

Date and Text	Session Goal
Fall 2019	
Session 1 September 1, 2019 Proper 17 Year C Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16	Based on the description of mutual love in Hebrews 13, adults will plan ways to model it.
Session 2 September 8, 2019 Proper 18 Luke 14:25–33	Heeding Jesus' call to discipleship, adults will evaluate their commitment to following Christ whatever the cost.
Session 3 September 15, 2019 Proper 19 Luke 15:1–10	Through exploring the parables of the Lost Sheep and Coin, adults will identify ways to welcome all people to their congregation.
Session 4 September 22, 2019 Proper 20 1 Timothy 2:1–7	Following the instructions in 1 Timothy 2, adults will commit to intercessory prayer for all people since Christ died for everyone.
Session 5 September 29, 2019 Proper 21 1 Timothy 6:6–19	Adults will identify ways in which knowing we have eternal life affects how we live today, based on 1 Timothy 6.
Session 6 October 6, 2019 Proper 22 2 Timothy 1:1–14	Adults will heed the call in 2 Timothy to remain faithful to Christ and the gospel even when they are discouraged.
Session 7 October 13, 2019 Proper 23 Luke 17:11–19	Adults will give thanks for God's goodness in their own lives as they reflect on the leper who gave thanks to Jesus.
Session 8 October 20, 2019 Proper 24 Luke 18:1–8	In studying Jesus' parable of the Persistent Widow, adults will commit to persistent prayer.
Session 9 October 27, 2019 Proper 25 Luke 18:9–14	Learning from the humble tax collector, adults will deepen trust in God's mercy rather than in their own achievements.
Session 10 November 3, 2019 Proper 26 Luke 19:1–10	Like Zacchaeus, adults will respond to the salvation that Jesus brings with repentance and practical action.
Session 11 November 10, 2019 Proper 27 2 Thessalonians 2:1–5, 13–17	Through learning about "the Day of the Lord," adults will find ways to communicate God's message of hope for current times.
Session 12 November 17, 2019 Proper 28 2 Thessalonians 3:6–13	Reading the advice given to the Thessalonians, adults will discover practices for living together as a community of faith.

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Session 13 November 24, 2019 Reign of Christ Colossians 1:11–20	Following the description of Christ in Colossians 1, adults will seek ways to practice reconciliation and to support peace.

Winter 2019-2020	
Session 1 December 1, 2019 Advent 1 Year A Romans 13:11–14	Adults will explore Paul’s message to put on Christ and develop ways to embrace a new kind of life.
Session 2 December 8, 2019 Advent 2 Isaiah 11:1–10	Adults will express visions of the peaceable kingdom following Isaiah’s radical vision of peace.
Session 3 December 15, 2019 Advent 3 Matthew 11:2–11	Adults will examine conflicting expectations for God’s promises and train their eyes and hearts to recognize the coming of God’s Messiah.
Session 4 December 22, 2019 Advent 4 Matthew 1:18–25	Adults will examine how Joseph displayed a new kind of righteousness and name ways to apply this in their lives.
Session 5 December 29, 2019 Christmas 1 Matthew 2:13–23	After delving into the story of the flight to Egypt, adults will be inspired to extend God’s care where people are suffering today.
Session 6 January 5, 2020 Christmas 2 John 1:(1–9) 10–18	Adults will reflect on God bringing light to the darkness and ways they can reflect the light of Christ.
Session 7 January 12, 2020 Baptism of the Lord Matthew 3:13–17	Adults will explore the baptism of Jesus and reaffirm their own baptismal identity and purpose.
Session 8 January 19, 2020 Epiphany 2 John 1:29–42	Adults will explore how John invited others to know Jesus and discover ways that they can be witnesses to the good news.
Session 9 January 26, 2020 Epiphany 3 1 Corinthians 1:10–18	Adults will consider Paul’s critique of divisions within the church and seek ways to be united in faith to those with whom they disagree.
Session 10 February 2, 2020 Epiphany 4 Matthew 5:1–12	Adults will explore the promises of the Beatitudes and affirm values and behaviors exemplified by them.
Session 11 February 9, 2020 Epiphany 5 Matthew 5:13–20	Adults will consider the metaphors of being salt and light for discipleship and commit to show the good works of faith.
Session 12 February 16, 2020 Epiphany 6 Deuteronomy 30:15–20	Heeding Moses’ words, adults will explore their decision to follow God’s commandments and identify principles for making faith-based decisions.

