



Kidz Korner

Issue 53

December 2014

St. Michaels on Wyre Sunday School is where the Word of God is taught with affection so that children may seek Him and find Him in their own lives.

Welcome back to Kidz Korner!

Once again we welcomed Toddlers, Teens and the new confirmation candidates plus the Sunday School group.

We were very busy again this month learning all about advent.

All the children's work can be seen on the boards in Church and on the St. Michaels on-Wyre Church Facebook page.

This month we will be preparing for Christmas!

Jen

Sunday School

This month in Sunday School we looked at advent. We focused on learning about the candles that we use in Church and what their meanings are.

Firstly we cut out holly leaves and candles (three purple, one pink and one white) so that we could make a collage of the advent candles that we could display in Church.

To make our collage look even better we scrunched up red tissue paper to make

berries and yellow and orange tissue paper to make the flames for our candles.

The candles have the following meanings:

- * Hope (purple)
- * Peace (purple)
- * Love (purple)
- * Joy (pink)
- * Birth of Christ (white).



Some of the older members of the Sunday School wrote prayers on the subjects of hope, peace, love and joy the first four advent candles.

Our beautiful collage and the prayers that were written can all be seen on the Sunday School display boards in Church. We hope you manage to have a look at them.

We are all really looking forward to Christmas activities next month!

Lucy and Angus.



Toddler Time



It was all about the Good Shepherd this month and counting all the sheep he had! He always knew how many he had and was so upset when he lost one that he searched

high and low to find it again. Luckily none of us got lost and Lis didn't have to try and find us! We made lots of sheep all with lots of fluffy wool on

them. We made so many that we even had to take some home with us! We can't wait to learn about Christmas next month!

Confirmation News

Well after watching Finding Nemo this month the candidates were all in bright and early and eager to find out what we would be learning about this month. They definitely weren't disappointed when they saw The Simpsons ready to play.

Now, The Simpsons might seem a strange choice for learning about Church and Confirmation, but Homer Simpson did have something quite profound to say; "what's the big deal about going to some building every Sunday?" and this definitely intrigued us. Why do we all gather on a Sunday morning and go to the same building and do the same thing every week? Does this really make us a good Christian?

Now, we did all come to the conclusion that we think Church is very important. It is nice to meet together regularly with other people who share our beliefs and values. We can make friends at Church. We can learn more about our faith and our beliefs. We can even begin to learn more about ourselves. However, we did have to ask ourselves, do we always have to meet in the same building?

When we looked at the Bible we found that it says "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20). This we took as meaning we don't have to meet inside a building at all to worship God. Not only that; we could meet anywhere we like! In some ways our own little gathering for Confirmation Class could be seen as a Church because the Church is about more than just the building; its about the people! The Church then is the people that gather together in God's name, not the building that they meet in. Wherever we all go together, so long as we do so in God's name, we are a Church and we are all important members of that Church.

We found out that people across the world gather in all sorts of different places to worship God together. Some people gather in each others houses (a bit like our very own Bible Group), some gather in huge arena like buildings where thousands of people can meet together at any one time, others attend traditional styled Churches like our very own at St. Michaels, there are those that have more modern buildings and there are even those that meet outside. It doesn't really matter where we meet at all!



Now its all very well us all turning up at the same place every week, or whenever we arrange to meet, BUT we all agree being a Christian is about much more than just turning up; it's a way of life!

Next Month...

- * **Sunday 7th December Family and All Age Worship** 9.15am in Church
- * **Sunday 14th December** is the **School Nativity Service** starting at **4.00pm** in Church. Arrive early for a good seat!
- * **Sunday 21st December** is **Sunday School, Toddler Time, Confirmation and Teen Time** at 9.00 in School. We will definitely be preparing for Christmas by then (Karen might even let us get the glitter out!). We will also have a special visitor with us for this session; Bishop Julian wants to come and see what fun we are all having!
- * **Sunday 21st December** is also the **Carol Service** starting at **4.00pm** in Church.
- * **Wednesday 24th December** is the **Christingle** service starting at 4.00pm in Church.
- * **Thursday 25th December** is **Christmas Day** with the service starting at **9.15am** in Church. All are welcome and we encourage everyone to bring along a present that they have opened that morning so we can all see what everyone is getting!

