

2023-2024 THEMES

AUGUST: CREATIVITY



MEMORY VERSE: "We are God's creation. He created us to belong to Christ Jesus. Now we can do good works. Long ago God prepared these works for us to do." Ephesians 2:10, NIrV

WEEK ONE: Creation (Genesis 1-2:3)

Bottom Line: God created you so you can be creative.

WEEK TWO: We Are God's Creation

(Ephesians 2:10)

Bottom Line: God created you for a purpose.

WEEK THREE: Joseph and the Plan to Save Egypt (Genesis 40-41)

Bottom Line: You can use what God gave you to solve problems.

WEEK FOUR: The Tabernacle (Exodus 25-39, selected passages) Bottom Line: Use your imagination to honor God.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

Right from the start, we see God's immense creativity. Everything around us gives us a glimpse of our creative God. Jesus was creative with the way He taught and the miracles He performed. We reflect God's creativity to the world around us.

CORE INSIGHTS: Design, Identity

August 7: Blessing of the Backpacks August 9: Fall Session Adult Wed Night Programing Begins

SEPTEMBER: FRIENDSHIP



MEMORY VERSE: "A friend loves at all times. They are there to help when trouble comes." Proverbs 17:17, NIrV

WEEK ONE: Two People Are Better Than One (Ecclesiastes 4:9-12)

Bottom Line: Choose your friends carefully.

WEEK TWO: David and Mephibosheth (1 Samuel 19-20; 2 Samuel 9)

Bottom Line: Friends keep their promises.

WEEK THREE: Barnabas and Saul (Acts 9:26-30)

Bottom Line: Friends stand up for one another.

> September 13: Community Dinner September 22: Parents Night Out September 30: Pumpkin Delivery

WEEK FOUR: Forgive One Another (Colossians 3:13)

Bottom Line: Friends forgive one another.

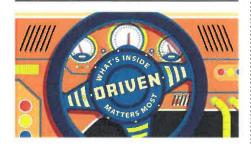
SERIES DESCRIPTION

God created us for community. Jesus showed us the greatest example of this. With His words, actions, and love, Jesus made people feel like they belonged. We reflect Jesus' love best when we treat one another with friendship.

CORE INSIGHTS: Community,

Compassion

OCTOBER: INTEGRITY



MEMORY VERSE: "Anyone who lives without blame walks safely. But anyone who takes a crooked path will get caught."

Proverbs 10:9, NIrV

WEEK ONE: A Tree and Its Fruit (Luke 6:43-45)

Bottom Line: Be truthful with your whole life.

WEEK TWO: Naaman and Elisha's Servant

Bottom Line: When you're not truthful, you lose trust.

WEEK THREE: Daniel's Integrity with Food (Daniel 1)

Bottom Line: Do what's right wherever you are.

WEEK FOUR: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego (Daniel 3)

Bottom Line: When you do what's right, others can see God.

WEEK FIVE: Think About These Things (Philippians 4:8)

Bottom Line: Focus on what's true.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

Because we know that God is good, we can live life with integrity. Who we are in private should match who we are in public. When we trust in God, we can be truthful in whatever we say and do.

CORE INSIGHTS: Transformation, Community

October: Pumpkin Patch open all month

October 25: Fall Festival



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NOVEMBER: GRATITUDE



MEMORY VERSE: "Give thanks to the Lord, because he is good. His faithful love continues forever."

Psalm 136:1, NIrV

Community Dinner this month
November 12: Acolyte Training 9:45 AM

WEEK ONE: Give Thanks No Matter What Happens (1 Thessalonians 5:18) Boftom Line: You always have something to be grateful for.

WEEK TWO: David Dances (2 Samuel 6:12b-22a)

Bottom Line: Celebrate what God has done.

WEEK THREE: Jesus Heals 10 Men

(Luke 17:11-19)

Bottom Line: Take time to say thank you.

WEEK FOUR: The Lord's Supper/Passover (1 Corinthians 11:23-26, Exodus 12)

Bottom Line: Make a habit of being grateful.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

God made a way to rescue you through Jesus' death and resurrection. When you remember what God has done for you, you can always find a way to be thankful—no matter what is happening around you.

CORE INSIGHTS: Connection, Truth

DECEMBER: CHRISTMAS



MEMORY VERSE: "A child will be born to us. A son will be given to us. He will rule over us. And he will be called Wonderful Adviser and Mighty God. He will also be called Father Who Lives Forever and Prince Who Brings Peace." Isaiah 9:6, NIrV **WEEK ONE:** Jesus Is Promised (Micah 5:2, Isaiah 9:6-7. Isaiah 7:14-15)

Bottom Line: You can have hope because God is faithful.

WEEK TWO: Gabriel Appears to Mary (Luke 1:26-56)

Bottom Line: You can have peace because God has a plan.

WEEK THREE: Jesus Is Born (Luke 2:1-7)

Bottom Line: You can have joy because
God sent Jesus.

WEEK FOUR: Shepherds and Angels (Luke 2:8-20)

Bottom Line: God's love is for everyone.

WEEK FIVE: Wise Men (Matthew 2:1-12) **Bottom Line:** Celebrate Jesus all year long.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

The best gift God ever gave was Jesus. Because of Jesus, it's possible for us to have a relationship with God that will last forever. As we remember the Christmas story, we take time to celebrate the greatest gift the world has ever known.

CORE INSIGHTS: Restoration,

Connection

December 6: Children's Christmas Play
December 9: Gingerbread Decorating Event/
Crismons

JANUARY: RESPONSIBILITY



MEMORY VERSE: "Suppose you can be trusted with something very little. Then you can also be trusted with something very large."

Luke 16:10a, NIrV

WEEK ONE: Greatest Commandment (Matthew 22:36-40)

Bottom Line: Love God and love others.

WEEK TWO: Bigger Barns

(Luke 12:13-21)

Bottom Line: Share what you have.

WEEK THREE: Ant and Sluggard

(Proverbs 6:6-8)

Bottom Line: Work hard.

WEEK FOUR: Use Words Wisely

(Ephesians 4:29)

Bottom Line: Use your words wisely.

SERIES DESCRIPTION:

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. That's why we should show responsibility. We should use our stuff the way God wants us to, follow through with what we need to do, and show others that we can be trusted with anything.

CORE INSIGHTS: Transformation, Truth

Community Dinner this month January 12: Parents Night Out

