

Welcome to Families on Faith Adventures @ Home!

These adventures are brought to you by the Youth Work team and the synod CYDOs and their equivalents.

We hope you will enjoy sharing a time of faith and fellowship together as a family through these stories, games, activities, and prayers. We encourage you to share what it means to you and express that in words and action. They are not linked to the lectionary but can be used in any order as we explore all the different parts of the Bible.





Get to know your Bible

The Bible is like a library made up of 66 books written by many different people over many years.

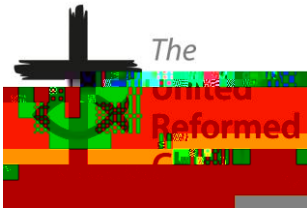
The Old Testament books were written before Jesus was born. They are the holy stories he would have grown up hearing and reading. There are 39 of these.

The New Testament tells us the stories of Jesus and his followers. There are 27 books in the New Testament.

*Can you find
and colour the
book on the
bookshelf that
story is from?*

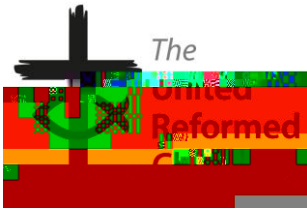
*If you have a
Bible, see if
you can find
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Ideas to Retell/Explore the Story

Here is a new story to help you think about the "olive tree" described in the Bible story as a beautiful tree, full of flowers and fruit, offering protection and unexpected blessings. The character in this story is also returning home, to the tree where she lives. You may wish to read this story using the power point on YouTube <https://youtu.be/JrPfq46d5nM>

Coming Home



Table Top Discussions

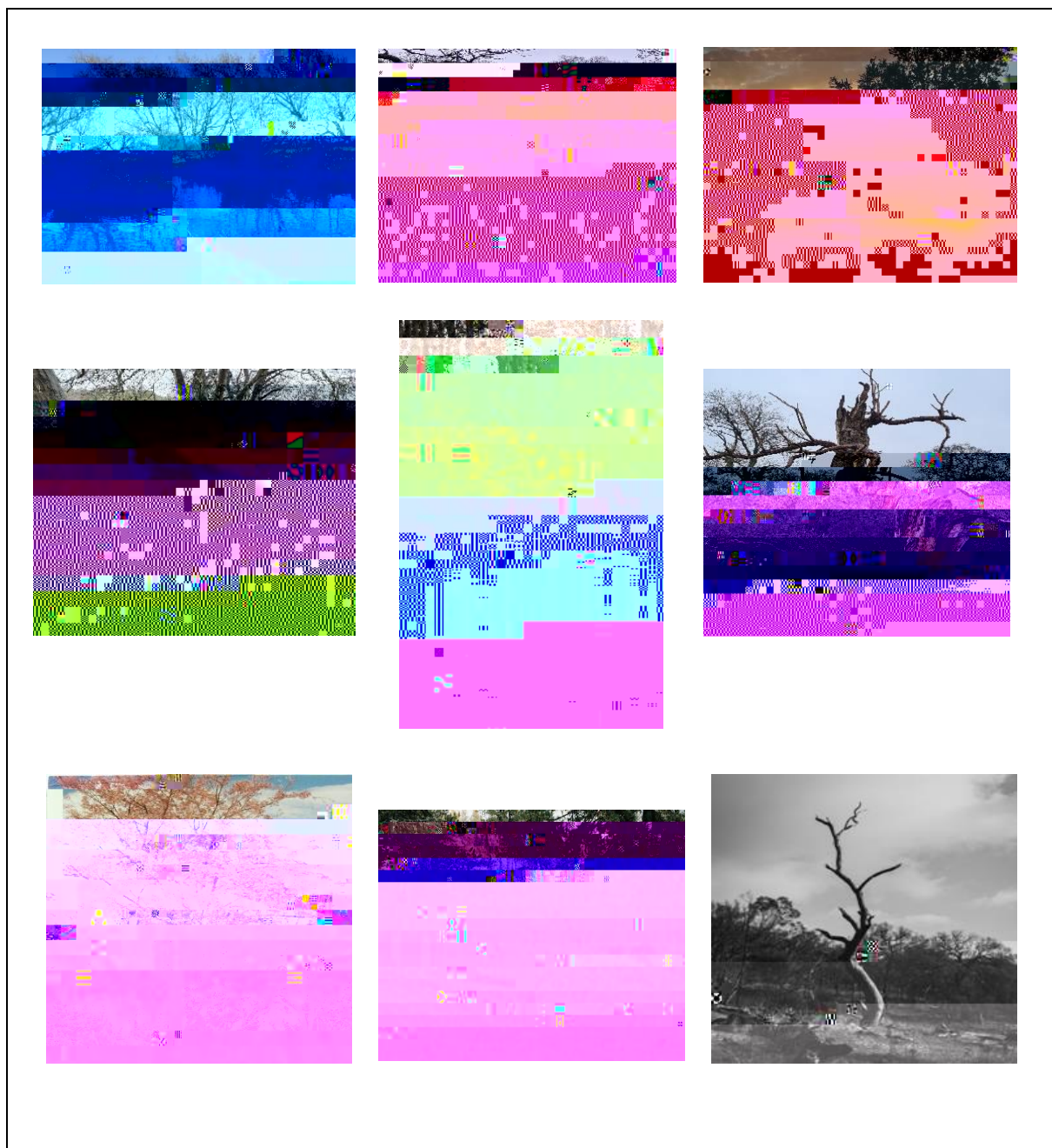
Sit together as a family, and use these questions

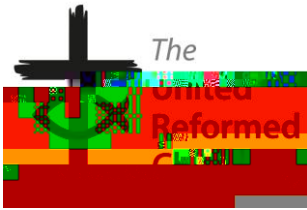
- *Have you ever had a warning from someone, to tell you that you were wrong and needed to put it right? Share your stories together.*
- *How easy is it to say sorry? What makes it tough?*
- *What feelings are connected to saying sorry and being forgiven?*
- *I wonder if there is anything you think is too big to say sorry for?*
- *What do you think is the most important thing to say when you say sorry?*

Pray Together

Which Tree Are You?

