

Church of the Apostles Children’s Ministry: Spiritual Formation Map

This table includes our “scope and sequence” and is designed to show how the foundation is laid from the bottom up. We will use our final draft as a guide to find a curriculum of real substance that can be taught in ways that are engaging and fun for children.

A simplified definition of scope and sequence is this: Scope means the range of knowledge in an area or subject that will be covered and sequence means the order (timeline and grade level) in which that area will be covered.

Age/ Grade	Prayer Focus (related to theme for 1st- 5th)	Prayer memory (Related to theme for 1st-5th)	Theme for Bible Stories (All ages include units on Nativity and Holy Week events)	Bible Passages to take to memory (Related to theme for 1st-5th)	Bible skills	Anglican Formation	Missions
5th	Formation of Christ within each individual; missions. Discipleship: pray for others to know Christ	Rev. 4:8 Holy, holy, holy ... Rev 4:11 "You are worthy ... to receive glory Rev 5:5-10 "You are worthy ... you purchased men by your blood ... Mark10:45a "He Came to Serve" Philippians 2:14-16 – “Shine like Stars” Matthew 28: 19-20 – “Go and make disciples”	The unfolding of God's sovereign plan through the revelation of Christ, the expansion of his kingdom, and ultimate worship in heaven. (How do the Old and New Testament Relate to one another?)	4th Grade verses + Is 52:2-7 man of sorrows ... he was pierced for our transgressions ... Phil 2:5-11 ...being in very nature God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped ... <i>Review 1st-4th grade salvation doctrine verses + 3 new ones</i>	Inductive Bible Study <i>(Review of 3rd-4th grade skills)</i>	Study for understanding Baptism Study for understanding the Basics of Liturgical Calendar	Field trip to visit/serve with Mission Partners (service with parents) Serve in Morning worship Cross cultural ministry experience
4th	Intercession; formation of a prayer community (corporate prayer)	Eph 3:14-21 ...I pray that you ... may have the power to grasp how wide ... is the love of Christ.	How does God want us to relate to one another (given how He has related to us)?	1st John 4:19-21 We love because he first loved us..... anyone who does not love his brother ... does not love God John 13:34-35 A new command I give you: Love one another. 1 Cor. 13:4-8a Love is patient, love is kind... Luke 6:27-36 But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies... Ephesians 3:14-21 For this reason I kneel before the Father...I pray...he may strengthen you with power...so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith...Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine... Matt 25:34-40 Parable of the sheep and the goats <i>Review 1-3rd grade salvation doctrine verses + 4 new ones</i>	History of Bible Authors Learn the genre of each book <i>(Review 3rd grade skills)</i>	Study for understanding the Nicene and Apostles Creed	Field trip to visit/serve with Mission Partners (service with parents) Serve in Morning worship
3rd	Quiet time prayers. Free prayer & conversational prayer	Ps 51: 1-4, 10 David's prayer of confession	What does it mean to have a personal relationship with God? Surrendering	Psalm 139: 1-4, 13-14, 23-24 Is 40:28-31 eagle's wings <i>10 Commandments (Deut 5:7-21)</i> <i>Psalms 51:1-4,10</i> Rom 8:31-39 [nothing] will be able to separate us from the love of Christ ... <i>Review 1st-2nd grade salvation doctrine verses + 6 new ones</i>	Be able to find any book of the Bible or any specific verse.	Understand basic components of Anglican service found in the Gathering, Word, Response to the Word, Sending	Field trip to visit/serve with Mission Partners (service with parents) Serve in Morning worship

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2nd	Learn a variety of prayers	Ps. 100 Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth ...	Our Response to God: What does God want us to do?	Mk 12:28-31 Love the Lord your God with all your heart ... [and] your neighbor as yourself Psalm 100 Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth...for the Lord is good and his love endures forever, Ten Commandments <i>Review 1st grade salvation doctrine verses +3 new ones</i>	Be able to find Genesis, Revelation, Psalms & Gospels <i>(Review 1st grade skills)</i>	Memorize Apostles Creed	Support Local Missions with Offering
1st	Praise prayers	Review Psalm 23 & The Lord's Prayer	God's Character: What is God like?	Ps. 103:8-13 The Lord is compassionate & gracious...slow to anger Ps. 139:1-4 Lord, You have searched me and know me... <i>Learn 15 salvation doctrine verses (9 more that build on those previous 6 learned (Rom 6:23, Rom 5:8, John 14:6)</i>	Learn books of the Bible in order through song	Discuss for understanding Holy Communion	Support Local Missions with Offering
K	Learn "Thank you" prayers, "Please" prayers, and "I'm sorry" prayers	Same as 4s + The Lord's Prayer and review Psalm 23	Ten Commandments, David & Jonathan, early life of Christ, parables, unit study on Peter, Grand narrative	Review 4s + phrases of the 10 Commandments Luke 2:10-14 4 previous + 2 more salvation doctrine verses: Philippians 2:10- 11, Every knee should bow...	Learn that the Bible is God's word and that Bible stories are true	3s + Apostles Creed	Support Local Missions with Offering
4s		Same as 3s + Psalm 23	Joseph, Moses, David, Miracles, Jesus the Good Shepherd, early church	Review 3s Josh 1:9 Be strong and courageous Do unto Others, Matt 7:12 phrases of 10 Commandments Luke 2:10 ... a Savior has been born to you 4 salvation doctrine verses (John 3:16, Rom 3:23, 1 Cor. 15:3, Acts 16:31)			Support Local Missions with Offering
3s		Same as 2s + Teachers Model and Explain "I'm Sorry Prayers" Teachers Pray for group and encourage children to share prayers	Creation, Noah, Abraham, Miracles, Zaccheus, Paul & Silas	Review 2s + 4 salvation doctrine verses (John 3:16, Rom 3:23, 1 Cor. 15:3, Acts 16:31) Is anything too hard for the Lord? Gen 18:14 Nothing is impossible with God. Luke 1:37 Birth of Christ, Luke 10-14			Sing Doxology
2s		Comfort Prayer: Ps 56:3-4 When I am afraid, I will trust in You... Table Prayers: Lord We Thank You Song God is great. God is Good Teachers Model "Please and Thank you" prayers	Creation, Noah, Abraham, Miracles, Little children, Good Samaritan	2 salvation doctrine verses (John 3:16a Matt 28:6) & 10 other verses (e.g. Trust in the Lord with all your heart)			

Our Children's Ministry is sustained by **love** - the sacrificial love of volunteers who make the weekly commitment needed for true discipleship to take place.

We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us. (1 Thessalonians 2:8)