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Dear St. Luke Teachers and Families,

Here is an overview of Sunday School resources that you might find helpful in planning your classes, or in conducting your family’s “Religious Education at Home”.

Both Orthodox and non-Orthodox sites are offered here:

1.https://orthodoxchristianparenting.wordpress.com/2015/08/19/resources-for-orthodox-christian-parents-and-teachers/

2. http://www.transfigurationgoc.org/our-faith/orthodox-christian-websites/

From the Orthodox Christian Parenting site, here are some highlights:

3. http://ww1.antiochian.org/christianeducation/letusattend- This site contains already prepared lessons based upon the Gospel reading for each Sunday, from the beginning of January to the end of December, 2020. Each lesson is broken down into age appropriate stories and activities for children from pre-school to high school.

4. http://www.orthodoxabc.com- Downloadable, already prepared lessons (with teacher “scripts” and puzzles) for elementary aged children.

5.http://dce.oca.org- At this site, you will find many very useful lesson “starters”, activity ideas, etc. Click on the tabs for Mini Units; Activity books (these are **tremendous**!); and Resources!

6. http://churchmusic.goarch.org/resources/kids\_hymns- for incorporating the hymnography of the church into your lessons, this is an excellent resource, for liturgical music, feast day troparia, and fun songs like "God is the Boss – Learning Song about Doing Our Cross with Gigi Shadid”.

7. https://orthodoxpebbles.com- Tremendous site with some of the best resources for crafts to accompany your lessons! You will even find some online games that can be controlled by the teacher. To access these on the site, go to the “Resources by Theme” tab, then “Special Projects” on the drop down menu.

8. Children’s Bible Reader Online- requires Adobe Flash, and you may have to play around with your browser to access this (e.g., Firefox works, Safari doesn’t). Audio/visual version of the Bible we have in the Sunday School office (not exactly videos):

http://cbr.goarch.org/#:~:text=The%20Children%27s%20Bible%20Reader%20Online%20is%20provided%20by,America%20in%20cooperation%20with%20the%20American%20Bible%20Society

9. Cartoons based upon stories from The Beginner’s Bible may be found on YouTube.

10. Resources for use by teachers and parents of the older/oldest kids:

https://myocn.net

http://www.ancientfaithministries.com/

 http://illumination-learning.com/main/

11.IOCC Prayer Journal, online:

 https://iocc.org/2020-prayer-journal/

12. 2021 St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Topics and information:

 https://www.goarch.org/en/oratorical.