



ST NINIAN'S UNITING CHURCH
PEBBLES SEPTEMBER 10th, 2023
Week 2 in Month of Creation – Land Sunday



Based on PSALM 139:7-12

GOD IS WITH US EVERYWHERE!

God is always present with us anywhere on earth, even in the skies.

We can go to the North Pole or the South Pole, or any continent and.....God is there!

You can find any place on a map and know that.... God is there!

We can't hide from God. God looks after us and cares for us.

God guides us, and we feel as comfortable as we would if someone was cuddling us.

God's Spirit is like the gusts of wind.

It goes everywhere, blowing goodness throughout the universe.

God's Spirit plays hide and seek with us. God peeks through the clouds. God hides below the ocean floor.

God is in the green spaces of the land, in the land where it seems nothing will grow.

We can't weigh or measure God. We can't put a fence around God and keep God in.

God is with us now and will be with us always, whatever may happen to us.

If you are sitting down, lying down, or walking around....God is there!

When we make mistakes and do things that are wrong, however, we feel....God is there!

When you look up in the sky and see the moon and the stars...God is with us everywhere!

Draw yourself
In a place that
You would like
To visit.
Colour the
World that
Sits in God's hands



Hello God,

Today I am praying about the earth where the story goes that all people came from because You made it happen that way a very long time ago. You made everything good and beautiful, and the early people messed it all up by doing the wrong things which made You cross and life harder for everyone. I'm learning that when I do something wrong, I can't hide from it from You, ever. I have to tell You about it and then say sorry. Help me Jesus to say sorry to my Mum and Dad as well when I do something wrong. I know You love me so much that when I say sorry, You will still love me and forgive me, just like my Mum and Dad.

In Your name I pray,

Amen

TAKE A CLOSER LOOK – bringing families together!

An excellent tactile activity for children to share with their loving carers.

What You Need

Soil, strainer, magnifying glass, spoons, newspaper

Directions

1. Look at the soil through the magnifying glass. What do you see?
2. Use the strainer to sift the soil onto the newspaper and examine what is left in the strainer. You may find all kinds of things, like small stones, seeds, feathers, and tiny bugs.
3. Write down everything you can see.
4. Look at the sifted soil and note the difference!
5. Touch the soil and rub it between your fingers, and listen to sound it makes as you make circular motions with soil on the newspaper.
6. Smooth it out on the newspaper and draw a picture of something you saw through the magnifying glass.
7. What happens when you press it hard between your fingers?



WE CAN ALL CARE FOR THE LAND

The land is important for all sorts of little creatures and every person. We need healthy land to grow food. Sometimes, we don't look after the land properly. Sometimes we leave our rubbish behind when we visit parks, beaches, and the shops. Our litter harms the landscape, the fish in the oceans and people when they slip over at the shops. Sometimes our litter goes down the drains and clogs up the drainage systems. We can all help caring the land.

What are some of the ways we can all help to care for the land?

In the foot outline below, write down what steps you can take to care for the land better than you are at the moment.



Taking Care of the Earth Game Card #3

While you are brushing your teeth, turn off the faucet so you don't waste the _____.

The 3 R's:
REDUCE
RECYCLE

Let's not litter and keep our parks _____.

Glass or plastic containers that have a narrow neck and usually holds liquid.

Instead of driving, walk or ride your bike, wherever you can to _____ energy.

Bring cloth bags to the grocery store that can be reused again and again, instead of using _____ bags that will be thrown out.

Everything in the earth that is not made by people. The animals, plants, mountains, and oceans, are all part of _____.

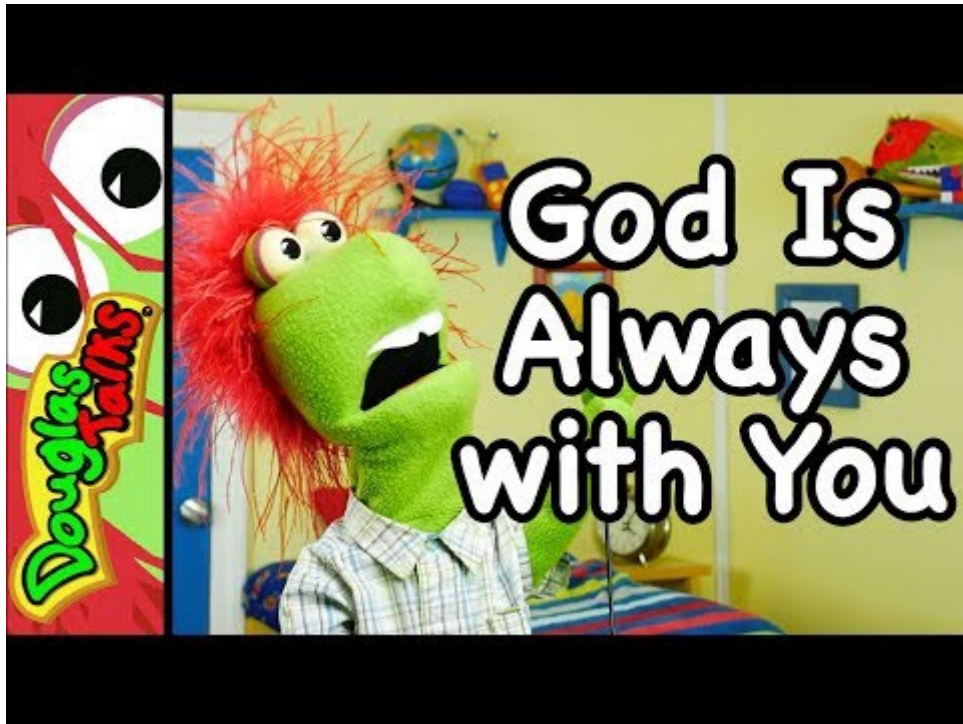
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In case you don't know what a faucet is, it is a tap.



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You can't hide from God, because God is always with you – even when you are playing in the dirt, growing vegetables in the garden or doing puzzles.



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