

# Religious Education

## Find the Silver Lining

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### MEET THE 3RD AND 4TH GRADERS!

Thank you Alyce!

Hello and welcome to the 3rd and 4th grade classroom. We need to acknowledge the impact Coronavirus is having on our classroom traditions this year. I think our 4th GR (last year 3rd Gr) students were quick to pick-up on how we are unable to gather close around the prayer table, on our knee's to begin and end our class time. So, we adapt, like in most times of difficulty, in order to keep our prayer heritage, while we offer up the difficulties the pandemic offers us all in many, many ways.

Our class text book is entitled "Finding God", Our Response to God's Gifts. Our first

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WELCOME

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Graders

Alyce Hafer

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OCTOBER ALREADY?!

How can you prepare your day to start with God?

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session focused on how God intends His creation for happiness. He “first created light, the sky, the oceans, the land and everything else that is living”. He created the human family after all this, and he forethought about all the things we would need like seeds to plant, warmth of the sun, the love of one another. But most of all, he wants us to love Him and each other in and thorough all these things he gives us. We can recognize God. Or, as I always like to point out to people “that’s God in your life”. The first words of the Apostles Creed are “I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth”.

I looked out over my little mighty class with their masks in place. I asked, “How are things in your schools with wearing masks”. A quick answer from one student, “We go outside and take masks breaks”. Hummmm?!! I grab the snacks, we head out to the church picnic tables. Distancing, we take off our masks, breath in the fresh fall air, feel the warm sun on our faces and see the beautiful trees all around us. We divvy up the snacks and I CAN SEE their smiles. Do you see God I ask??

## October Already!?

### Where is God in all the craziness?

October is an absolutely beautiful month. The changing colors of the leaves, the cool morning sunrises.... it sets the stage to marvel and think and pray on what God wants you to do. I love to spend these mornings on my front porch. I have a swing out there and, since I live in Saybrook, I have a HUGE yard across the street from me so I can look out and all I see is grass and a tree line. Sometimes- I even catch a herd of deer out there!! There is a church down the street and every hour the church bells ring beautiful music. Behind my yard is a pasture full of cows, so every once in a while you can hear them walking up to the fence and mooing. I bring my phone, a few books and my coffee out to the porch every morning before my family wakes up. I have usually exercised and gotten ready for the day by this time (yes, I get up pretty early)! I read through the daily readings on my phone that



come in daily through email. Then I read about that day’s Saint of the Day and I read one chapter or story in an inspirational book like A Cup of Comfort for Women. If I am doing a bible study I also do that on my front porch while the sun comes up! How you can you prepare your day with God?

## “What will you do today to feel closer to God?”

### Turkey Dinner is Coming!

November 8<sup>th</sup>:

11am-1pm

Carry-out Only

Help Needed!



This year is a little different with RE class as it most likely is with everything else you are going through right now. We will all work together though and help each other out as much as possible and we will get through all of this. If you have any questions or problems please feel free to call, email, or text me. I will keep everyone up to date on any changes we need to make throughout the year as well.

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