

**St. Luke's Church School
Grades 7 and 8
March 2, 2008**

I Am Made in the Image of God: Who Am I?

Opening Devotion: Today's Collect

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Goal for Today: To gain a better sense of identity within family

Activities:

1. Bible Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 1-10
2. Building Our Family Tree
3. Telling a Favorite Funny Story about a Family Member

Closing Prayer: The Lord's Prayer

Deuteronomy 26: 1-10

¹ "When you come into the land which the LORD your God gives you for an inheritance, and have taken possession of it, and live in it, ² you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God gives you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place which the LORD your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. ³ And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'I declare this day to the LORD your God that I have come into the land which the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.' ⁴ Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand, and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God. ⁵ "And you shall make response before the LORD your God, 'A wandering Aramean was my father; and he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number; and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. ⁶ And the Egyptians treated us harshly, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage. ⁷ Then we cried to the LORD the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice, and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression; ⁸ and the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror, with signs and wonders; ⁹ and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