

Blessing of the Backpacks (one voice or unison)

God of new beginnings,
we give you thanks for every opportunity
to start fresh and seek new adventures.
We know that you are with us wherever we go.
Help us to see you in our schools,
our workplaces, our homes, and our travels.
Please fill our hearts with courage when we are afraid,
with wisdom when we are unsure,
and with love when we feel least like loving.
We ask your blessing on these backpacks,
that they will serve as reminders
that you help carry our burdens,
and that we carry our faith with us
wherever we go.
In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

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Blessing of the Backpacks (responsive)

One: God of new beginnings,
we give you thanks for every opportunity
to start fresh and seek new adventures.
Many: We know that you are with us wherever we go.
One: Help us to see you in our schools,
our workplaces, our homes, and our travels.
Many: We know that you are with us wherever we go.
One: Please fill our hearts with courage when we are afraid,
with wisdom when we are unsure,
and with love when we feel least like loving.
Many: We know that you are with us wherever we go.
One: We ask your blessing on these backpacks,
that they will serve as reminders
that you help carry our burdens,
and that we carry our faith with us wherever we go.
Many: Thank you, God. We love you. Amen.

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