



# Cathedral Kids Messenger

September 2006

*Welcome Back to Sunday School!*

A new year of Sunday School kicks off September 10, 2006. Everyone will begin in church for the commissioning of the Sunday School teachers, and then the kids will follow their teachers to their classrooms. Parents are encouraged to go with their youngest children on this first day.



Starting September 17, Godly Play starts at 10:15 AM. Parents can take their kids to their classroom. Kids will listen to their teacher tell a story, and then the class will think about what they've heard using words, artwork, play...whatever feels right.

Parents sometimes wonder what they can do at home to support Godly Play. Tell stories! Have your mom or dad tell their favorite story from the Bible. Maybe you can find out what story your Godly Play teacher is telling next Sunday (usually posted by your classroom) and read the story together at home. You could also ask your Sunday School teacher for more ideas about storytelling at home.

Kids will have Godly Play starting at age three and then continuing through third grade. This year the combined fourth and fifth grade class will also hear a Godly Play story once a month. For more information about Godly Play in general, visit [www.godlyplay.org](http://www.godlyplay.org)

*Save the date!*

There is a Godly Play orientation for all new parents on FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 at 7 PM. Please RSVP to Margie Brown at 410-750-9014 or [kbrowndc@aol.com](mailto:kbrowndc@aol.com) so that we will have enough materials and child minders.

## Stewardship for Kids

What is stewardship? Stewardship is showing gratitude – thankfulness – to God for all that He has given us by taking good care of those gifts and using them wisely. We are often filled with gratitude when we remember all the gifts that God has blessed us with. Make a list with your family about what you are grateful for and post it on the refrigerator. Add to it often! Once you start making such a list, you may find that it is endless. There are so many things to be grateful for! Here is a poem that might help you remember some of those things. Can you think of others?

God made the sun  
And God made the tree,  
God made the mountains,  
And God made me.

I thank you, O God,  
For the sun and the tree,  
For making the mountains  
And for making me.

## Outreach for Every Family

You can collect school supplies and uniform clothing for our partner school, Abbottston Elementary. Anything that you use for school, kids at Abbottston can use, too! The Cathedral collects needed items all year long. Email [outreach@thecathedral.ang-md.org](mailto:outreach@thecathedral.ang-md.org) to find out what is most needed. What about the school you go to? Chances are your school can always use needed items like school supplies, cleaning supplies, gently used books. Call the office and ask! Share what you have!



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