



The Way of Love: Faith Formation for All Ages

September	TURN
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This year, we are trying a new experiment for Faith Formation: All of us will participate in The Way of Love, a program designed by the Episcopal Church to guide us toward developing a Rule of Life—an intentional commitment to a set of practices that provide guidance, rhythm, and inspiration for living a beautiful, meaningful, and holy life. As we place these practices at the heart of our daily lives and join with companions who share the commitment, we grow more and more in the unselfish, hope-filled Way of Love that Jesus embodied in the world.

Each month, we will focus on one of these practices (listed above). Each practice involves 3 steps: reading Scripture (“say it”), saying a prayer (“pray it”), and doing something (“live it”). And there are 3 options for how to take each of these steps. These steps are listed on a deck of cards, and every household will receive a deck. On the first Sunday—with Family Worship—we will introduce the practice of that month. On the third Sunday, we will gather at 10 a.m. in the parish hall to share our stories and insights. Other explanatory materials are available at the church. To learn more and to download more materials, go to [BIG Way of Love for Kids](#)

September: TURN

In our Baptismal Covenant we are asked 3 questions:

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord

To each question we answered *I do*.

By saying, praying, and living this practice this month, we renew our baptismal promises, and we learn how to reorient our lives to Jesus Christ.

Say it: Luke 15:11-32; Psalm 51:10-12; Matthew 4:18-20

Pray it: *Hi God, I love you. Amen.*

Dear God, thank you for teaching my heart to turn around; help me listen to the voice in my heart that reminds me you are always there, always ready to welcome me. Amen.

O God, every day I get to choose how I will follow Jesus.. I turn my heart to you again, Lord Jesus. Amen.

Live it: Holding a rock, think of a mistake you have made; squeeze the rock, and in doing so hand that mistake over to Jesus, then pour water over the rock .

Using any material, create an image of Jesus as you imagine him looking as you turn toward him.