

Fall 2023

Session 1 September 3, 2023 <i>Proper 17</i> Exodus 3:1–15	Youth will explore God’s name and reflect on their identities in relationship to God.
Session 2 September 10, 2023 <i>Proper 18</i> Matthew 18:15–20	Youth will compare personal experience and faith claims that God works through us to bring reconciliation at times of conflict.
Session 3 September 17, 2023 <i>Proper 19</i> Matthew 18:21–35	Youth will celebrate God’s great forgiveness and the freedom they receive in forgiving others.
Session 4 September 24, 2023 <i>Proper 20</i> Matthew 20:1–16	Youth will explore the scandalous generosity of God’s grace that exceeds mere fairness.
Session 5 October 1, 2023 <i>Proper 21</i> Matthew 21:23–32	Youth will consider the authority of God’s call in comparison to the other voices they listen to and follow.
Session 6 October 8, 2023 <i>Proper 22</i> Matthew 21:33–46	Youth will place themselves in the parable of the Wicked Tenants and discover ways in which we continue to reject Jesus today.
Session 7 October 15, 2023 <i>Proper 23</i> Matthew 22:1–14	Youth will wonder about the connection between wearing the garment of Christian service and faithful response to God’s grace.
Session 8 October 22, 2023 <i>Proper 24</i> 1 Thessalonians 1:1–10	Youth will explore what it is to imitate Christ and love what God loves.
Session 9 October 29, 2023 <i>Proper 25</i>	Youth will connect in personal ways with the love of God and God’s call to continually reorient our lives toward loving others.

<p>Matthew 22:34–46</p>	
<p>Session 10 November 5, 2023 <i>Proper 26</i> Matthew 23:1–12</p>	<p>Youth will hear God’s call to live a life of humble service, where actions match words.</p>
<p>Session 11 November 12, 2023 <i>Proper 27</i> Matthew 25:1–13</p>	<p>Youth will identify examples of waiting patiently and hopefully, but not passively, for Christ’s return.</p>
<p>Session 12 November 19, 2023 <i>Proper 28</i> Matthew 25:14–30</p>	<p>Youth will discuss the claim that what we do or fail to do in the name of Christ shapes the world and our lives.</p>
<p>Session 13 November 26, 2023 <i>Reign of Christ</i> Matthew 25:31–46</p>	<p>Youth will see and commit to serving Christ in the messiness of life.</p>

Winter 2023–2024

Date	Session Goal
Session 1 December 3, 2023 <i>Advent 1 Year B</i> 1 Corinthians 1:3–9	Youth will claim their place among the Spirit-filled community that awaits Christ's coming.
Session 2 December 10, 2023 <i>Advent 2</i> Mark 1:1–8	Youth will look back to the prophets and Scriptures as the way forward to a future in Christ.
Session 3 December 17, 2023 <i>Advent 3</i> Isaiah 61:1–4, 8–11	Youth will imagine Isaiah's vision of restoration and hear God's call to help bring it to reality.
Session 4 December 24, 2023 <i>Advent 4</i> Luke 1:26–38	Youth will affirm that nothing is impossible with God, and learn to invite the Holy Spirit to work through them.
Session 5 December 31, 2023 <i>Christmas 1</i> Luke 2:22–40	Youth will show appreciation to the generations of the faithful that continue to bless them on their journey.
Session 6 January 7, 2024 <i>Baptism of the Lord</i> Genesis 1:1–5	Youth will recognize that the creation story reveals the character of God who brings order out of chaos.
Session 7 January 14, 2024 <i>Epiphany 2</i> 1 Samuel 3:1–10 (11–20)	Youth will discover how God names and claims them in today's world.
Session 8 January 21, 2024 <i>Epiphany 3</i> Mark 1:14–20	Youth will evaluate the belief that the reign of God has already come and we are called to participate in it.

<p>Session 9 January 28, 2024 <i>Epiphany 4</i> Psalm 111</p>	<p>Youth will cultivate a sense of God’s presence at any time and in any place.</p>
<p>Session 10 February 4, 2024 <i>Epiphany 5</i> Mark 1:29–39</p>	<p>Following Christ’s example, youth will be challenged to express what they believe in words and deeds.</p>
<p>Session 11 February 11, 2024 <i>Transfiguration</i> Mark 9:2–9</p>	<p>Youth will discover that the Jesus they experience on the mountaintop also calls them to proclaim Christ in the valleys.</p>
<p>Session 12 February 18, 2024 <i>Lent 1</i> Genesis 9:8–17</p>	<p>Youth will explore aspects of covenantal relationship and God’s steadfast relationship in the midst of human rebellion.</p>
<p>Session 13 February 25, 2024 <i>Lent 2</i> Mark 8:31–38</p>	<p>Youth will be challenged to answer the call to follow Jesus, embracing suffering and taking up the cross.</p>