<p>Session 13 February 23, 2020 Transfiguration Matthew 17:1–9</p>	<p>In the transfiguration of Christ, adults will explore how Jesus is the Christ for them.</p>
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Spring 2020	
Session 1 March 1, 2020 Lent 1 Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7	In the creation story, adults will hear God’s commands and identify what these commands mean for their lives.
Session 2 March 8, 2020 Lent 2 John 3:1–17	Adults will hear Jesus’ invitation to be born anew and identify what this new life in Christ looks like for them.
Session 3 March 15, 2020 Lent 3 John 4:5–42	In Jesus’ encounter with the Samaritan woman, adults will affirm Jesus’ accepting love for all people and imagine how to witness to and accept others.
Session 4 March 22, 2020 Lent 4 1 Samuel 16:1–13	In Samuel’s anointing of David, adults will consider God’s choice of an unexpected leader and commit to supporting God’s leaders today.
Session 5 March 29, 2020 Lent 5 Ezekiel 37:1–14	After exploring Ezekiel’s vision of dry bones, adults will envision how God can bring new life in desolate times.
Session 6 April 5, 2020 Palm/Passion Matthew 21:1–11/27:11–54	In Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem and his approaching death, adults will identify the connection between Jesus and power in God’s kingdom.
Session 7 April 12, 2020 Easter Matthew 28:1–10	Discovering the empty tomb with the women, adults will plan how to make the resurrection known to others.
Session 8 April 19, 2020 Easter 2 Acts 2:14a, 22–32	Reflecting on Peter’s witness to the resurrected Christ, adults will imagine how they can be witnesses in their own lives.
Session 9 April 26, 2020 Easter 3 Luke 24:13–35	The disciples’ encounter with Jesus in Luke 24 will encourage adults to express how they experience Jesus to others.
Session 10 May 3, 2020 Easter 4 Acts 2:42–47	Seeing the blossoming Christian community in Acts will encourage adults to define what makes an authentic community of faith today.
Session 11 May 10, 2020 Easter 5 Acts 7:55–60	In Stephen’s witness and death, adults will be challenged to articulate both the difficulty and the necessity of forgiving others.
Session 12 May 17, 2020 Easter 6 John 14:15–21	Jesus’ promised Holy Spirit and his command to love will guide adults to discern how to live in the world.
Session 13 May 24, 2020 Easter 7 John 17:1–11	Adults will delve into the meaning Jesus’ prayer for the community of disciples and add their prayers to his.

<p>Session 14 May 31, 2020 Pentecost Acts 2:1–21</p>	<p>On Pentecost, adults will confront the creative power of the Spirit and practice ways to respond to that gift together.</p>
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Summer 2020	
Session 1 June 7, 2020 Trinity Matthew 28:16–20	Adults will examine the meaning of the Trinity and plan ways to witness to a Triune God.
Session 2 June 14, 2020 Proper 6 Romans 5:1–8	Based on Paul’s witness in Romans 5, adults will express their reliance on God for hope in times of suffering.
Session 3 June 21, 2020 Proper 7 Jeremiah 20:7–13	Like Jeremiah, adults will find ways to express their struggles in the life of faith and affirm God’s unfailing presence.
Session 4 June 28, 2020 Proper 8 Matthew 10:40–42	Adults will explore how to embody Christian compassionate welcome and identify ways to practice hospitality.
Session 5 July 5, 2020 Proper 9 Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30	Adults will explore the meaning of taking on the yoke of Jesus and commit to his vision of discipleship.
Session 6 July 12, 2020 Proper 10 Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23	Through the parable of the Sower, adults will commit to fruitful discipleship.
Session 7 July 19, 2020 Proper 11 Genesis 28:10–19a	Like Jacob, adults will recognize God’s presence in difficult situations and open themselves to new experiences of that presence.
Session 8 July 26, 2020 Proper 12 Romans 8:26–39	Adults will examine the powers that cause separation and affirm that nothing will prevail against God’s love.
Session 9 August 2, 2020 Proper 13 Matthew 14:13–21	In the feeding of the five thousand, adults will celebrate that everything comes from God and plan ways to be faithful disciples.
Session 10 August 9, 2020 Proper 14 Matthew 14:22–33	Just as Peter stepped out on troubled waters, adults will answer the call to step out in faith.
Session 11 August 16, 2020 Proper 15 Genesis 45:1–15	Adults will identify situations of conflict where God was at work to sustain them and identify steps toward reconciliation.
Session 12 August 23, 2020 Proper 16 Exodus 1:8–2:10	Through meeting Moses’ unlikely saviors, adults will respond creatively to God’s saving and blessing acts.

<p>Session 13 August 30, 2020 Proper 17 Exodus 3:1–15</p>	<p>Hearing about Moses' call, adults will seek ways to encounter the holy and discern new avenues of discipleship.</p>
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