

SUNDAY SCHOOL

2017-18

“At that time Jesus declared, ‘I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.’”

—Matthew 11:25-26

WHAT IS “SUNDAY SCHOOL”?

Sunday school is an extension of the parental office that calls fathers and mothers to be primary instructors of their children’s Christian faith (De 6:6-7).

WHAT IS THE INTENT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL?

Sunday school intends to instruct children regarding the foundational doctrines of Christianity on their way to learning *all* that Jesus commanded (Mt 28:20). It prepares children for more intense “catechesis,” which is the reception of God’s Word unto a renewing of the heart in conformity with God’s will. Hence, Sunday school will reinforce certain Biblical concepts:

1. God’s law is divided into two tables: relation to God and to neighbor (Mt 22:34-40)
2. The law is summarized by the word “love” (Rom 13:8-10)
3. The law shows us our sin (Rom 3:20)
4. The gospel shows us our Savior (Mk 1:1)
5. The Ten Commandments is the law that demands we love God and neighbor
6. The Apostles’ Creed is the gospel that shows God’s love for us in Christ
7. We pray “Our Father” because God loves us as His own children
8. In Baptism, God gives us His name and claims us as His children
9. In the Lord’s Supper, the pastor places the body of Christ into one’s mouth
10. Our salvation is certain on account of Jesus’ substitutionary death and resurrection

WHAT IS THE IMPORTANCE OF SUNDAY SCHOOL?

Sunday school is nothing short of sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with children. The gospel is not something “rediscovered” from generation to generation, but is “passed down” as a “tradition” (1 Cor 11:2, 23) to children and children’s children (De 4:9). With this in mind, Sunday school plays a vital role in the church today on behalf of God and parents—it is both an immense privilege and responsibility in which we joyfully partake!

FORMAT & MATERIALS

There will be two Sunday school classes each with one instructor and four assistants, assistants alternating weeks. The two classes will be toddlers through 3rd grade and 4th grade through pre-confirmation; young adults in confirmation or already confirmed may attend adult Bible study or assist with Sunday school. Each Sunday school will begin in the Fellowship Hall led by Pastor Greg and gathered with the adult Bible study. Sunday school materials will be provided by Pastor Greg.

2017-18 SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Date	Toddler – 3rd grade assistant	4th grade – pre-confirmation assistant	Scripture lesson	Catechetical work
Sep 10	<i>No Class – Christian Catechesis Breakfast</i>			
Sep 17	Susan	Kathy	Lk 17:11-19	Lord's Prayer
Sep 24	Amanda	Carolyne	Mt 6:24-34	Lord's Prayer
Oct 1	Minae	Trisha	Lk 7:11-17	Lord's Prayer
Oct 8	Cherri	Susan	Lk 14:1-11	Lord's Prayer
Oct 15	Amanda	Kathy	Mt 22:34-46	Lord's Prayer
Oct 22	Susan	Carolyne	Mt 9:1-8	Lord's Prayer
Oct 29	Amanda	Kathy	Jn 8:31-36	Lord's Prayer
Nov 5	Minae	Trisha	Mt 5:1-12	Lord's Prayer
Nov 12	Cherri	Susan	Mt 18:21-35	Lord's Prayer
Nov 19	Amanda	Kathy	Mt 22:15-22	Lord's Prayer
Nov 26	Susan	Carolyne	Mt 25:1-13	Apostles' Creed
Dec 3	Minae	Trisha	Mt 21:1-9	Apostles' Creed
Dec 10	Cherri	Susan	Lk 21:25-36	Apostles' Creed
Dec 17	Amanda	Kathy	Mt 11:2-10	Apostles' Creed
Dec 24	<i>No Class – Christmas Eve Day</i>			
Dec 31	Cherri	Carolyne	Lk 2:33-40	Apostles' Creed
Jan 7	Minae	Trisha	Mt 3:13-17	Apostles' Creed
Jan 14	Cherri	Susan	Jn 2:1-11	Apostles' Creed
Jan 21	Amanda	Kathy	Mt 17:1-9	Apostles' Creed
Jan 28	Susan	Carolyne	Mt 20:1-16	Apostles' Creed
Feb 4	Minae	Trisha	Lk 8:4-15	Apostles' Creed
Feb 11	Cherri	Susan	Lk 18:31-43	1st Commandment
Feb 18	Amanda	Kathy	Mt 4:1-11	1st - 2nd Commandments
Feb 25	Susan	Carolyne	Mt 15:21-28	1st - 3rd Commandments
Mar 4	Minae	Trisha	Lk 11:14-28	1st - 4th Commandments
Mar 11	Cherri	Susan	Jn 6:1-15	1st - 5th Commandments
Mar 18	Amanda	Kathy	Jn 8:46-59	1st - 6th Commandments
Mar 25	Susan	Carolyne	Jn 12:12-19	1st - 7th Commandments
Apr 1	<i>No Class – Easter Breakfast</i>			
Apr 8	Cherri	Susan	Jn 20:19-31	1st - 8th Commandments
Apr 15	Amanda	Kathy	Jn 10:11-16	1st - 9th Commandments
Apr 22	Susan	Carolyne	Jn 16:16-22	1st - 10th Commandments
Apr 29	Amanda	Kathy	Jn 16:5-15	Morning Prayer
May 6	Minae	Trisha	Jn 16:23-30	Morning Prayer
May 13	Cherri	Susan	Mk 16:14-20	Morning Prayer
May 20	Amanda	Kathy	Jn 14:23-31	Morning Prayer
May 27	Susan	Carolyne	Jn 3:1-15	Morning Prayer

Assistants: Amanda Bauch, Susan Hanley, Minae Hayashi, Trisha LaLumondier, Kathy Meyers, Cherri Walker, and Carolyne Willis (please arrange for a replacement if you cannot assist)