classes –3rd Grade Race through the Bible, 8:45 am

31 - Regular classes -3rd Grade Bible Presentation

November

7- Regular classes

14- Regular classes

21- Regular classes - *Thanksgiving Bread Sunday*

28 - Regular classes

December

5 - Regular classes– *Advent Event*

12- Regular classes - Music Sunday

19- Family Sunday – Christmas pageant 7pm (No Multi-age class)

27 - Family Sunday

January

2 - Regular classes

9 - Regular classes

23 – Regular classes - 5th Grade Bible Brush up, 8:45 am

16 - Regular classes – 5th Grade Bible Brush up, 8:45 am

30 - Regular classes - 5th Grade Bible Brush up, 8:45 am

February

6 - Regular classes

13 – Regular classes

20 -- Family Sunday –school vacation week

27 – Regular classes

March

6 -- Regular classes

13 -- Regular classes

20 -- Regular classes –High School Sunday

27 – Regular classes

April

3 – Regular classes

10 – Regular classes

17-- Family Sunday –school vacation week – Palm Sunday

24 - Family Sunday –Easter Sunday (No Multi-age class)

May

1-- Regular classes - Confirmation

8- Regular classes – Mothers Day

15 – No Sunday School – Labor for Your Neighbor

22 – Church School Sunday - Last Day of School

29 -- Summer Schedule Begins –Sunday Fellowship Program

June

19- Honduras Mission Trip Commissioning – Fathers Day



Curriculum - What We Teach

The Board of Christian Education has endorsed a program developed at All Souls called the *Life Long Learning Program*. A curriculum based on these elements has been in effect since 2001 for classes through Grade Eight. This program works to develop a strong knowledge about the Church, the Bible, and basic components of our community worship, including hymns and songs, prayers, and Bible stories.

Our students also learn about the history of our church, and of our faith. They may also be interviewing and videotaping senior members of our church to record their faith stories.

Our High School students start to apply their Bible teachings to real life teen-age and young adult situations, such as bullying, dating, responsibilities, etc.



Pre-school 3/4

Our Church, God made the World
Jesus, Respect, Love, Prayer
Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter



Pre-school 4/5

Creation -God Created Earth - *Genesis 1:1 - 2:4*
Garden of Eden - *Genesis 2:4 - 3:24*
Noah's Ark, Flood - *Genesis 6:5 - 7:24*
Rainbow/Covenant - *Genesis 8:1 - 9:17*
Moses -- The Burning Bush - *Exodus 3:1 - 20*
Jesus and the Children - *Mt 19:13-15 / Mk 10:13-16 / Lk 18:15-17*

Kindergarten

**Creation - God Created Earth - *Genesis 1:1 - 2:4*
Garden of Eden - *Genesis 2:4 - 3:24*
Joseph Saga - *Genesis 37:1-47:31*
Moses - The Baby Moses - *Exodus 2:1-10*
David - Relationship w/Jonathan - *1 Samuel 20:1-43*
Miracles, Feeding 5000 - *Mt 14:13-21 / Mk 6:30-44 / Lk 9:10-17*
Miracles, Paralyzed Man - *Mt 9:1-8 / Mk 2:1-12 / Lk 5:17-26*
**Jesus and the Children - *Mt 19:13-15 / Mk 10:13-16 / Lk 18:15-17*

Grade 1

**Noah's Ark, **Flood - *Genesis 6:5 - 7:24*
**Rainbow/Covenant - *Genesis 8:1 - 9:17*
David and Goliath - *1 Samuel 17:1-58*
Daniel and the Lion's Den - *Daniel 6:1-25*
Jonah - *Jonah 1:4-11*
Jesus in the Temple - *Luke 2:41-52*
Miracles, Walking on Water - *Mt 14:22-33 / Mk 6:45-52 / Jn 6:16-21*
Miracles, Calming the Storm - *Mk 4:35-41 / Lk 8:22-25 / Mt 8:23-27*
Miracle, Ten Lepers - *Lk 17:11-19*
Zacchaeus - *Lk 19:1-10*

