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FIFTH WEEK OF EPIPHANY The color for the Fifth Week of Epiphany is green.



What to listen for during the service?

Listen to God's Word during the service. How many times do we hear or speak God's words during the service? There are a lot of them, maybe more than you realize.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:24-30

(The Gospel Reading is from the part of the Bible that is about Jesus and his ministry.)

24 He put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, 25 but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. 26 So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. 27 And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' 28 He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' 29 But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. 30 Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Questions to talk about with your parents:

- 1) What happens when you plant a good seed?
- 2) God's Word is like a seed that is planted in us and then grows. Who plants good seed in us?
- 3) Are weeds good or bad? Can they grow along with the good seed? What happens to the roots of the good seed if you pull too many weeds around them?
- 4) In every church there are people with true faith (good seed) and those who don't really have faith (weeds). What would happen if we tried to figure out who was who right now? Would it be bad for the good seed?
- 5) Who is the only one who can determine the good seed from the weeds? What does God give us to continue to make our good seed grow?

People of the Bible: Lot

Lot was the nephew of Abraham (whom we learn about on the fifth Sunday in Lent). We learn about Lot in the Book of Genesis (Chapters 11-14 & 19). Lot traveled with Abraham from Ur to Egypt and then to Canaan to follow God's command. In Canaan Abraham and Lot had to separate because their flocks were becoming too large so Lot chose to go to the southeast near the city of Sodom and Gomorrah where the land was green and there was lots of water. Sodom and Gomorrah was a city full of evil and sin though, and God planned to destroy the city. Abraham pleaded with God to spare the city. Angels appeared to Lot and his family because they believed in God, and warned them that the city would be destroyed. The angels told them to leave the city and not to look back. As they left though, Lot's wife looked back and became a pillar of salt but Lot escaped with his daughters. Lot did many things that were not pleasing to God, but he trusted in God and God still had mercy on Lot.

Draw a picture of Lot and his family fleeing Sodom and Gomorrah

