

The Emmaus Federation Cycle of Collective Worship

Academic Year 2021/2022: Autumn Term

Collective Worship Timetable	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6 September 2021	Open the Book 9:00 – 9:20 Sutterton 2:40 – 3:00 Swineshead	Hymn Practice 8:50 – 9:05 Sutterton led by Z Williams 2:45 – 3:00 Swineshead led by P Gilbert	Class Worship and Reflection Times arranged by the Class teacher	Father Charlie's Collective Worship 9:00 – 9:20 Sutterton 2:40 – 3:00 Swineshead	Celebration Assembly 9:00 – 9:30 Sutterton 2:30 – 3:00 Swineshead
Week Beginning (colour is for that Sunday in church)	Reading(s) (Taken from the Lectionary for the Sunday of that week)	Theme (taken from our school values - the current SIAMS framework has a greater focus on theology.)	Suggestions for act of C/W	Suggested hymn or song (Think about the words, can they be sung with integrity?)	Enquiry Questions
6 September 2021	Romans 13:8-14 Paul reminds the Christians in Rome to love others as you love yourself. Matthew 18:15-20 Here Jesus gives practical advice in how to settle a disagreement.	Forgiveness: Exploring the choices that there are in lovingly resolving disagreements	Google Desmond Tutu – Truth and Reconciliation	I've got peace like a river. School Rules Song (Out of the Ark)	Have you ever fallen out with a friend? How did you restore your friendship? Challenge: Can you make some first steps in healing a broken friendship?
13 September	Romans 14:1-12 Paul tells the Christians in Rome not to judge others. Matthew 18:21-35 Jesus tells a parable in response to the question about how many times should we forgive someone.	Forgiveness: Knowing God has forgiven us motivates us to forgive others	Corrymeela- Northern Ireland	Make me a channel of your peace. Autumn Days	How have you felt when you forgave/didn't forgive someone?
20 September	Philippians 1:21-30 Paul wrote to the Christians in Philippi from prison, he was facing death, but still had hope in God, whatever the future brought and embraced all God had for him. Matthew 20:1-16	Compassion: Keeping going when it is difficult: Rejoicing in the joys and challenges of following Jesus	The example of William Kamkwamba – The boy who harnessed the wind (Google search William Kamkwamba faith)	The Lord's my shepherd. Conkers (Out of the Ark music)	Have you ever worked hard at overcoming a challenge? What did you do? How did it feel when you succeeded?

	<p>Jesus' parable gives insight into the values of the Kingdom. Everyone is welcome no matter how young, old, or close to death. It's not to do with how long you've been in service.</p>		<p>The example of Dr Charles Drew, Christian medical researcher who overcame prejudice and made ground-breaking discoveries in the storage and processing of blood for transfusions and managed two of the largest blood banks during WWII.</p>		
<p>27 September</p>	<p>Philippians 2:1-13 The Christians in Philippi are divided, and Paul wants them to humbly serve each other to bring unity. He reminds them of Jesus' example, in coming as a servant. Matthew 21:23-32 Jesus' authority is questioned by the religious leaders. He tells a parable about two sons, neither do what they say. However, one son eventually does the right thing.</p>	<p>Compassion: Humbly serving one another, looking to Jesus' example</p>	<p>Example of Mother Theresa/Jackie Pullinger/Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale</p>	<p>Count your blessings (Out of the Ark) Harvest Samba (Out of the Ark)</p>	<p>Have you ever struggled to do the right thing? When was the last time you put someone before yourself? What did you do? Challenge: Do a random act of kindness this week.</p>
<p>4 October</p>	<p>Isaiah 5:1-7 The prophet Isaiah lived about 700 years before the birth of Jesus. The vineyard was symbolic of the nation of Israel, but they had not followed God's commands. Isaiah warns them that although God loves them judgement is coming. (They were later taken into exile in Babylon.) Matthew 21:33-46 Jesus tells a parable; he also uses the symbolism of the nation of Israel as a vineyard. The tenants are the religious leaders who have not acted as God (the vineyard</p>	<p>Respect: Recognising there are consequences to our actions. Living as God wants his people to live.</p>	<p>Think about choices, God has given free will, explore what that means in how we live, spend time and money.</p>	<p>Sometimes I wonder (Out of Ark) Our Lighthouse</p>	<p>Have you ever helped someone in need? What did you do?</p>