Grade 2

**Joseph Saga - *Genesis 37:1-47:31*
**Moses, The Baby Moses - *Exodus 2:1-10*
Moses, Plagues - *Exodus 7:8 - 12:42*
Red Sea Crossing - *Exodus 14:5-31*
Samuel, God Calls Samuel - *1 Samuel 3:1 - 4:1*
Samuel Anoints Saul - *1 Samuel 9:10 - 10:8*
**David - Relationship w/Jonathan - *1 Samuel 20:1-43*
Calling the Disciples - *Lk 6:12-16 / Mk 3:13-19 / Mt 10:1-4*
**Miracles, Feeding 5000 - *Mt 14:13-21 / Mk 6:30-44 / Lk 9:10-17*
**Miracles, Paralyzed Man - *Mt 9:1-8 / Mk 2:1-12 / Lk 5:17-26*

Grade 3

Tower of Babel - *Genesis 11:1-9*
Jacob and Esau, Struggle between Brothers - *Genesis 25:19-34*
Jacob and Esau, The Birth Right won by Jacob - *Genesis 27:1-41*
Moses - 10 Commandments - *Exodus 19:9 - 20:21*
**Daniel and the Lion's Den - *Daniel 6:1-25*
**Jonah - *Jonah 1:4-11*
**Jesus in the Temple - *Luke 2:41-52*
**Miracles, Walking on Water - *Mt 14:22-33 / Mk 6:45-52 / Jn 6:16-21*
**Miracles, Calming the Storm - *Mk 4:35-41 / Lk 8:22-25 / Mt 8:23-27*
Miracles, Man w/ Withered Hand - *Mt 12:9-14 / Mk 3:1-6 / Lk 6:6-11*
Miracles, Blind Bartimaeus - *Mt 20:29-34 / Mk 10:46-52 / Lk 18:35-43*
**Miracles, Ten Lepers - *Lk 17:11-19*
Miracles, Lazarus - *John 11:1-44*
**Zacchaeus - *Lk 19:1-10*
Pentecost -- *Acts 2:1-13*

** introduced in a prior year

Grade 4

Joshua / Judges, Jericho - *Joshua 6:1-21*
Remembrance Stones, Choosing God - *Joshua 3:14 - 4:9*
Daniel - Three Men in the Fiery Furnace - *Daniel 3:1-30*
Jesus' Baptism & Temptation - *Mt 3:11-13, Mk 1:9-13, Lk 3:21-22, 4:1-13*
**Calling the Disciples - *Lk 6:12-16 / Mk 3:13-19 / Mt 10:1-4*
Parable, Lost Coin / Lost Sheep - *Lk 15:1-10*
Parable, Prodigal Son - *Lk 15:11-32*
Parable, Good Samaritan - *Lk 10:29-37*
Jesus' Teaching - Sermon on the Mount - *Mt 5-7*
**Pentecost -- *Acts 2:1-13*
23rd Psalm

Grade 5

Abraham / Sarah, Call to Follow God - *Genesis 12:1-9*
Abraham / Sarah, the Gift of Isaac - *Genesis 18:1-15 and 21:1-8*
**Moses - 10 Commandments - *Exodus 19:9 - 20:21*
The Prophet Elijah, Miracles - *1 Kings 17:7-24*
The Prophet Elijah, Battles on God's Behalf - *1 Kings 18:20-40*
Miracles - Jarius' Daughter - *Mt 9:18-26*
David - Anointing the Boy David - *1 Samuel 16:1-13*
Parables, Parable of the Sower - *Mt 13:1-9 / Mk 4:1-9 / Lk 8:4-8*
Parables, Unforgiving Servant - *Mt 18:23-35*
Parables, The Last Judgment - *Mt 25:31-46*
**Pentecost -- *Acts 2:1-13*

Grade 6

Creation - Cain and Abel - *Genesis 4:1-16*
Jacob and Esau, Jacob's Ladder - *Genesis 27:42 - 28:22*
Jacob and Esau, Wrestling with God - *Genesis 32:1 - 33:20*
Prophets, Jeremiah - *Jeremiah 1:4-10*
Daniel, The Hand Writing on the Wall - *Daniel 5*
Solomon, God's Special Gift to Solomon - *1 Kings 3:1-28*
Solomon's Temple - *1 Kings 6:1-14*
Stephen, The First Martyr - *Acts 6:8-15 and 7:51-60*
Conversion of Paul - *Acts 9:1-30*
**Pentecost -- *Acts 2:1-13*
Our Church History

