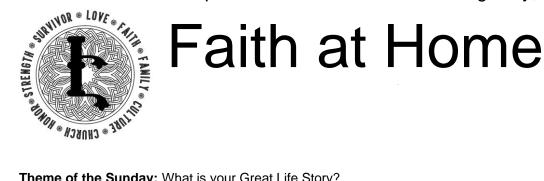
When children and parents have faith discussions regularly, faith multiplies.



Theme of the Sunday: What is your Great Life Story?

Verse of the Sunday: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." Gospel of John 1:1-5

Message/Moral of the day: This year, we focus on how everything that the kids learn at Sunday school is helping them to write their Great Life Story! Everything that we are teaching here at Sunday school is designed to help your child make good choices each and every day. When we allow God to guide us in the decisions we make during our day, we have the best chance of having a Great Life Story.

We are Christians! That means we believe in Jesus Christ. We do our best every day to live by the teachings of Jesus and the beliefs of our Armenian Church. Sometimes it's hard to do the right thing, especially in difficult situations. But if we are going to write our Life Stories and we want our story to be GREAT, then it's important that we remember to always let God guide our decisions, choices, and basically our lives!

Faith at Home:

- Talk with your child/ren about choices and how they can impact our lives. Talk about good choices, bad choices, consequences.
- Discuss how important it is for you and your children to always let God guide your decisions, choices, and basically your lives!
- Share stories how God guided you in your Great Live Story.
- Do something good today, for yourself and someone else.

Prayer & Worship: Heavenly Father, I ask you to strengthen my mind, body and spirit today. When I'm weary, may I be refreshed. When I'm worn, may I be renewed. When I'm broken, may I be restored. When I'm fearful, may I become faithful. I pray that I walk in complete confidence today knowing that the Lord Almighty is with me. Amen.

<u>Liturgical Calendar</u>: Feasts of the Cross

As the Church enters a period of time celebrating the Holy Cross, as an instrument of salvation, here is some introductory information before the upcoming feasts.

In the Christian liturgical calendar, there are several different Feasts of the Cross, all of which commemorate the cross used in the crucifixion of Jesus. While Good Friday is dedicated to the Passion of Christ and the Crucifixion, these days celebrate the cross itself, as the instrument of salvation. The most common day of commemoration is September 14/15 in Eastern Orthodoxy and Roman Catholicism, called the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.