

SEPTEMBER 1, 2021
TAKING FAITH HOME
ORDER REMINDER



It is time to place your order for next year!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary text for this day.

Wednesday **Exodus 34:8-28** **The covenant renewal**
Deuteronomy 6:4-9 **Keep these words in your heart**

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR TODAY

Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

Deuteronomy 6:7 (NRSV)

REORDERING INFORMATION

The traditional church year begins with the season of Advent which begins this year on November 28, 2021. This current year *Taking Faith Home* (Cycle B) version bulletin series will end with Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2021.

NOW IS THE TIME TO ORDER FOR NEXT YEAR!

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Taking Faith Home (Cycle C) 2021-2022 can be purchased as an online download (with no shipping charges) for \$49.95 or as a CDROM for \$49.95 plus shipping and handling. We recommend that our international customers purchase the download version due to the higher international shipping costs for a CDROM.



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HYMN OF THE DAY

Will You Come and Follow



WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Have you personally used *Taking Faith Home* this past year? If so, how?
- In what ways have you encouraged others in the congregation and community to use *Taking Faith Home*?
- Have you heard a story this past year about someone using *Taking Faith Home*? With whom and how did they use it? How was it a blessing for them and others?

DEVOTIONS



Read: Deuteronomy 6:4-9.

We are not born with faith embedded within our DNA structure. Faith has to be learned in life from others. Teaching the faith and passing on the faith to the next generation does not happen through the work of congregations alone. One needs to speak and hear faith at home as well. In Deuteronomy we see the power of cross-generational conversation and rituals and traditions to help children and adults be nourished in God's word for a life of faith. People need to be immersed into a faith-filled environment in the home to become fluent in a faith language. Fluency in a language cannot happen with only a one or two hour a week exposure within a congregational faith community. There has to be greater and more consistent immersion into a faith-filled nurturing environment to learn. Who has helped you grow in the Christian faith? How can you support others in living God's word?

Pray: **Loving God, thank you for your word of life that gives us hope and joy and is a source of encouragement to us as we grow in grace through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE



Consider sending a copy of *Taking Faith Home* by mail or electronically to a friend, neighbor, or nearby congregation to make them aware of this valuable faith formation resource.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Taking Faith Home bulletin inserts are based on the Revised Common Lectionary. There is an insert for each Sunday, special days, and some holidays. Each insert includes the Four Key Faith Practices of caring conversations, devotions, service, and rituals and traditions. They also include the weekly theme, daily Bible readings, a scripture verse, a weekly prayer, a mealtime prayer, a blessing to give, a hymn, and a time to talk about mountain highs and valley lows. It can be helpful to distribute the *Taking Faith Home User Guide* to each of your congregational members in November to assist them on how to best utilize this faith formation resource.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org