

Jacksonville First Adventurer Club Newsletter

2026-27 Meeting #5 Recap | October 10, 2026 [Link to previous newsletter](#)



Theme: Serving Others in Our Community and Church

What a wonderful day of learning, serving, and sharing God's love! Our Adventurers discovered that everyone, no matter how young, can make a difference at home, at church, and in the community. We sang "This Little Light of Mine," "I'll Be a Sunbeam for Him," and "Sanctuary," celebrating the joy of shining for Jesus through our actions. **Devotional – Jesus Showed Us How to Serve** Jesus, the King of Heaven, humbled Himself to wash His disciples' feet, showing that true greatness comes from serving others with love. **Key Verse:** "Through love serve one another" (Galatians 5:13, NKJV). Even small acts of kindness can show others how much Jesus loves them! **Special Thanks** – A heartfelt thank-you to our fantastic staff and volunteers! Thanks Abigail for bringing energy and excitement to our Busy Bee class, and we thank our pastor for taking time to be interviewed by Helping Hands. We also recognize Olivia, Hadassa, and Melanie for leading our song service, and Olivia for opening prayer. A warm welcome to Amina's guests, Eva and Karissa—we're delighted you joined us!

Class Breakout:

Little Lambs (Special Helper) Our youngest Adventurers explored what it means to be a helper through the story *I Help at Home*, the song – "This is the Way we Help our Mom," and a sensory activity exploring items used by helpers. They also colored a special-helper picture to become their very own button! **Ask Your Child:** What chore did you choose? How can helping show love?

Eager Beavers (My Community Friends) Friendship Tag and Friend Bingo helped the children recognize familiar faces and build friendships. Through "Mia's Special Message," they explored ways to improve their neighborhood and learned that kind words, sharing, making cards, and helping neighbors are wonderful ways to show others that Jesus loves them. Each child planned a kind act to share with a community friend. **Ask Your Child:** Who is one of your community friends? What kind act will you do for someone?

Busy Bees (Church Cleaning) Our Busy Bees learned why caring for God's house matters and practiced practical ways to keep our church welcoming. They tried their hands at straightening songbooks and tithe envelopes, tidying a kitchen, collecting trash, dusting, and cleaning mirrors. They discovered that even simple cleaning tasks help care for our church family and make visitors feel welcome. **Ask Your Child:** How did you help care for the church? How can a clean church make visitors feel?

Sunbeams (Courtesy) Our Sunbeams became Courtesy Detectives, learning that good manners are a way to show respect and share Jesus' love. Through games and role-play, they practiced the Golden Rule, polite table and telephone manners, greeting others, apologizing, listening, and taking turns. **Ask Your Child:** What does the Golden Rule teach us? What courteous action will you practice this week?

Helping Hands (My Church) Our Helping Hands became Church Detectives, exploring church spaces and discovering how the pastor, church leaders, and various ministries serve our church family. During their pastor interview, they learned that at age 3, he preached to an audience of dolls! They discovered that the church is more than a building—it is God's family working together to worship Him, help others, and share His love. Each child selected a service mission to complete during the coming week. **Ask Your Child:** What did you discover about how the church works? How will you serve this week?

Family Reminders:

- Little Lambs families: Please help your child complete the selected home chore and return the activity at our next meeting.
- Eager Beaver families: Encourage your child to follow through on the planned kind act in the community.
- Helping Hands families: Please support your child in completing the chosen service mission.

Next Meetings:

October 17 – Library Day Special Event (cancelled due to early voting)

Saturday, October 24 @ 2:00 – 3:30 PM Theme: "I Can Show God's Love by Helping at Home!"

- **Little Lambs** (Age 4 and under): Sharing – Sharing God's blessings with others.
- **Eager Beaver** (Age 5): Fire Safety – Helping keep ourselves and others safe.
- **Busy Bee** (Age 6): Home Helper – Serving our families faithfully.
- **Sunbeam** (Age 7): Listening – Listening actively to God and others.
- **Helping Hands** (Age 9): International – Understanding and appreciating God's worldwide family.



We can't wait to see every Adventurer back for another fun-filled meeting of discovery, friendship, and growing together in Jesus!