Spring 2024

Date	Session Goal
Session 1 March 3, 2024 <i>Lent 3</i> Exodus 20:1–17	Youth will claim the Ten Commandments as God’s gift for honoring God and preserving community.
Session 2 March 10, 2024 <i>Lent 4</i> Ephesians 2:1–10	Youth will consider ways they can respond to God’s grace by sharing it with others.
Session 3 March 17, 2024 <i>Lent 5</i> Jeremiah 31:31–34	Youth will affirm that, despite all the ways in which we have broken faith with God, God will not break faith with us.
Session 4 March 24, 2024 <i>Palm/Passion</i> Mark 11:1–11; 15:1–39	Youth will place themselves in the story to discover what following Jesus might mean.
Session 5 March 31, 2024 <i>Easter</i> Mark 16:1–8	Youth will consider the silence of the women at the tomb and their own reaction to God’s call in the resurrection story.
Session 6 April 7, 2024 <i>Easter 2</i> Acts 4:32–35	Youth will be challenged to commit their time, talent, and treasure to the service of the grace-filled community.
Session 7 April 14, 2024 <i>Easter 3</i> Luke 24:36b–48	Youth will name specific ways God calls us out of confusion and fear to declare the presence and power of the risen Christ.
Session 8 April 21, 2024 <i>Easter 4</i> John 10:11–18	Youth will explore their call to listen to the good shepherd’s voice in response to the good shepherd’s willingness to lay down his life for the sheep.

<p>Session 9 April 28, 2024 <i>Easter 5</i> Acts 8:26–40</p>	<p>Youth will discover that God powerfully calls us to places and to people we would not expect.</p>
<p>Session 10 May 5, 2024 <i>Easter 6</i> Acts 10:44–48</p>	<p>Youth will discover that the Holy Spirit challenges us to break down barriers in proclaiming the gospel.</p>
<p>Session 11 May 12, 2024 <i>Easter 7</i> Acts 1:15–17, 21–26</p>	<p>Youth will envision prayer with God as a way to guide the community of faith or themselves through uncertain times.</p>
<p>Session 12 May 19, 2024 <i>Pentecost</i> Acts 2:1–21</p>	<p>Youth will explore how the gift of the Holy Spirit empowered the early church and ponder how it empowers the church today.</p>
<p>Session 13 May 26, 2024 <i>Trinity</i> Isaiah 6:1–8</p>	<p>Youth will hear God’s claim on Isaiah’s life and consider God’s claim on their lives.</p>

Summer 2024

Date	Session Goal
Session 1 June 2, 2024 <i>Proper 4</i> Mark 2:23—3:6	Youth will ponder how Jesus’ teaching about the Sabbath might shape the rhythm of their lives.
Session 2 June 9, 2024 <i>Proper 5</i> Mark 3:20–35	Youth will recognize the configurations of power in the world that prevent them from experiencing and reflecting God’s love.
Session 3 June 16, 2024 <i>Proper 6</i> Mark 4:26–34	Youth will explore and proclaim the kingdom of God through parables.
Session 4 June 23, 2024 <i>Proper 7</i> Mark 4:35–41	Youth will proclaim God’s power over chaos in the world and fear in their lives.
Session 5 June 30, 2024 <i>Proper 8</i> Mark 5:21–43	Youth will claim God’s promises of healing and hope that come through faith in Jesus Christ.
Session 6 July 7, 2024 <i>Proper 9</i> Mark 6:1–13	Youth will experience the relationship between faith and responsibility in following Jesus.
Session 7 July 14, 2024 <i>Proper 10</i> Mark 6:14–29	Youth will connect John’s willingness to face the evils of political power to their own calls to confront evil today.
Session 8 July 21, 2024 <i>Proper 11</i> Mark 6:30–34, 53–56	Youth will differentiate between the meanings of curing and healing illness as demonstrated in Jesus’ ministry to aid in their understanding of Jesus’ ministry for them today.

<p>Session 9 July 28, 2024 <i>Proper 12</i> John 6:1–21</p>	<p>Youth will explore the mystery of Jesus’ feeding miracle and its meaning for their faith and discipleship.</p>
<p>Session 10 August 4, 2024 <i>Proper 13</i> Ephesians 4:1–16</p>	<p>Youth will explore the relationship between unity and diversity in the body of Christ.</p>
<p>Session 11 August 11, 2024 <i>Proper 14</i> Ephesians 4:25–5:2</p>	<p>Youth will investigate ways to live faithfully following the example of Jesus Christ.</p>
<p>Session 12 August 18, 2024 <i>Proper 15</i> Ephesians 5:15–20</p>	<p>Youth will explore the joy of Spirit-filled living.</p>
<p>Session 13 August 25, 2024 <i>Proper 16</i> Ephesians 6:10–20</p>	<p>Youth will learn from the Letter to the Ephesians what resources God provides for them to live faithfully.</p>