Which tree do you feel like today? Look at the pictures of trees below and pick which tree you feel most like today. Perhaps it is the tree with falling leaves, the dead tree, or the tree full of blossom? Chat with God about why you chose that tree. If you wish to, share the reason with your family.



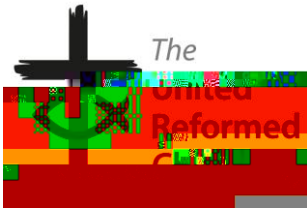


Pray Together

Fragrance Prayers

@ Hosea 14:5-7
I will love them freely.
I am not angry with them anymore.
I will be like the dew to Israel. It will blossom like a lily.
Like the cedar trees in Lebanon, its roots will be firm.
They will be like the sweet- *olive* *tree.*

What fragrances make you feel happy;



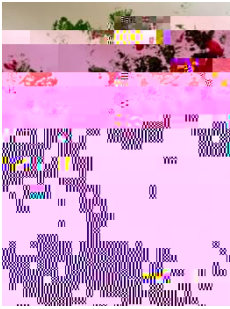
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Restoring Leaves Prayers

*You will need: Dried leaves
 Hand cream*

Hold the dried leaves in your hand feel how brittle and fragile they are. That is like us sometimes when we are

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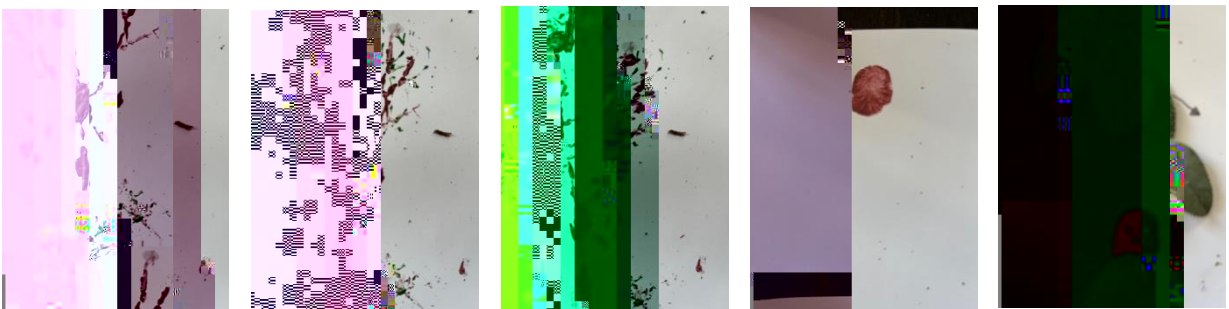
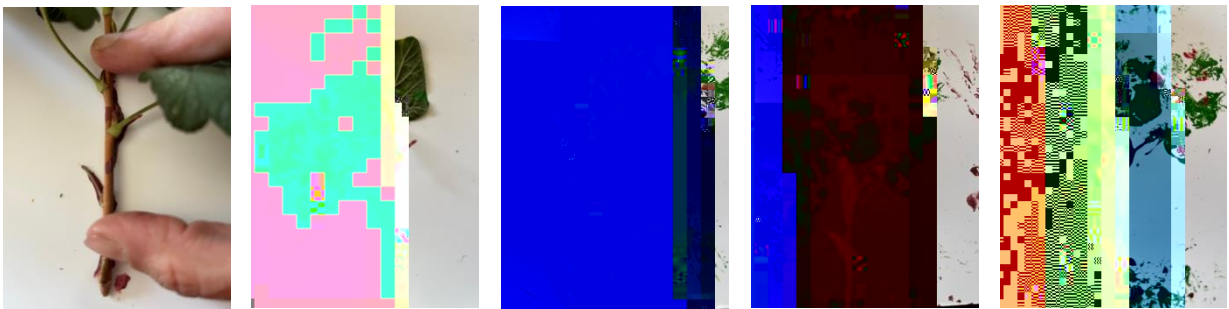
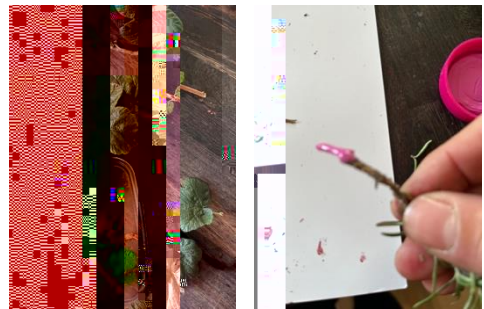
Nature Art

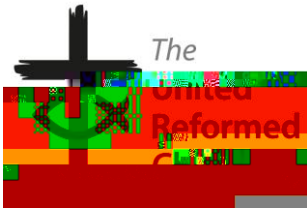
You will need: Leaves, twigs, flowers, and seeds
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What you do:

Be creative with things from nature. We can make amazing images from the things we find in nature. Maybe create a picture by painting with twigs and leaves, using a fingerprint to create some figures, or simply print, using things you find.

Celebrate the beauty of nature as you do it and thank God for the wonders of creation.





*Our Walking the Way
Challenge this time is*

