

## Overview of the Year 1, Winter Quarter

### Session Dates, Titles, Scriptures, and Goals

The complete scope and sequence for Year 1 can be found at [www.pcusastore.com/GGGdownloads](http://www.pcusastore.com/GGGdownloads).

The winter quarter begins with Advent 1 and goes through Transfiguration Sunday, the Sunday before Lent begins.

Since the date of Easter changes every year, the number of Sundays after Epiphany and before Lent and after Easter will fluctuate from year to year. Additional sessions are provided, but check your calendar and plan accordingly. You may not use one or more sessions in one year, and you may use extra sessions in another year.

#### Year 1, Winter 1

God's Promise of Peace

Micah 5:2–5

Goal: To commit to be God's peacemakers.

#### Year 1, Winter 2

Surprised by Grace

Luke 1:5–25, 57–66

Goal: To recognize moments of God's surprising grace and share it with others.

#### Year 1, Winter 3

God's Gift of Love

Luke 2:1–7

Goal: To recognize God's surprising love in Jesus Christ.

#### Year 1, Winter 4

Rejoice and Ponder

Luke 2:8–20

Goal: To ponder and rejoice in the good news of Jesus' birth.

#### Year 1, Winter 5

Simeon and Anna Rejoice

Luke 2:22–40

Goal: To rejoice, like Simeon and Anna did, as we recognize God's promise in Jesus.

#### Year 1, Winter 6

It's Epiphany! Let's Worship Jesus!

Matthew 2:1–12

Goal: To explore Epiphany as a way to worship Jesus with the wise men.

#### Year 1, Winter 7

You Are My Beloved

Luke 3:1–22

Goal: To explore baptism as the beginning of our lives of faith.

#### Year 1, Winter 8

It's Tempting!

Luke 4:1–13

Goal: To learn that we can put our trust in God even when we are tested.

#### Year 1, Winter 9

Good News!

Luke 4:14–21

Goal: To reflect on the good news of Jesus' ministry and our call as disciples of Christ.

#### Year 1, Winter 10

Spreading the Good News

Luke 4:16–30

Goal: To discover ways that God's love turns expectations upside down.

#### Year 1, Winter 11

Follow Me

Luke 5:1–11, 27–28; 8:1–3

Goal: To identify ways God has called us to follow.

#### Year 1, Winter 12

Blessed Are . . .

Luke 6:17–26

Goal: To practice being a blessing by helping others.

#### Year 1, Winter 13

God's Way to Live

Luke 6:27–38

Goal: To practice God's way to live: loving, giving, and forgiving.

#### Year 1, Winter 14

Listen to Him

Luke 9:28–36

Goal: To listen to Jesus and to shine with his light.