

# LENT 2022

## GRACE FAMILY LENT NEWSLETTER

### JESUS SHOWED US

Last week we learned about who lives on the margins through the Good Samaritan story. This Bible story showed us that Jesus calls us to not only see those who live on the margins but also help those who are on the margins.

Jesus shows us through the way he lived his life. This week, as a family, you'll explore how Jesus showed us to treat and love those on the margins. Jesus' life is our example of how we treat **everyone**, not just people you like



### ZACCHAEUS - BIBLE STUDY

This week, your family will dive into *Zacchaeus* Bible story!  
Open your Bibles and read Luke 19:1-10

Discussion Questions:

- What was Zacchaeus's job?
- Was Zacchaeus considered an outcast? Did he live on the margins? Did people like him?
- Why do you think Jesus went and had dinner with Zacchaeus at his house?
- What does Jesus show us about treating those on the margins from the way he treated Zacchaeus?
- What other instances in Jesus's life did he interact and love those on the margins? Look it up and explore your Bible with your family to find other examples from the way Jesus lived his life!

### ON THE MARGINS - LOCALLY

We are learning about those who are on the margins this Lent season. I pray you have already learned a lot!  
Let's learn a little more!

This week, explore local organizations that help those on live on the margins.  
Click on and learn about the organizations.  
Where are they, who do they help, and how can you get involved?  
What organizations are not on this list that help those who live on the margins?

Ministries at Main Street - <http://ministriesatmainstreet.org/>

Bread Drop - <https://www.facebook.com/BreadDrop/>

Julia's Grace Foundation - <https://www.juliasgracefoundation.org/>

National Alliance on Mental Health - <https://www.nami.org/Home>

Open Door Ministry - <http://www.opendoorministry.info/>

## SERVICE PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES

*Bread Drop works with community food programs by helping provide food. We are helping build snack bags!*

Directions: In a sandwich-sized Ziploc bag pack 5 total items (listed below) (mix of sweet and savory).

### Items that can be packed

Sweet items: fruit snacks, mini-chocolates, raisins, chewy granola bars, cookies;

Savory items: 1 oz bag of potato chips, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, mini slim jims.

Please follow the directions for items to pack, amount to pack, and all in a sandwich size ziploc.

Drop-off by Sundays 11:30am at Grace Lutheran Church to Kelsey or to the church office!

*"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you invited me in"*  
- Matthew 25:35

During the Sundays in Lent, Grace will be collecting items for the Welcome Church in Philadelphia. The Welcome Church is "a church with no walls" and attracts people of all walks of life, especially the homeless. Kelsey Tomlinson and crew will be helping at the Welcome Church in May.

### Here are the items we are collecting:

1. Sandwich size Ziploc bags
2. Water bottles
3. Juice boxes
4. Capri Suns
5. Snack-size items, individually wrapped:
  - a. Fruit Snacks
  - b. Mini chocolates (i.e., Hershey)
  - c. Raisins
  - d. Chewy granola bars
  - e. Cookies (i.e., Oreos, Chips Ahoy)
  - f. Potato chips (1 oz.)
  - g. Peanut butter crackers / cheese crackers
  - h. Mini Slim Jims

***Please place your donations on the table in the 6th Avenue foyer!***