

Chapter 13

A Gathering Church

How good it is, how pleasant, where the people dwell as one!

Psalm 133:1

For the Parents:

In chapter 13 your child learned to:

- Give some reasons people gather as a Church
- Tell what makes a place holy
- Explain the difference between *church* and *Church*
- Name people who gather with them as Church

There are many reasons to gather together. Families of course are the first and primary way to gather. But think of all the times you get together with other people. If you stop to think about it, there is usually a purpose to gathering, even if the purpose is to sit with a few friends and enjoy good conversation. The Church gathers us as the People of God with a very specific yet at the same time all – encompassing purpose: to know love and serve God. We gather as one, united in God’s Spirit to be witnesses in our world to faith, hope and love.

With Your Child:

1. The parish family gathers together to pray, to play, and to learn more about Jesus. Gather the members of your family and plan a special time each day or each week when you will pray, play, or learn together.
2. Read about Archbishop Oscar Romero on the Review and Explore page.