

## **Godly Play: The Basics and Beyond**

Sponsored by the Diocese of Southern Virginia at Eastern Shore Chapel, 2020 Laskin Rd., Virginia Beach Saturday, July 26 9 am to 3 pm

Learning about God is an essential part of religious education, but Godly Play also emphasizes the spiritual formation of children and the adults who work with them. In those moments of crisis that all of us inevitably face, a sense of God's presence can sustain us and carry us through. At this day-long workshop, you can learn - or refresh your enthusiasm for – the basics of Godly Play, and experience the newest stories and approaches to classroom enrichment from a veteran Godly Play trainer.

In the morning, participants will experience a full Godly Play session with an opportunity to learn some basic storytelling and classroom management techniques. Included will be ideas about ways students of all ages can use the Godly Play approach. The afternoon will concentrate on helping children form a love relationship with Jesus through the post-Resurrection stories about him in the new seven-part lesson called *Knowing Jesus in a New Way*, as well as a few other lessons from the latest volume of Godly Play stories.

Cost is \$25 per person and includes lunch and all workshop materials. Payment is required to confirm registration. Registration deadline is July 16.

Go to www.bit.ly/GPlayBTB to register.



Kathleen Capcara was raised in Columbus, Ohio, where her summer job at age 15 was organizing a play group for neighborhood children. Kathleen studied Anthropology at the University of Cincinnati, and worked in nursing for several years, where she discovered at hospital bedsides how people draw strength from faith traditions and use the Bible to find meaning in their life challenges. Since then, Kathleen has spent 20 years in the field of Christian education for children, youth and adults. Kathleen believes the Bible has more than one interpretation, so she is passionate about helping children feel confident using Bible stories to make meaning of their own experiences. In addition to her work as an accredited Godly Play Trainer, Kathleen works fulltime as Lay Associate for Parish Life at Trinity Episcopal Church and Chaplain of Trinity's Children's Center in Baltimore, Maryland. Kathleen loves to cook, host parties, and sing!