

Statement to live by



I can say one good thing about myself

Gathering

Lighting the candle is a sign that we come together with Jesus. Today we are going to thank God for giving us all something that we are good at. God doesn't make rubbish and has given every person a gift to use.

Gathering

I want you to sit in quiet reflection for a moment and think about what a gift is.



The Word of God

St. Paul who was a famous follower of Jesus wrote a letter to his friends in a place called Corinth. His friends were also followers of Jesus. In the letter he told his friends that God has given us all gifts. There is something that each person is good at and we have to discover what that is so we can use our gift to help God's family. Listen carefully to what he said.

The Word of God

God gives each of us different gifts. Some are wise; some can explain things well; some can make people better; some can make people happy.

It's like your body. Different parts have a different job to do. Each part is different and important.

Your body needs all the parts to work well together. You need a head to think, eyes to see, hands to hold, feet to walk, ears to hear.

The Word of God

If your whole body was just an eye, how would you hear anything?

If your whole body was just an ear, how would you smell anything?

The Word of God

Each part is put there by God for a special purpose.
Just as each gift is given to us by God for us to use.
We need each other so that everything that needs to
be done is done.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Action/Response

Everyone in this school makes up part of Christ's body.

That means together as God's family we work like a human body, each of us doing something different.

But God can't do without any one of us. Just think quietly for a moment and see if you can think of one good thing you are good at.

It might be making people laugh, it might be being helpful at home, it might be tidying up in the classroom. There is something you are good at so think hard for a moment...



share ideas around the circle.

Prayer and Response

The response to our prayer is:

Thank you God our Father.

All: Thank you God our Father.

Prayer and Response

For making us all like you

All :Thank you God our Father.

For the gift of laughter

All :Thank you God our Father.

Prayer and Response

For the gift of helpfulness

All: Thank you God our Father.

For the gift of kindness

All: Thank you God our Father.

Prayer and Response

For the gift of learning

All: Thank you God our Father.

For the gift of teaching

All : Thank you God our Father.

Action/Response

Let us end our time of prayer by saying our Morning Offering/Prayer together. As we say the prayer, let us offer our special gift back to God and try to use it today to help Christ's body, that is, God's family in our school.

Let us say together...

Thank you God for this new day,
In my school to work and play,
Please be with me all day long,
In every story, game and song,
May all the happy things we do,
Make you our Father happy too.

Amen.





Prayer & Liturgy Planning Sheet

Term/week/date	Autumn 1 Week 2	w/c 09/09/24	
Leader	Year group		Year
Statement to live by	I can say one good thing about myself Allows children to understand their uniqueness as made in the image of God and develop self awareness, positive self-esteem and confidence.		
Feast/Special Day			
Thought for the week	“Educating is an act of love; it is like giving life. <i>Pope Francis</i>		
Gathering (creating a sacred space, focus table, images and symbols, music, lighting)	Lighted candle Bible opened to Corinthians 12:4-30 Reflection music - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E1f8Tn5UOpU Lighting the candle is a sign that we come together with Jesus. Today we are going to thank God for giving us all something that we are good at. God doesn't make rubbish and has given every person a gift to use. I want you to sit in quiet reflection for a moment and think about what a gift is.		
The word of God (Word of God and scripture used)	Reader 1 <i>St. Paul who was a famous follower of Jesus wrote a letter to his friends in a place called Corinth. His friends were also followers of Jesus. In the letter he told his friends that God has given us all gifts. There is something that each person is good at and we have to discover what that is so we can use our gift to help God's family. Listen carefully to what he said.</i> Reader 2 <i>God gives each of us different gifts. Some are wise; some can explain things well; some can make people better; some can make people happy. It's like your body. Different parts have a different job to do. Each part is different and important. Your body needs all the parts to work well together. You need a head to think, eyes to see, hands to hold, feet to walk, ears to hear. If your whole body was just an eye, how would you hear anything? If your whole body was just an ear, how would you smell anything? Each part is put there by God for a special purpose. Just as each gift is given to us by God for us to use. We need each other so that everything that needs to be done is done. This is the Word of the Lord.</i> Thanks be to God.		
Action/Response to the Word of God (quiet reflection time, discuss message and meaning, say prayer)	Leader: <i>Everyone in this school makes up part of Christ's body. That means together as God's family we work like a human body, each of us doing something different. But God can't do without any one of us. Just think quietly for a moment and see if you can think of one good thing you are good at. It might be making people laugh, it might be being helpful at home, it might be tidying up in the classroom. There is something you are good at so think hard for a moment....(allow time for quiet thought)</i> <i>The response to our prayer is: Thank you God our Father.</i> R/Thank you God our Father. <i>For making us all like you</i> R/Thank you God our Father. <i>For the gift of laughter</i> R/Thank you God our Father. <i>For the gift of helpfulness</i> R/Thank you God our Father. <i>For the gift of kindness</i> R/Thank you God our Father. <i>For the gift of learning</i> R/Thank you God our Father. <i>For the gift of teaching</i> R/Thank you God our Father.		
Mission/Go Forth (message, action, activity or anything specific you want the children to do or reflect on)	<i>Let us end our time of prayer by saying our Morning Offering/Prayer together. As we say the prayer, let us offer our special gift back to God and try to use it today to help Christ's body, that is, God's family in our school.</i> <i>Thank you God for this new day, In my school to work and play, Please be with me all day long, In every story, game and song, May all the happy things we do, Make you our Father happy too.</i> Amen. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q1ps745an7l - children can listen to and sign the following hymn.		
Evaluation (brief comment)			