

Curriculum 2011 - 12

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| 3 year olds | 'Learning about church' is the main theme with our young friends. They can tour the church; check out the roles of ministers and congregants, read wonderful stories, build things, enjoy lots of arts & crafts and form a great community. |
| Pre-K | Being in preschool it often becomes apparent that there is a larger circle out there. The 'Me and My World' theme engages children to think about differences in abilities, living arrangements, backgrounds etc. through a range of methods from painting and drama, to stories and cooking the little ones have a chance to explore their world. |
| Kindergarten | The world is a very big place with many different religions. Our children will investigate various stories from the bible and other sacred texts through arts & crafts; drama; building; cooking and much more. |
| 1 st Grade | Lots of hands-on activities like making dioramas', checking out religious symbols, build an ark, act out stories and much more will show the children that there is so much to learn in the world. The bible and other text will guide them in their exploration |
| 2 nd Grade | <p>Nothing - Something - Everything - What is God?</p> <p><u>Nothing</u> – Buddhist version of theism – shunyata – nothingness...no sense of separate self</p> <p><u>Something</u> – Islam – surrendering...god is something/someone out there</p> <p><u>Everything</u> – Hinduism – polytheism...avatars...the many faces and embodiments of the divine...</p> <p>The investigation will take place through reading sacred texts; learning the history; tasting food; checking out art & culture and much more.</p> |
| 3 rd Grade | The Old Testament is the focal point for this age group. A general overview of an assortment of stories and how they might relate to the present time. Lots of fun activities are planned too; making a family crest; cooking; meditation etc. |
| 4 th Grade | The New Testament will be the investigation in this crowd. Why are some stories still relevant to so many people? What are the comparable stories in other faith? The kids will compose a rap-song, building a temple, create with stained-glass and see if they |

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| | can investigate some of the topics. |
| 5 th Grade & 6 th Grade | The fifth- and sixth- grade participants are invited to reflect on the qualities of their liberal faith, such as integrity, courage, and love, as tools they can use in living their lives and building their own beliefs. |
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In addition, all grades will have special 'Advent' lesson plans.

For 1st through 6th Grade dedicated 'Social Action' projects are planned {2nd Sunday of each month}.