

Dear Families:

Today we enjoyed an amazing breakfast prepared by our wonderful church members! What a way to say, "Welcome Back to Church!" If you missed it, don't worry- we have plenty of opportunities for fun and fellowship all year long!

Today was also the first day of Sunday School for the 2023-2024 school year! We began by studying the Gospel of Matthew, where Jesus is taking on the role of teacher. What a great lesson for the beginning of the school year! Jesus knew that His followers wouldn't always get along, especially when He would no longer be walking with them on Earth. He wanted them to know how to solve their differences and work together for the sake of the church. He taught His disciples, saying that if another Christian hurts you, go talk to them about it. Try to work it out between yourselves. If he listens, you've made a friend. If he doesn't listen, try again- this time with some friends. Maybe having witnesses will keep things honest. If that still doesn't work, try again! This time, tell the church. Maybe all of you together can work it out. If that still doesn't work, he's not your brother anymore. He's to be avoided. But, he should still be forgiven- seventy times seven.

That's great advice to follow even today- when people still find it difficult to get along. We would love to gain new brothers and sisters in Christ. We would love to see you with us next week!

Thank you for joining us today!

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