
Letter to Families

Dear Families,

Welcome to *Current: Seeking Justice Together!* For the next 13 weeks, your child will explore stories of justice from the Old and New Testament scriptures. Through story, song, prayer, and activities, they will discover and practice ways to name injustice, speak up and care for the vulnerable, and make things right when injustice or harm occurs.

Family activity suggestions are included here to help you continue sharing the story at home. Explore and practice loving God and living justly together.

Pray Together!

Children will engage in two spiritual practices over the quarter. First, they will practice praying with their imaginations. In connection with the story and theme, children will be invited to imagine the world that God desires—a peaceful world where everyone’s needs are met, where everyone is safe, loved, and treated justly. All that they see, hear, and feel in their imaginations will be their prayer to God.

Second, children will pray the Lord’s Prayer, adding a new phrase each week. They will also create actions for each phrase to help them remember the prayer with heart, mind, and body. Invite your child to teach you how to pray in these ways.

Play Together!

Children are excellent at spotting when things are unfair or unjust, but they can be equally good at spotting acts of kindness. Play I Spy together spotting acts of kindness, love, and justice as you go for a walk, play at the park, or even when watching a video. Noticing acts of kindness often leads us to act more kindly as well!

Eat Together!

One of the most powerful images of justice in the Bible is the banquet table where all are invited and welcomed warmly. Jesus often gathered for meals with friends and family, but he also welcomed those who were despised or pushed to the side. Consider how your family table can become a place of invitation and welcome. Who is already sitting there? Who could be?

Here are several ways to have fun making meals together with guests:

- Host a potluck where everyone brings a favorite dish to share.
- Make your own pizzas or ice cream sundaes with everyone contributing toppings.
- Community soup! Invite everyone to bring one tin of vegetables to your meal. Have the broth ready to go. Then simply add each can as people arrive.
- Fruit kabobs! Together, place different kinds of fruit on wooden skewers. Delight in the variety and beauty of the fruit.

May God bless you and your family as you grow in faith together!

