

Ark Federation Act of Worship Programme Autumn Term 2018

Key Themes:

Truthfulness (Autumn 1st)

Christians believe that truth is revealed in the Bible and supremely in the person and life of Jesus Christ. Through Jesus' teaching we are given an insight into the nature of God and the way in which He means us to live.

We aim to encourage the children to be truthful and honest with themselves and others. We aim to support the children in making informed moral choices and help them to understand that life is about a search for truth and meaning.

(Bible references – Genesis 18, Exodus 2-4, 32 & 34, Psalm 119 & 139, Kings 3, 12, 17, 19 & 21, Luke 6, 8 & 20, John 3, Matthew 5, 7 & 13)

W/C	Key Questions	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
03/09/18	Welcome Back		Welcome Back	Clergy	Hymn Practice – Thankfulness	Celebration
10/09/18	 <p>Is it easy to remain truthful when we know we've done wrong?</p>	Values for Life 2; 'A Sad Day' (Lion Storyteller Bible) Adam & Eve	Key Stage; Class Rules – make links to Bible story from yesterday. Consequences of actions linked to values. (Values for Life 2 KS Development)	Clergy	Hymn Practice – Harvest (Thanking God for all the good gifts He has given us)	Celebration
17/09/18	 <p>What does it mean to be true to our beliefs?</p>	Values for Life 3; The Story of Saint Lucy Part 1	Values for Life 3; The Story of Saint Lucy Part 2	Clergy	Hymn Practice – Harvest (Thanking God for all the good gifts He has given us)	Celebration

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24/09/18	 Can telling the truth sometimes be difficult? 2 Samuel 12	Nathan tells David what he has done to anger God (can telling the truth sometimes be difficult part 1)	Nathan tells David what he has done to anger God (can telling the truth sometimes be difficult part 2)	Clergy	Hymn Practice – Harvest (Thanking God for all the good gifts He has given us)	Celebration
01/10/18	 Harvest – What do Christians believe about God as provider?	What do Christians believe about God as provider day 1	What do Christians believe about God as provider day 2	Clergy	Harvest Festival in Church	Celebration
08/10/18	 What should you do if telling the truth will upset someone else?	Ephesians 4:15 Always speak the truth but be kind and gracious.	Explore ways to be kind and gracious when speaking the truth & possibly proverb 10:19	Clergy	Child -Led AoW	Celebration
15/10/18	 What does Jesus teach us about truthfulness?	What can we learn from the behaviours and actions of Jesus?	What can we learn from the behaviours and actions of Jesus?	Clergy	Hymn Practice – Thankfulness	Celebration

8/10/18 [Ephesians 4:15](#), - we must speak the truth *in love*. We must be kind and gracious when we speak the truth. We need to phrase the truth in a way that is least offensive and most sensitive to the other person's feelings. We need to apply the golden rule: how would I want someone else to tell me this truth? I must speak it in the same manner.

Also, being truthful does not mean that we need to reveal everything we know about a matter. God does not do that with us. If you need to keep a confidence or if you think that making the truth known would be damaging, you may simply reply, "I'm not free to talk about that matter." Being truthful does not require sharing your thoughts on everything. If being silent would imply agreement when you disagree, you may need to clarify things. But, sometimes wisdom requires keeping your thoughts to yourself ([Prov. 10:19](#)).

Fables to illustrate truthfulness: The Cockerel and the Fox, The Wolf & the Shepherd's Son, The Boy who Cried Wolf.

Further stories for children include: Lettice and the Dancing Rabbit, The Little Prince, Albert's Impossible Toothache.