

Faith Development & Confirmation: Persons with Intellectual Developmental Disabilities Overview United Methodist Church

Lesson	Theme	Scripture	Materials	Media for Explore	Suggested Activities	Amer Sign Language	Author(s)
1) God the Creator	God is the creator of the universe and all living things. We are called to be good stewards of God's creation.	Genesis 1:1-2	Bible, Hymn #147 All Things Bright & Beautiful; globe or map, tiny animals, trees, people; tape, paper, clay/sand		Word Find Form items God made with clay, playdoh or sand piles. Create design of something God made with frosting on cookie.	God Creates	Reverend Debbie Hills
2) We Are Made in God's Image	We are created in God's image, male female, people of all races and ages, people with and without disabilities.	Genesis 1:27-30;1 Corinthians 9: 24-27	Bible, Mirrors, Hymn #1; Straws, ping pong balls, balls, bowling "pins" Jello, Bowls		Look in Mirror and/or close eyes and trace your face. Wacky Olympics: Full of Wind (blow ping pong balls on table with straws) Bowling Jello juggler race to drop 2"x" juggler in bowl 20 feet away.	Create	Debby Newman, SS teacher
3) The People of Israel	Christians' common roots with Judaism and Islam. What are Blessings?	Genesis 12:1-3	Bible, large drawing of tree, stickers for tree or markers, Bingo Call Sheet; Hymn 431 Let There Be Peace on Earth	<u>Father Abraham had Many Sons</u> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5o_J30x6E6s	Dance (or hand jive) to music Add people to tree Bible Bingo	Tree or Roots	Reverend Amanda Larsen
4) The Bible and God's Love	The Bible tells us about God and God's love. It tells us how to live as Christians.	Psalms 107:1	Bible, Treasure Chest, Chocolate Gold Coins, scissors Hymn 402 Lord I Want to be a Christian in my Heart	<u>Bible in Chuck Knows Church #42</u> http://www.chuckknowschurch.com/archive/42the-bible	Word Find Make a Book Mark	Open Bible	Naomi Mitchum SS teacher
5) Trusting and thanking God	The Bible has stories to teach us to trust God. I.e., sickness, housing, jobs, bullies.	Exodus 2: 3-4 15:21	Bible, Sink, buckets, water, paper boats rocks; contact paper; scissors, Hymn #448 Go Down Moses	<u>Crossing Red Sea CKC #74</u> http://chuckknowschurch.com/archive/74crossing-red-sea	Float rocks in paper, plastic or carved soap boats Draw a basket Make coaster	Trust God	Reverend Amanda Larsen
6) <i>God revealed in Jesus 6B)Advent</i>	Introduce Jesus as part of Trinity. Jesus shows us how to love our neighbors.	John 4:9 Matthew 22:38-39	Bible, Cell Phone or camera or iPad, pencils, Hymn 408 The Gift of Love	Online Scavenger Hunt – Find pictures of Jesus at http://www.umc.org/news-and-media/photo-features	Scavenger Hunt in church to find Jesus, take turns taking pictures with friends in front of Jesus for a future collage - Triangle puzzle	I Love my neighbor	Reverend Amanda Larsen
7) <i>Baptism</i>	Baptism is a UM sacrament	Mark 1: 9-11	Bible, Fake fern, water, Shells, gems, Hymn 723 Shall we Gather at the River, Word Find	<u>Baptism #47 CKC</u> http://chuckknowschurch.com/archive/47baptism	Delegate person to dip fern in water and walk or wheel through class, sprinkling everyone; glue 3 gems onto a shell to remember Father, Son & Holy Spirit	Baptize	Reverend Donna Draeger

8) Communion 8b) World Communion Sunday see CKC 88 http://chuckknowschurch.com/archive/88world-communion-Sunday	With communion we open ourselves to Grace and God's divine love. When we share bread and cup, we remember Jesus is feeding, loving and forgiving us. It is a sacrament.	1 Corinthians 11: 23b-26	Bible, Chalice, Bread, grape juice, Hymn # 66 Holy Holy Holy Scissors, markers, contact paper	<u>Communion</u> in CKC #24 http://chuckknowschurch.com/archive/24communion <u>Communion</u> #27 CKC http://chuckknowschurch.com/archive/27the-bread-and-cup 8b) <u>World Communion Sunday</u>	Invite a deacon or pastor to serve communion and answer questions Make Coasters Do the Word Find	Come to the table and eat	Reverend Donna Draeger, Director of Spiritual Formation
9) Confirmation A commitment to believe in God	Confirmation reminds us of baptism vows. It prepares us to be church members.	Exodus 2: 1 – 17 (read 2: 1-4 in class)	Bible, Hymn 593 Here I am Lord Jar for each student or 10-12 ounce disposable glass; stickers to decorate container; stickers or picture cards of prayer, Bible, Pens.	<u>Confirmation</u> in CKC #43 http://www.chuckknowschurch.com/archive/43confirmation Or <u>Confirmation</u> CKC #76 http://www.chuckknowschurch.com/archive/76confirmation-part-2	Invite Pastor to answer Confirmation questions; schedule meetings for families of students who are on track for confirmation. Help students decorate jars. Have them write or draw a promise or select a picture card (pray, Bible, etc) they are committed to keep and put it in their jar.		Gail Hoffmann SS teacher Reverend Karen Evenson
10) Do Good and Serve God	What does confirmation mean for ME? Through God's grace, people with & w/o disabilities can witness and serve	1 Corinthians 12: 5 -7	Bible, Hymn 192, There's a Spirit in the Air; Bucket https://www.umcor.org/UMCOR/Relief-Supplies/Relief-Supply-Kits/Cleaning-beverage-and-snack .	<u>God's Miraculous Plan</u> by Nick Vucicik https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SYuVx2LU5QM (Teacher/Student permission to use)	Invite Pastor or church leader to learn of opportunities: ushers, greeters, readers, communion, chorus, meal packing, disaster buckets. Assemble UMCOR flood or Health bucket. Make sandwiches for local shelter https://www.umcor.org/UMCOR/Relief-Supplies/Relief-Supply-Kits/Cleaning	Here I am Lord	Deb Newman, NC Rep SS teacher
11) Attending church connects us to God	When we come to church and say the Lord's prayer, or a faith affirmation or vision statement, we show connection to others & God	Matthew 18:20 Hebrews 10:24-25a	Bible, Hymn 558 We are the Church, bells Bibles, pens, hymnals, candles, chalice, cookies, pics of people, prayer, flowers, cross	<u>Worship</u> Chuck Knows Church #37 http://www.chuckknowschurch.com/archive/37worship	Follow up on Chuck Knows Church with "fitness." Reach up to God Bow down to God Reach out and serve others Make bookmarks and do fill in the blank	We Are the Church or Lord's Prayer	Deb Newman, SS teacher
12) How to Keep in Relationship with God	As Christians we follow Spiritual Disciplines called means of grace to stay close to God – Bible study, pray worship, meditate, journal, mission, tithe, sacraments	James 4:8a	Bible, Faith We Sing 2129 I have Decided to Follow Jesus; pen, offering plate, bowl of water, chalice, bread, Upper Room, photo of people, model church, praying hands	Means of Grace Chuck Knows Church #86 http://www.chuckknowschurch.com/archive/86piety-and-mercy	Talk about objects on a table that help us keep in touch with God – or show objects on the table, have students cover eyes. Take some objects away. Who remember what's missing . Matching:		Reverend Debbie Hills