	owner) required, the servants are the prophets and the owner's son is Jesus.				
11 October	<p>Philippians 4:1-9 Paul reminds the Christians in Philippi to be faithful; work for unity; rejoice in what God is doing; have the right attitudes towards each other and focus on wholesome things.</p> <p>Matthew 22:1-14 Jesus told this parable. God's people automatically expected to God's banquet but chose to ignore the invitation. The guests who were then invited wouldn't have expected to get in. However, there is a warning in the one guest who is ejected, he has not responded in the right way.</p>	<p>Respect: Having the right attitude. Living a life that pleases God.</p>	<p>Examples of Christians working together for others: Salvation Army/ Street Pastors</p>	<p>Shine Jesus Shine Give thanks with grateful heart</p>	<p>Challenge: Can you think of something to be thankful for every day for a week? Are some days easier than others? Why/why not?</p>
18 October	<p>1Thessalonians 1:1-10 Paul wrote to the Christians in Thessalonica and thanked God for their work motivated by love and their endurance in difficult circumstances inspired by their hope in Jesus.</p> <p>Matthew 22:15-22 The religious leaders ask Jesus a question about paying taxes. They hoped that his answer would get him in trouble, if he said that taxes should be paid, he would anger the religious leaders, if he said not to pay taxes, he would be in danger of Roman action. Following Jesus may bring challenges. Christians have ultimate responsibility to God</p>	<p>Inclusion: Doing the right thing can be hard and unpopular. Serving God can be difficult.</p> <p>St Luke the Evangelist's Feast Day (18 October)</p>	<p>The persecuted church (Open Doors is a charity supporting persecuted Christians, see their website for stories, https://www.opendoorsuk.org/news/latest-news/)</p>	<p>Our God is Great Big God Today (Out of the Ark)</p>	<p>Have you ever been unfairly told off for doing the right thing?</p>

	but should also live as responsible members of society.				
1 November	<p>1 John 3:1-3 Jesus' followers are imperfect people, but a time is coming when they will become more like Jesus.</p> <p>Matthew 5:1-12 Jesus teaching here is known as the Beatitudes. Jesus teaches about those who are blessed. God is with those who suffer and struggle, who have nothing, are oppressed and persecuted.</p>	<p>All Saints' Day (1 Nov) All Soul's Day (2 Nov)</p> <p>Although we may think of saints as holy people who are recognised by the church, the Bible also refers to anyone who is a follower of Jesus as a saint.</p>	Look at St Mary (Virgin Mary) patron saint of all humanity.	What a friend we have in Jesus (Out of the Ark) He'll be there (Out of the Ark music)	Who inspires you? What is it about them that you admire? Challenge: Encourage someone, tell them what good qualities about their character you admire.
8 November	<p>1 Thesalonians 4:13-18 Paul encouraged the Christians in Thessalonica who are concerned about what will happen to those who have died before Jesus' return. They have nothing to worry about.</p> <p>Matthew 25:1-13 Jesus tells a parable. Nobody knows the time that Jesus will return, his followers are to remain alert and keep doing good.</p>	<p>Inclusion: Remembrance Sunday Being prepared – living to tackle injustice/ Preparing for the return of Jesus</p>	Remembering those who have died in or as a result of conflict.	Give me oil in my lamp. We will remember (Out of the Ark)	What injustices do you see in the world? How could you be pro-active in making a change?
15 November	<p>Psalms 90:1-8, 12 The writer of this Psalm encourages the reader to have a right view of their life and live as God wants, being wise each day.</p> <p>Matthew 25:14-30 The key to this parable is to be faithful with what God has given, the parable warns that those who do nothing will find themselves with nothing.</p>	<p>Inclusion: Everyone has talents to share with others Using what God has given to us faithfully, not just for ourselves but for God and others.</p>	<p>The example of Katherine G. Johnson who used her skills in mathematics working for NASA to get the first men to the moon. https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/real-life-hidden-figures-mathematician-longtime-presbyterian/</p> <p>The example of John Laing, using his talents in</p>	Count your blessings (Out of the Ark) This day (Out of the Ark)	What talents do you have? How could you use them to help others? Challenge: Encourage someone, help them to see the talents God has given them.

