

SEPTEMBER 2, 2024
TAKING FAITH HOME
ORDER REMINDER



Now is the time to reorder for next year!

REORDER BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the reordering theme for today.

Monday Deuteronomy 4:9-14 **Do not forget the teachings**
1 Timothy 4:6-16 **A good minister of Jesus Christ**
Psalms 106:1-6, 13-23, 47-48 **A confession of our sins**

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR TODAY

Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

Psalms 106:47 (NRSV)

ORDERING INFORMATION

The new church year (Cycle C) begins on the first Sunday of Advent. It falls on December 1, 2024. The current 2023-2024 *Taking Faith Home* (Cycle B) series will end on the last Sunday of the church year which is Christ the King Sunday, November 24, 2024.

NOTE: NOW IS THE TIME TO REORDER CYCLE C FOR NEXT YEAR!
TAKING FAITH HOME IS NOT A SUBSCRIPTION AND DOES NOT AUTO RENEW.

To order, visit our store at: www.store.milestonesministry.org
Or send an email to us at: info@milestonesministry.org
Or call us and leave a message at: 1-304-300-0836 (We will get back to you ASAP)

Taking Faith Home for next year, (Cycle C) 2024-2025 can be purchased as a digital download or as a CDROM plus shipping and handling. We recommend that our international customers purchase the digital download version due to the higher international shipping costs for a CDROM.



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HYMN FOR TODAY

*The Church of Christ, in
Every Age*



REORDER 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:

- In what ways can *Taking Faith Home* be used as a faith formation resource for yourself and your faith community?
- Do you send *Taking Faith Home* to college students, the home bound, or others to keep them connected to your congregation? Why or why not? Explain.

DEVOTIONS



Read: 1 Timothy 4:6-16.

We are not born with faith embedded within our chromosome structure. Faith does not appear on its own as we get older. In this reading, we are to “*command and teach these things*” (v. 11). Faith has to be taught and learned in life from others. Faith is formed by the power of the Holy Spirit through personal, trusted relationships, often in our own home. 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 for the Christian faith to become a way of life.

Discuss: Who taught you to grow in the Christian faith? How can you be a role model and teach others to devote themselves to God’s word?

Pray: **Loving God, thank you for allowing us to teach and share our faith with others as we grow in grace through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. In what ways can you share *Taking Faith Home* with family, a friend, a neighbor, those homebound or in assisted living, or someone else?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



Taking Faith Home is based on the *Revised Common Lectionary*. It includes one for each Sunday plus ones for other times such as holidays. Each one includes talking about weekly mountain highs and valley lows before the Four Key Faith Practices of Caring Conversations, Devotions, Service, and Rituals and Traditions. Each week also includes prayers, Bible readings, a blessing, and suggested hymns. The *Taking Faith Home User Guide* can be printed, sent in an email, or posted on a website for each person to assist them on how to best utilize this faith formation resource in their daily lives.



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