Grade 7/8 Rotation Year A

Abraham/Sarah- Lot, Sodom, Gomorrah - *Genesis 18:16-33, 19:1-29*
Joshua/Judges, Samson and Delilah - *Judges 13 - 16*
Joshua/Judges, Deborah - *Judges 4 and 5*
Moses Escapes to Midian - *Exodus 2:11 - 25*
David, and Saul - *1 Samuel*
David, and Bathsheba - *2 Samuel 11:1-27*
David, and Absalom - *2 Samuel 13:1 - 19:8*
Prophets, Isaiah - *Isaiah 6, 9:1-7, 40:1-8*
Self Control - *James 3*
The Four Horseman - *Revelations 6*
**Pentecost -- *Acts 2:1-13*

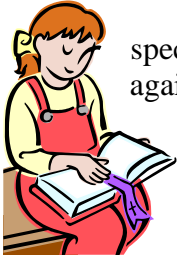
Grade 7/8 Rotation Year B

Abraham/ Sarah-Offering of Isaac - *Genesis 22:1-19*
Joshua/Judges, Gideon - *Judges 6 and 7*
Joshua/Judges, Ruth - *Ruth*
Moses, The Reluctant Servant - *Exodus 4:1-17*
Prophets, Job - *Job*
Paul's Letter to the Corinthians - Love - *1 Corinthians 13*
Who was Jesus? - *Philippians 2:5-11*
Faith - *Hebrews 11 and 12:1-4*
The New Heaven and Earth - *Revelations 21*
**Pentecost -- *Acts 2:1-13*



Teaching Outside the Classroom:

Kindergarten Blessing



On Sunday, September 19, we will be giving the kindergartners their first Bibles. It is a special time for the children and for us. This seems a very important time to acknowledge once again the great gift these children are to us all. There are critical times when publicly blessing these gifts of God is valuable for the child, the parent and the congregation. As our children begin their school career, we believe that this is one of these times.

Confirmation Class

Students entering their freshman year in High School have reached the age when it is possible for them to be confirmed. Through Confirmation, the church renews its commitment to the Christian growth and discipleship of our children. The 2011 Confirmation journey will begin on Sunday, September 26, at 11:30 a.m. with an organizational meeting for students, parents and mentors, to explain the goals, methods, and expectations of this year's Confirmation process.

A series of guided educational explorations has been prepared for each eligible student to study, with an adult "Mentor" who will develop a personal relationship with the teenager and will personally lead them through the various experiences of Confirmation. We believe that Confirmation represents one of the most important events in the journey of one's faith. We are confident that children will experience Confirmation as a time of growth, deeper commitment, and joy.

Through Confirmation, students will be able to explore personal faith, to develop a significant relationship with a person in our church who is deeply committed to Christ, to ask questions, and to develop a deeper sense of commitment to the church.

As Christian parent(s), in choosing to raise your child within the church, you are fulfilling your God-given responsibility. We hope that, through Confirmation, we can assist you as we work together to strengthen the faith and the commitment of these young disciples.

3rd Grade Race Through the Bible



All Souls Congregational Church traditionally presents Bibles to third graders. In Preparation, children and parents together learn about this great book before the gift from the church through a series of workshops we call "Race through the Bible".

These workshops, hosted by Mrs. Garrett and Mrs. Martinez, will help students get to know their new Bible; how to use their Bible and have a better understanding of what is in the Bible. Parents (or guardians) are included because they are the primary faith educator for their child. Faith education is a family practice, and we want this to be part of that parent-child effort.

These workshops will be held, before church, from 8:45 to 9:45am, on October 3, 10, and 17, and 24th. On October 31st, we will be presenting students with their new Bibles in our worship service. This will reaffirm to the student, parent and congregation that we recognize that this is an important step in the students' faith journey.

Life Long Learning Program

All Souls has established guidelines in Christian Education, called the Life Long Learning Program. The basic concepts of the Christian faith are incorporated into the church school curriculum. It is hope that as the youth progress through their Church School years, they will be exposed to as much of this information as possible in order to give them a solid foundation in their faith.

The Life-Long Learning program takes these guidelines a step further. A list of required material if worked through and mastery of the skills is awarded with medallions at each level. Examples from Level 1 are reciting the Lord's Prayer and singing the first verse of three hymns; Level 2 requires knowledge of 15 Bible stories and the Ten Commandments. This procedure is ongoing and is not expected to be accomplished within a set amount of time, but rather as each individual is ready to move on. Classes are occasionally offered to assist the students and help them focus on these goals, check the bulletin board outside of Mrs. Garrett's office for updates.