			<p>construction for God http://request.org.uk/people/significant-people/a-real-hero-sir-john-laing/</p> <p>The example of Emily Finch who used her savings to buy a bus: https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-action/faith-action-videos/buying-bus-instead-house</p>		
22 November	<p>Ephesians 1:15-23 Paul writes to the Christians in Ephesus. He commends them on their love for each other.</p> <p>Matthew 25:31-46 Faith in God leads to loving action, serving others and seeing Jesus in others.</p>	<p>Love: The importance of loving others, looking to Jesus' example</p>	<p>Example of Dame Cecily Saunders, founder of the hospice movement or Rev Chad Varah, founder of the Samaritans.</p>	<p>When I needed a neighbour. Love the Lord your God (Out of the Ark)</p>	<p>What could you do this week to show someone that you care about them?</p>
29 November	<p>Mark 13:32-37 (Jesus tells his followers that they don't know when he will return but they should be ready and alert).</p> <p>1 Corinthians 1:3-9 (Paul is writing to the Christians in Corinth and his followers today to remind them of the range of benefits they enjoy from knowing Jesus).</p>	<p>Start of Advent. Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas. It is a time to remember the first coming of Jesus, when he was born as a baby in Bethlehem and to look forward to his second coming when everyone will recognise him and all injustice, sadness and suffering will cease. Christians today live in the time between his first and second coming, but he has left with gifts to celebrate; grace, peace, knowledge of God, fellowship with Him</p>	<p>Children are already thinking about presents so you could build on this with the 'presents' of grace, peace, knowledge, fellowship and the gifts of the Holy Spirit, as mentioned in the passage from 1 Corinthians.</p>	<p>Christmas Carols/nativity songs</p>	<p>What are you looking forwards to? Why do Christians look forwards to celebrating the birth of Jesus?</p>

		<p>and each other and gifts from the Holy Spirit.</p> <p>(Muslims also believe that Jesus will return before the Day of Judgement)</p>			
6 December	<p>Isaiah 40:1-11 Isaiah prophesied 500+ years before the birth of Jesus. It was a dark period of history for the Jewish people, many were in exile in Babylon, but Isaiah brings them a message of hope.</p> <p>Mark 1:1-8 John the Baptist was seen as a fulfilment of the prophecy in Isaiah. He was the forerunner, proclaiming the coming Messiah and deliverer, Jesus.</p>	<p>Hope God promises hope</p> <p>Christian hope is not wishful thinking, there is certainty because of faith in who God is and what he has done.</p>	<p>Example of Wangari Maathai, how her faith inspired her to encourage others to care for creation, work for environmental justice and those things that make for peace. She was the first African woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize.</p>	<p>Christmas Carols/nativity songs</p>	<p>Who do you know who is going through a tough time? What could you do to encourage or help them? Could you pray for them?</p>
13 December	<p>Isaiah 61:1-4,8-11 The prophet Isaiah looks forward to a day of joy when sadness is replaced with rejoicing because of all that God has done.</p> <p>John 1:6-8, 19-28 The Jewish people had eagerly awaited a messiah. John the Baptist's ministry was to point towards Jesus, who was the light and source of joy to all who accepted him.</p>	<p>John the Baptist points to Jesus, the light of the world. Bringing justice to our world.</p>	<p>Example of Martin Luther King how his faith inspired him to hope for a time when racial injustice would cease.</p>	<p>Christmas Carols/nativity songs</p>	<p>What would your ideal world look like? What could you do this week to help make a difference?</p>

The Church Year starts at Advent. In church different colours represent different seasons.

Purple: Penance and Preparation	Red: Sacrifice, the Holy Spirit	Green: Hope, Life and Growth	Gold: Joy and Celebration	White: Purity	No colour: Desolation
					
<p>Purple is used for times of deep thinking and reflection. It is also sometimes used at adult funerals.</p>	<p>Red is used for saints' days who have died as martyrs and also represents the flame of the Holy Spirit.</p>	<p>Green is used to represent quiet growth during the time between festivals and seasons.</p>	<p>Gold used for special occasions.</p>	<p>White represents purity (as opposed to sin which is scarlet). It often represents a season of celebration rather than a day.</p>	<p>On these two days of the year the church is stripped bare of all decoration and flowers.</p>
<p>Used during Advent and Lent</p>	<p>Pentecost/Whitsun Martyr's saints' days</p>	<p>Used throughout Ordinary Time.</p>	<p>Used for special days of celebration, such as Easter Day and Christmas</p>	<p>Used in the seasons of Easter and Christmas and for saints who were not martyred.</p>	<p>Good Friday and Holy Saturday</p>