<u>Pre-Sermon Devotional</u> <u>The Mystery of the Trinity</u>

This week we will focus on learning about the Trinity.

Monday

Pray:

Read: <u>Deuteronomy 6:4-9</u> Think about the following:

- 1) What does verse 4 plainly say about our God?
- 2) Who is responsible for teaching this to our children?
- 3) Why does God want us to teach this diligently?
- 4) What are the other "gods" in our lives?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, you are the one true God. You have created the earth and you rescued us from our sinful nature. The world tells us that there are many paths to heaven and different ways to see you. Help us to remember that the Bible clearly tells us you are the only way. In Jesus' name, amen.

Tuesday

Pray:

Read: Genesis 1:1-3

Think about the following:

1) In this passage, where do we see the three persons in the Trinity? (Hint: Look for "the Word")

Prayer: Heavenly Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You existed as the Trinity at creation. You are the same yesterday, today and tomorrow. Help us to take comfort in this fact. In Jesus name, amen.

Wednesday

Pray:

Read: John 1:1-2,14

Think about the following:

- 1) What does this passage say about the Word?
- 2) How does this relate to yesterday's reading?
- 3) What happened to the Word?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Word, Jesus became flesh and dwelt among us. This is such a mystery that our minds cannot comprehend it. Although we cannot fully understand this reality, help us to accept it by faith. In Jesus name, amen.

Thursday

Pray:

Read: Matthew 28:19-20
Think about the following:

- 1) Into what name did Jesus tell us to be baptized?
- 2) How long did Jesus say he would be with us?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We have been baptized into your name. Because of that baptism, we know that we have eternal life in you. Help us now to go out and make disciples. In Jesus name, amen.

<u>Friday</u>

Pray:

Read: Matthew 3:16-17
Think about the following:

1) How do we see the presence of the Trinity in today's reading?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Once again, Scripture clearly states that you are one God in three persons. There are those who claim to know you, but not in your true form. Help us to teach these people about you. In Jesus name, amen.

Saturday

Pray:

Read: James 2:19

Think about the following:

- 1) Why is belief that God is one not enough?
- 2) Who else believes that God is one?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Help us to take this head knowledge and learn to trust you in our hearts as well. Help us to especially take to heart the sacrifice that Jesus made to pay for our sins upon the cross. In His name, amen.