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Kids Work Their Own Construction Site at St. James the Less

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Children broke ground at St. James the Less last Sunday, June 14, during the kick-off of this year's Sunday summer school program, "Groundbreakers". Working inside their very own construction site, yellow-hatted children ages 3-11 enjoyed stories, music, crafts and games. The program runs every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. through August 23, except July 5 and August 2. Kids join their parents during the exchange of the Peace, approximately half-way through the 10:00 a.m. service. Each week's lesson plan is self-contained so that families on vacation can miss one or more sessions. One of the unique features of the construction site is a "prayer wall" where adults and children are invited to post their prayers.

This special summer program is in its fourth year: past years' themes were "The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe", "Lighthouses" and "It's a Big Secret". The Episcopal Church of St. James the Less is located at 550 Sunset Ridge Rd., Northfield. More information is available at www.stjamestheless.org or by calling Sue at 847-446-5251. The program is free and open to all children ages 3-11.

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"Foreman" Simon Babbs reads a story to the assembled workers.



A construction site has appeared in the middle of the church's parish hall.



Safety signs and blueprints decorate the walls.

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