

Grace Episcopal Church - Overall Faith Formation Plan		
	Semester 1	Semester 2
7th & 8th grades		
Year 1	Fellowship	Scripture
Year 2	Fellowship	Scripture
9th - 12th grades		
Year 1	Christian Faith	Living out our Baptismal Covenant
Year 2	Liturgy	Service
Year 3	Christian Faith	Living out our Baptismal Covenant
Year 4	Liturgy	Service

Core Competencies

SCRIPTURE: Old Testament (miracles, creation, Exodus, Noah, Job, stories, Psalms, Isaiah and predictions of Messiah), **New Testament** (Gospel - sequence, themes, and authors; parables, miracles, the Passion, Jesus' teaching - beatitudes, golden rule, Lord's Prayer, and new covenant; mysteries)

CHRISTIAN FAITH: Episcopal (specific beliefs of the Episcopal Church, structure of our church, Confirmation preparation), **concept of faith/belief & how to strengthen, church history , Nicene Creed, Trinity, Jesus, feel presence of the Holy Spirit, forgiven, connected to God, equipped to fil up when life gets hard, feel God's love, longing to return to God.**

LITURGY: Worship, seasons/liturgical year, symbols/gestures/colors, objects of liturgy (chalice, paten, etc), **components of the service** (Liturgy of the Word, creed, intercessions, confession, gifts, peace, Eucharist), **Why we do what we do as Episcopalians** - kneel, Rite I & II, sing, Book of Common Prayer (derives from the Bible, Pastoral offices), **sacraments, lectionary.**

LIVING OUT OUR BAPTISMAL COVENANT: Commitment (seek out church community, attend worship, show up, commit selves to Christ), **inquiry** (take risks, feeling ok with questions that have no answers, how to be in their hearts instead of their heads, how does the knowledge imparted relate to their own lives), **discernment** (a moral compass based on our faith, code of behavior, integrity, strength, guidance, well-rounded), **spiritual disciples** (gratitude, prayer, meditation, forgiveness, witness) , **practice** (good stewardship of resources: environment, church, creation, money; do social justice, confident to live their faith, repentance, obedience, loving our neighbors as ourselves)

SERVICE: Challenge to do something, sense of purpose, belief/confidence that they are capable of making a difference, passion/compassion

FELLOWSHIP: Hospitality, acceptance, inclusivity, joy, humor, fun, feel heard

2011-2012 Faith Formation Plan - Year 1

Month	Event	Topic/Focus	Sub-topic	Topic/Focus	Sub-topic
		Junior High		High School	
Aug. 28	Fall Kick-off				
Sept. 11	Start of youth group	Welcome back		Welcome back	
18	Youth Group	Fellowship	Hospitality	Christian Faith	Episcopal: Beliefs
25	Youth Group	Fellowship	Acceptance	Christian Faith	Episcopal: Structure
Oct					
2	Youth Group	Fellowship	Inclusivity	Christian Faith	Episcopal: Confirmation preparation
9	Youth Group	Fellowship	Joy	Christian Faith	How to strengthen faith and belief
16	Youth Group	Fellowship	Humor	Christian Faith	Church history
23	Youth Group	Fellowship	Fun	Christian Faith	Nicene Creed
30	Youth Group	Fellowship	Feel heard	Christian Faith	Trinity
Nov					
6	30-Hour Famine				
13	Youth Group	Fellowship	Healthy conflict resolution	Christian Faith	Jesus
20	Youth Group	Fellowship	Accountability	Christian Faith	Presence of the Holy Spirit
Dec					
4	Youth Group	Fellowship	Care for each other (when one is missing, sick, etc.)	Service Project	
11	Service Event	JR only service proj		No youth group	
Jan. 2012					
15	Fun Night (onsite)				
22	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Miracles	Baptismal Covenant	Commitment
29	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Creation, Exodus	Baptismal Covenant	Commitment
Feb					
5	Glide Memorial				
12	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Noah, Job	Baptismal Covenant	Inquiry
19	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Psalms	Baptismal Covenant	Inquiry
Feb. 22 - Ash Wed					
26	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Isaiah, prophecies of the Messiah	Baptismal Covenant	Inquiry
March					
4	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Gospels - sequence, theme, author	Baptismal Covenant	Discernment
11	Fun Night				
18	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Parables	Baptismal Covenant	Discernment
25	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Miracles	Baptismal Covenant	Discernment
April					
1	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Passion	Baptismal Covenant	Spiritual Disciplines
8	Easter				
15	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Jesus' teaching - Beatitudes, Golden Rule	Baptismal Covenant	Spiritual Disciplines
22	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Jesus' teaching - Lord's Prayer, New covenant	Baptismal Covenant	Spiritual Disciplines
29	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Mysteries	Baptismal Covenant	Practice
May					
5	Deanery Confirmation		10:00 AM		10:00 AM
5	Funyouth event after service				
19	Rummage Sale	Fundraiser		Fundraiser	
27	Memorial Day				

2012-2013 Faith Formation Plan - Year 2

Month	Event	Topic/Focus	Sub-topic	Topic/Focus	Sub-topic
		Junior High		High School	
Aug. 26	Fall Kick-off				
Sept. 9	Start of youth group	Welcome back		Welcome back	
16	Youth Group	Fellowship	Hospitality	Liturgy	Worship
23	Youth Group	Fellowship	Acceptance	Liturgy	Seasons/Liturgical year
30	Youth Group			Liturgy	Symbols/gestures/colors
Oct					
7	Youth Group	Fellowship	Inclusivity	Liturgy	Objects of liturgy
14	Youth Group	Fellowship	Joy	Liturgy	Components of the service
21	Youth Group	Fellowship	Humor	Liturgy	Components of the service
28	Youth Group	Fellowship	Fun	Liturgy	Why We What We Do as Episcopalians?
Nov					
4	30-Hour Famine				
11	Youth Group	Fellowship	Feel Heard	Liturgy	Why We What We Do as Episcopalians?
18	Youth Group	Fellowship		Liturgy	Lectionary
Dec					
2	Youth Group	Fellowship		Service Project	
9	Service Event	JR only service proj		No youth group	
Jan. 2013					
13	Fun Night (onsite)				
20	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Miracles	Service	The Challenge to Do Something
27	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Creation, Exodus	Service	Character of a Servant: Sense of Purpose
Feb					
3	Glide Memorial				
10	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Noah, Job	Service	Character of a Servant: Belief/confidence in one's capability to make a difference
Feb. 13 - Ash Wed					
17	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Psalms	Service	Character of a Servant: Passion for service
24	Youth Group	Scripture	Old Testament: Isaiah, Prophecies	Service	Character of a Servant: Compassion for service
March					
3	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Gospels - sequence, theme, author	Service	Character of a Servant: Humility
10	Fun Night				
17	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Parables	Service	Character of a Servant: Christ-like (how Jesus was a servant)
24	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Miracles	Service	Serving different ethnic groups
31	Easter				
April					
7	Youth Group			Service	Serving the poor
14	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Passion	Service	Serving special needs populations
21	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Jesus' Teaching - Beatitudes, Golden Rule	Service	Serving the elderly
28	Youth Group	Scripture	New Testament: Jesus' Teaching - Lord's prayer, new covenant	Service	Serving the church
May					
4	Deanery Confirmation		10:00 AM		10:00 AM
4	Funyouth event after service				
18	Rummage Sale	Fundraiser		Fundraiser	
26	Memorial Day				