

FRIENDSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CURRICULUM

THE GOSPEL STORY BIBLE

Lesson	Date	Lesson Title/Main Point	Scripture	Pray about it!
Lesson 1 Story: 79	6/18	The Birth of Jesus Foretold This week we will be reading from Luke's Gospel, which was written from eye witness accounts. God sends the angel Gabriel to both Zechariah and Mary, with different outcomes	Luke Ch 1	Thank God for the way he used Mary and Elizabeth to work out his plan to send Jesus. Thank God for sending his son, Jesus, to earth to die on the cross for our sins.
Lesson 2 Story: 80	6/25	The Birth of Jesus This week we will review the Christmas story	Matt 1:18-2:15 Luke 2:1-21	Praise God for the way He is in control of everything. Thank God for sending Jesus.
Lesson 3 Story: 81	7/2	Jesus Presented in the Temple This week we will see that, even as a baby, God had Mary and Joseph follow the law in the way they had their son Jesus presented at temple	Matt 2:16-23 Luke 2:22-52	Ask God to help you be like Anna from the story, who prayed and worshiped God daily
Lesson 4 Story: 82	7/9	The Ministry of John the Baptist This week we will learn about John the Baptist, who ate locusts and honey. John told everyone they needed to turn from sin and follow God. He is the first person killed for following Jesus	Matt 3:1-10 14:1-12 Luke 3:1-20	Ask God to help you repent, or turn away from, your sin. Pray and ask God to forgive your sins. Thank God for salvation in Jesus.
Lesson 5 Story: 83	7/16	The Baptism of Jesus This week we will read about Jesus' baptism (by John), where we see all three persons in the Godhead: God the Father speaks, the Spirit descends as a dove and Jesus being baptized.	Matt 3: 11-17 John 1: 29-34	Confess your sins to God, and ask Him to forgive you and wash away your sins. Praise God for the amazing way He is 3 in 1.
Lesson 6 Story: 84	7/23	The Temptation of Jesus This week we will hear how Satan tempted Jesus in the wilderness.	Matt 4: 1-11	Praise Jesus for standing against the devil and living a perfect life in our place.
Lesson 7 Story: 85	9/3	The Wedding Feast This week we will learn about Jesus' first miracle, where he turned water in to wine.	John 2: 1-12	Think of some of the needs you and your family have. Present them to the Lord and ask Him to help you and your family.
Lesson 8 Story: 86	9/10	Jesus Cleanses the Temple Jesus cleaned out the money changers who did not belong in the temple and tells them he can rebuild the destroyed 'temple' in three days – pointing to his death and resurrection.	John 2: 12-25	Ask God to help you to believe in Jesus so you can become a part of God's temple too and have God live inside your heart.
Lesson 9 Story: 87	9/17	Nicodemus God names how he changes our hearts. Because God is holy, only those who are 'born again' can go to heaven to be with him	John 3: 1-21	Pray and ask God to help each person in your family look to Jesus on the cross so they can be forgiven.

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Less 11 Story: 89	10/1	The Miraculous Catch Jesus calls fishermen out of the water and tells them that from now on, they will be fishers of men (disciples).	Luke 5: 1-11	Ask God to help you follow Jesus and to tell everyone about him.
Less 12 Story: 90	10/8	Jesus Heals the Paralyzed Man Jesus forgives and heals a paralyzed man which angers the Jewish leaders who rejected Jesus and refused to believe him.	Luke 5: 17-26	Praise Jesus for dying on the cross for the crippled man's sins and for your sins too. Ask him to help you draw near to him.
Less 13 Story: 91	10/15	The Sermon on the Mount – The Beatitudes This week we will learn about the Beatitudes and how living for Jesus can touch the lives of people all around us.	Matt 4:23 – 5:16	Ask God to help you trust in Jesus and not yourself to get to heaven. Pray and ask God to be a light in your own home.
Less 14 Story: 92	10/22	The Sermon on the Mount – Love Your Enemies This week we will see how we should respond to people who treat us like enemies.	Matt 5:17-48	Ask God to help you forgive those who sin against you and not take revenge on them. Ask God to help you trust him and fill you with the Holy Spirit.
Less 15 Story: 93	10/29	The Lord's Prayer When we have faith in Christ, God adopts us into his family. It is then that we can call God Father. This week, we will learn the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray to God the Father.	Matt 6:1-18	Ask god to help you do good works for his glory and not for your own. Thank God for forgiving you and ask for his help in forgiving others.
Less 16 Story: 94	11/5	Treasure in Heaven The Bible tells us that God rewards us for the good things we do, so when we give our money away, we store up for ourselves treasures in heaven. This week we will learn about treasure in heaven.	Matt 6: 19-34	Thank God for providing you with food and clothing, and ask him to give you what you need. Ask God to help you not to worry but to trust him instead.
Less 17 Story: 95	11/12	The Wise & Foolish Builders This week we will learn that building our loves on God is like building our house on a solid foundation.	Matt 7:15-27	Ask God to help you obey God's Word so that you will be like the wise man in Jesus' story.
Less 18 Story: 96	11/19	The Four Soils Jesus tells the parable of the four soils to describe how different people react after hearing the Word of God.	Matt 13:1-23	Ask God to open your eyes and ears so that you will believe and place your faith in Jesus.

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Less 19 Story: 97	11/26	<p>The Hidden Treasure</p> <p>This week we will learn several more of Jesus' parables, including the parable about the treasure hidden in a field.</p>	Matt 13:1-46	Ask God to help you trust in Jesus so that you can be a part of his growing Kingdom. Ask God to help you love Jesus more than anything else in the whole world.
1	12/3	<p>Gabriel Visits Mary – Advent Series</p> <p>Gabriel's announcement to Mary fulfills the promise God made to send a savior for his people</p>	Isaiah 9:6-7 Luke 1:26-38	Thanks God the Father for sending his son Jesus at the perfect time so that we might have our sins forgiven and be welcomed in to the family of God.
2	12/10	<p>God Speaks to Joseph in a Dream – Advent Series</p> <p>God revealed to Joseph that Mary's baby was more than a boy. He was God come as a man, to save us from our sins.</p>	Isaiah 7:10-14 Matt 1:18-25	Thank God for his amazing plan to send his Son Jesus into the world. Thank God for giving Joseph the courage to marry Mary and adopt Jesus as his own son.
3	12/17	<p>The Angels Visit the Shepherds – Advent Series</p> <p>The host of angels announced the birth of the promised Messiah to the shepherds, saying the Good News of His birth was for all people</p>	Micah 5:1-2 Luke 2:8-20	Praise God for the birth of Jesus, our humble King, born in a stable. Thank God for protecting Jesus from Herod's evil plan.
4	12/24	<p>Three Wise Men and a Star – Advent Series</p> <p>Nothing can stop God's promised plan to send salvation through Jesus his son.</p>	Matt 2:1-15	Pray the words from Revelation: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" (shout – "AMEN!")
Less 20 Story: 98	12/31	<p>Jesus Calms the Storm</p> <p>Jesus can quiet the wind and the waves because he has supreme authority over all things.</p>	Mark 4:35-5:20 Luke 8:22-39	Ask God to help you trust him when you are in danger or are afraid. Ask God to help you trust in Jesus to rescue you from your sins.