A sample of the Level 1 student form and parent guide is attached to this booklet. For more information, please contact Mrs. Garrett.

Youth and Family Programs

Choirs

Opportunities abound at All Souls for children and youth who want to "make a joyful noise to the Lord." Our youngest children, in grades Kindergarten through 3rd, enjoy singing with our **Youth Choir Director, Anne Small**, during church school classes. The **Youth Choir** meets after church from 11:15 to noon, beginning Sunday, September 19th. Youth in 2nd grade and older are encouraged to join, practice, and sing in church during worship services once a month. For more information on choirs for young people at All Souls, please feel free to contact **Anne Small** or leave your name at the church office.



Middle School Youth Group

Teens in the fifth through the eighth grades are invited to join the youth group organized for their grade level. This group will meet regularly throughout the year. Activities and times are posted outside Mrs. Garrett's office, and will be mailed to Middle School youth's homes. Youth Group leaders work with Mrs. Garrett and many enthusiastic adult volunteers.

ASSIST JC

All Souls Students in Service to Jesus Christ (or ASSIST JC), is about joining others of like spirit to work together to change the world for God's sake. The opportunity to serve our neighbors, whether close to home or in another culture, makes a profound impact on the lives of our young people and adults.

This youth mission program alternates from year to year between a local mission trip to Eastport, Maine, and a mission trip to Honduras. Students may join ASSIST JC during the eighth grade. They will take part in spiritual preparation with Mrs. Garrett, and will be trained during the year to do the kinds of construction and rehabilitation projects anticipated for the mission trips. Various fund raising efforts are held to help support these mission efforts.



Holy Week Passion Vigil

High School students may attend The Passion Vigil that begins on Maundy Thursday with a Seder meal, and continues through the evening on Good Friday. This experience seeks to deepen the students' relationship with God, and to understand the powerful gift of Easter. More details can be obtained from Mrs. Garrett.

High School Seniors Dinner and Recognition

Each year, Dr. Haddix and Mrs. Garrett invite graduating seniors to dinner for conversation and fellowship before the school year ends and graduation activities crank into gear. Graduating seniors will receive a letter of invitation for the dinner. There is also recognition of these students during a worship service in June.

Family Fellowship and Christian Education

Each Tuesday evening the Board of Christian Education offers programming for adults, youth and families at All Souls. Information on offerings for the current church year is available in the church office. Bible classes, the Alpha Course, Parenting classes, Reading Groups, Film Nights and Theological Reflection Classes have all been a part of the emphasis on adult learning. Movies, crafts, quiet study areas and supervised homework rooms are some of offerings available for students. Tuesday evening courses begin with a meal for the entire family before family members disperse into various classes or activities.

Adolescent Girls' Group

Growing up has many challenges, some especially unique to our girls. All Souls offers adolescent girls in High School and Middle School a growth and support group. Under the leadership of Dr. Carol Sherman, Pastoral Counselor and Rev. Renee Garrett, the girls determine the topics for discussion. While the groups are open to all girls, conversations are held in strict confidence.

Each participant must agree to this specific and critical ground rule in order to join. For a schedule of meetings or answers to questions, contact either Dr. Sherman at 942-2447 or Mrs. Garrett at 942-7354.



Scouting at All Souls

Scouting is seen as another form of youth ministry. Its outreach to the community is wide, with leaders and boys coming from diverse backgrounds. Cub Scout Pack 10 is open to all boys beginning with the first grade in our Tiger cub program and continuing on through Cub Scouting for grades two through five and Troop 10 Boy Scouting for the older boys. We hope that many members of our church family will choose to have their sons join the Scouting units sponsored by All Souls Church. For more information regarding meeting dates and times, please contact the church office at 942-7354.

Girl Scouts of America also has a Troop sponsored by All Souls. Girl Scout Troop ### meets weekly during the school year. Girls ages 5 to 12 are welcome. If you have any questions, please call Karen Dysart at 945-6338.

Church Family Sundays

During each Church School year there are several times when regular Church School classes are not held in order that children may join their parents for worship services. The Children's table in the back of the Meetinghouse will be supplied with extra, quiet activity materials.

