6th / 7th Sunday School Calendar St. John’s Youth Ministry 2017-18

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| September 20173rd No Class (Labor Day)10th  Welcome and Getting to  Know You!17h Jr Fall Retreat – Games24th Beginnings: Creation |  October20171st Beginnings: Fall8th  Beginnings: Suffering15th  Beginnings: Flood22nd Beginnings: Tower of Babel29th Beginnings Rewind | November 20175th  Promise: Covenant 12th  Promise: Jacob and Esau19th Church in the World – No  Sunday School26th  Promise: Jacob to  Israel  |  December 20173rd Promise: 12 Sons 10th Promise: Joseph17th The Promise Rewind24th No Sunday School31st No Sunday School |
| January 20187th Freedom: Moses14th Freedom: Exodus21st Freedom: Wilderness28th Freedom:  Commandments  (Winter Retreat Weekend)  | February 20184th Freedom: Promised Land11th Freedom Rewind18th Kings and Prophets:  Judges 25th Kings and Prophets:  David   |  March 20184th Kings and Prophets:  Solomon’s Temple 11th Kings and Prophets:  Kingdoms18th Kings and Prophets:  Prophets25th Kings and Prophets  Rewind  | April 20181st No Sunday School  (Easter)8th Conquered: Babylon15th Episcopal Visitation – NO  CLASS22th Conquered: Diaspora 29th Conquered: Return |
|  May 20186th Conquered: Occupation13th Conquered: Caesar20th Jr. EYC Beach Trip - games27th  No Class (Memorial Day) | June 20183rd  Sundae Sunday |  Curriculum: Connect by Sparkhouse (see description on back) | 6th / 7th grade teachers:Bill%20Kessler%20-%20Page%20Primary[1]Candler TindallBill Kessler  |



Connect Curriculum Overview

At St. John’s, in 6th and 7th grade, we spend the two years doing an overview of the Bible! The goal of these classes is threefold: to review some of the Bible stories learned in childhood; to begin preparing for confirmation; and to encourage youth to think about how Scripture relates to the life of a 6th or 7th grader!

We use a curriculum called Connect (by Sparkhouse). Connect engages preteens in God’s big story through videos (with a set of quirky characters/hosts that show up weekly), Bible exploration, and hand-on projects.

The curriculum includes 10 total units that are covered in two years! Year A focuses on the Old Testament and year B focuses on the New Testament. Last year we covered Year B. For the 2017-18 school year we will cover Year A. In 2018-19 we will go back to Year B!

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(Video hosts!)

(Video Characters!)

Why Do We Use Connect at St. John’s?

We like Connect for because it offers:

* A Bible Centered Approach

Encourages kids to see the narrative arc of Scripture.

* It’s not “Little Kid” Sunday School

The curriculum was developed just for tweens; it blends quirky humor with solid theology.

* Engaging Videos

Each lesson begins with a video that blends humor and theology in a way that is accessible to preteens.

* A Foundation For Faith

Connect helps students make sense of the Bible, encourages them to ask questions, make connections, and reflect.