

## Dear Families:

This week, we continued our new unit in the “Follow Me” curriculum. It focuses on the virtue of Hope. While usually tied to Advent, we can apply hope to this season of the church year as well.

Today, we discussed how different branches of Christianity view and demonstrate hope. We talked about the Quaker tradition of “holding people in the light,” as well as the Roman Catholic tradition of lighting a candle for ones that need hope and prayer. We then made posters of encouragement and hope for others in the congregation, using quotes from famous people across history- from Aristotle to Christopher Reeve!

This week, we will resume our Hot Chocolate Sales! All proceeds will benefit Literacy of Love/Family of the Heart. Cups will be on sale for \$1. People will be encouraged to “grab and go.” Last week, we had a very successful sale, and we hope to continue the hot chocolate bar as long as the cold weather lasts.

Thanks for joining us today!  
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