Young children who may not have developed the patience to sit through an entire church service are welcome to leave the worship service at a certain point (listed in the worship bulletin) in order to participate in a special multi-age fellowship time, usually held in Room A. Parents are encouraged to escort young children to Room A and return to the worship service. As usual, Nursery for infants and toddlers is provided.

There are no separate classes for children during Christmas and Easter. We encourage families to worship together during these special times. The Nursery will be available for infants and toddlers.



Sign Me Up!

(Leave or send this note to the church office to the attention of the Board of Christian Education)

Sure. I'd like to help the Board of Christian Education at All Souls Church.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

e-mail: _____

I can help with:

___ Teaching (Grade preferred:_) (Term preferred: _)

___ Classroom Assistant (Grade preferred: ___)

___ Substitute teacher (Grade preferred: ___)

___ Family Sunday storytime reader or assistant

___ Teacher appreciation projects

___ Volunteering in the Nursery

___ Putting up bulletin boards of student work

___ Organizing book orders

___ Summer Sunday Fellowship Program monitor

___ Church School newsletter

___ Play director, Christmas and/or Easter

___ Advent event



Other interests?

ALL SOULS New Families CHURCH SCHOOL REGISTRATION 2010/2011

Family Last Name: _____

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Family E-mail Address: _____



Children:

Child's Name: _____	Birth Date: _____	Grade: _____
School: _____	Email address: _____	
Allergies, medical or behavioral issues: _____		

Child's Name: _____	Birth Date: _____	Grade: _____
School: _____	Email address: _____	
Allergies, medical or behavioral issues: _____		

Child's Name: _____	Birth Date: _____	Grade: _____
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School: _____	Email address: _____	
Allergies, medical or behavioral issues: _____		

Images of children are used in All Souls Church publications and/or on the All Souls Website. If you have any concerns about the use of your children's images, please call the Church Office at 942-7354.

Attachment:

Life Long Learning Program Level One Student Form and Parent Guide



All Souls Congregational Church
Christian Education
Life-Long Learning Program
Level One – Student Form

Student Name: _____

1. Students will be able to say the Lord's Prayer and where it comes from.

Date task completed _____ Adult initials _____

2. They will know the names of the three parts of the Bible and the names of the four Gospels.

Date task completed _____ Adult initials _____

3. They will know the name of their church and the names of their clergy.

Date task completed _____ Adult initials _____

4. They will know the meaning of Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost.

Date task completed _____ Adult initials _____

5. They will know the first verse from three hymns from the hymnal.

Date task completed _____ Adult initials _____

Date task completed _____ Adult initials _____

Date task completed _____ Adult initials _____

All Souls Congregational Church
Christian Education
Life-Long Learning Program
Level One – Parent Guide

1. Recite the Lord's Prayer and tell where it comes from

Our Father, who art in Heaven
Hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done
On earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the Kingdom and the power
And the glory forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is found in the Gospels according to:
Matthew 6:9-15 Luke 11:2-4



2. The names of the 3 parts of the Bible and the four Gospels

- The Old Testament
- The Apocrypha: written before the time of Christ (*called intertestamental books. Accepted as part of the Roman Catholic Scriptures, but not Protestant*)
- The New Testament
- Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

3. The name of their church and its clergy

All Souls Congregational Church, United Church of Christ.

The name, All Souls, was derived from the First Congregational Church and the Central Congregational Church. Both burned in the Bangor Fire of 1911. When the decision to rebuild came, the two churches merged. The new name tried to encompass both churches by indicating that it was for "all souls."

Dr. James L. Haddix, Minister

Rev. Renee U. Garrett, Minister of Christian Nurture

4. The meaning of Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost

Christmas is the celebration of the birth of Jesus.

Easter is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. It took place on the first day of the week—our Sunday—and we have worshipped on Sunday ever since as a continued reminder of that miracle.

Pentecost is 50 days after Easter. It is the remembrance of the gift of the Holy Spirit to the disciples when "tongues of fire" danced on their heads and they spoke in many different languages. This day is also dubbed the "birthday of the church."

5. Know the first verse of 3 hymns from the hymnal

With your child's help, select 3 hymns to focus upon. These may include "Gloria Patria," Hymn 513 and "The Doxology," Hymn 514. If your child is not able to sing the hymn by her/himself, plan to join your child on this particular test. At the least, we would expect the verses to be memorized and spoken, but it is easier to remember when a tune can help the memory.

