**GIFT 3 – Callings All Around Us**

**November 14 2018**

Dessert? Brownies? Pies (Village Inn?) Pies range from $10-15 each, and serve 8. We would need 12-15 pies.

Room setup – 12 tables @ 8 each.

4 long tables for mural project.

Drop cloth for mural

Drop cloths under mural tables

Finger Paint for mural

Wet wipes to remove paint

Slides for God’s Dream

Storyteller for God’s Dream – Kathy Hamilton?

Use age-level placards again. May need to go and invite tables to combine or recombine.

Worship liturgy . . . Make use of all ages again. Maybe invite Wes Crist to participate.

Design the program to be more balanced toward people sharing and less presentational.

Need someone to take photos.

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**RUN SHEET**

**6:30 Welcome**

**6:32 Review of Themes from *The Stories We Live***

**6:35 Our Daily Prayer (Collect Prayer)** – Alex will type into Word on Screen

**6:40 Community Prayer** based on poem on p. 120 of TSWL - each table reads a section of the poem in unison.

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| **ALL** | We are called by God; |
| **Table 1** | to be followers, worshippers, witnesses, neighbors, |
| **Table 2** | forgivers, prophets, and stewards; |
| **Table 3** | as the community we are, in the uniqueness of our context; |
| **Table 4** | from our losses to a new life together; |
| **Table 5** | for each other and for God’s world; |
| **Table 6** | through each other as agents of God’s calling; |
| **Table 7** | in our suffering; |
| **Table 8** | and within God’s dwelling place. |
| **Table 9** | We are called to be Christ’s hands and feet. |
| **Table 10** | We are called to love as God loves. |
| **ALL** | And we respond. Thanks be to God. Amen! |

**6:42 We Are Called in Community / This or That**

This or That Prompts. Would you rather vacation at the beach or the mountains?

Have adult and child-friendly versions of questions printed on the cards.

**Dice Roll Prompt**

1. Cats or dogs?
2. Mountains or beach?
3. Vanilla or chocolate?
4. Phone call or text?
5. Laundry or dishes?
6. Pen or pencil?
7. Coke or Pepsi?
8. Star Wars or Star Trek?
9. Ninjas or Priates?
10. Ice Cream Cone or Sno Cone?
11. Heavy Metal or Classical?

**6:50 God’s Dream** – Jeclisse Arman Reads – Slides on Screen

**6:55 Talk about Callings at the Tables**

Biblical calling, contemporary calling, your calling.

Kids, just like adults, have callings and opportunities to make God smile.

“What is God calling you to in your life?”

for kids: “What is God calling you to do in your family, school, community, or church?”

Prayer together at the tables.

**7:15 – Banner Activity**

“Dear child of God, do you know how to make God’s dream come true? It is really quite easy. As easy as sharing, loving, caring…as easy as knowing we are family because we are all God’s children. . . .

God smiles like a rainbow when you do.”

Picking up in the final illustration in the story, we will make a rainbow collage of hands on a large piece of butcher paper or canvas. Over the rainbow we’ll have words to the effect of “God Smiles like a rainbow when we follow our callings”.

**7:29 Closing Prayer**

**Reader One**

Gracious and Loving God,

Thank you for creating us;

Thank you for communicating with us;

And thank you for calling us.

**Reader Two**

You’ve called us to be explorers.

You’ve called us to be encouragers.

And you’ve called us to be engaged with others.

**Reader Three**

O God Who Calls,

Help us to listen for your Word.

Help us to hear your call to us.

And grant us the courage to live out our calling with joy, with faith, and with love.

Amen.

**7:30 Benediction - Melissa**