August: A Summer Psalm

Preparing to Pray

Talk with your child about the things that make summertime special. Then pray this psalm together, inviting your child to echo each line. As an alternative, you may want to pray each verse on consecutive days. This will remind your child of the importance of praising God every day.

Praying Together

We praise you, God, for sunny days.

We bless you for colorful flowers and juicy fruits.

We thank you for gentle rains that help thirsty plants to grow.

Loving Father, all creation shows your glory. Alleluia!

We praise you, God, for starry skies.

We bless you for the nighttime moon.

We thank you for long and lazy days that give us time to pray and play.

Loving Father, all creation shows your glory. Alleluia!

We praise you, God, for fireflies and ladybugs.

We bless you for swings and slides, for parks and playgrounds.

We thank you for water for swimming and splashing; for sand that we can shape and build.

Loving Father, all creation shows your glory. Alleluia!

We praise you, God, for friends and family who help us to celebrate.

We bless you for picnics and parades.

We thank you for fireworks and fairs and block parties.

Loving Father, help us to remember that all good things are gifts from you. Alleluia!

Working with Your Child

- Help your child to be aware of the gifts of in creation throughout the year. Take walks together and ask your child to notice seasonal changes in the world around them.
- Using the "We praise you, we bless you, we thank you" format from the "Summer Psalm," create new psalms together that celebrate our experiences of God's gifts at different times of the year.