

Week 6

Lessons for the week:

Monday: The Wise and Foolish Builders

Tuesday: Noah's Ark

Wednesday: The Fiery Furnace

Thursday: Parable of the Sower

Monday

9am-noon -Jesus Party/Breakfast at Independence Hall or Liberty Island (stay tuned for more details)

Noon -1:30 - Lunch on your own

1:30-2:30 – Routes and Travel to Supporting Church for School Supply Night

2:30-3:00 – Big Assembly

3:00-3:15 – Large Group Bible Lesson **(led by youth groups!)**

3:15-4:15 – Rotations **(led by youth groups!)**

4:15-5:30 – Movie

Tuesday & Wednesday Schedule

10am – Big Assembly (led by interns)

10:30-11:45 – Reading Class (taught by reading teachers)

11:45-12:30 – Lunch

12:30-12:45 – Large Group Bible Lesson **(led by youth groups!)**

12:45-1:00 – Small Group Review Time (led by interns)

1:00-2:00 - Rotations **(led by youth groups!)**:

2:00 – Ticket Time

Thursday

10:00-10:30 – Big Assembly

10:30-10:45 – Large Group Bible Lesson **(led by youth groups)**

10:45-11:00 – Small Group (led by interns)

11:00-noon- Rotations **(led by youth groups)**

Noon-12:30 – Lunch

12:30 – 1:00 – awards and ticket time

1:00 – Leave for Field Trip

<i>Red, Purple, and Green Rotation Schedule (K, 1st, and 2nd grade)</i>			
	1:00-1:20	1:20-1:40	1:40-2:00
Games 1	Red	Green	Purple
Memory Verse 1	Purple	Red	Green
Craft 1	Green	Purple	Red

<i>Orange, Blue, and Yellow Rotation Schedule (3rd, 4th, and 5th grade)</i>			
	1:00-1:20	1:20-1:40	1:40-2:00
Games 1	Orange	Yellow	Blue
Memory Verse 1	Blue	Orange	Yellow
Craft 1	Yellow	Blue	Orange

********The curriculum below is to be used at a starting point. Please teach the assigned lesson, but do not feel bound by the activities listed. Be creative and try to reinforce the lesson of the day into each rotation. ********

Monday, July 24th

Bible Lesson: The Wise and Foolish Builders

Scripture: Matthew 7:24-29

Large Group Bible Lesson (15 minutes): This is a fun story to act out! Use props and get creative. Clearly explain the difference between the wise and foolish builders. The wise man listened and obeyed. We can build our lives on Jesus, the Rock.

Rotations:

- **Craft** (20 minutes): This is a cute craft using construction paper and craft sticks...scroll to the bottom (<http://faithsprouts.blogspot.com/2015/01/jesus-teaches-me-to-be-wise.html>)



Or have children decorate special paperweights to celebrate life “built on the rock.” Using large stones (or smaller ones if preferred; even painted foam will do!), attach or write a paraphrased version of the story verses. Then allow students to paint, adorn, or otherwise decorate the rocks to keep and use as decoration reminders or paperweights.

- **Game** (20 minutes): Separate the children into several groups. Have races building or stacking different things using items such as cups, blocks, legos, or playing cards.
- **Memory Verse/Snack** (20 minutes):
 - Memory Verse: This is the last week for the children to recite the memory verses to the directors or ministers in order to go to a pizza party on Thursday. Have the children practice reciting and writing down their section of scripture today. Each color group has been challenged to learn a different section of scripture along with the summer memory verse of Matthew 5:38-42.
 - Snack: Cracker construction...build your own munch-able mansion with materials such as graham crackers, Saltine crackers, frosting/peanut butter, pretzels, and marshmallows.

Red	Matt 5:38-42, 5: 13-16
Purple	Matt 5: 38-42, 7:24-29
Green	Matt 5: 38-48
Orange	Matt 5:1-12, 5:38-42
Blue	Matt 7:1-12, 5:38-42
Yellow	Matt 5:38-42, 6:19-34

Tuesday, July 25th

Bible Story: Noah's Ark

Scripture: Genesis 6-9

Large Group Bible Lesson: Use costumes to perform a skit and be creative with the animals and the rainbow. Focus on how Noah was a wise man who listened to God and did what He asked him to do.

Rotations:

- **Craft** (20 minutes): Make a rainbow jar (instructions here: <http://www.playdoughtoplato.com/rainbow-jar-st-patricks-day/>) or another rainbow craft
- **Game** (20 minutes): Animal puzzles: divide the children in small groups and have them assemble animal puzzles. Compare what how they assembled puzzles to Noah assembling the ark.
- **Memory Verse/Snack** (20 minutes):
 - Memory Verse: Have the big buddies work in small groups with the children practicing the memory verses. The children can come out to the director to recite the verses at this time.
 - Snack: Animal crackers and skittles

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Wednesday, July 26th

Bible Lesson: The Fiery Furnace

Scripture: Daniel 3

Large Group Bible Lesson (15 minutes): Another fun story to act out with costumes and props!

Communicate to the children that these men heard the word of God and put it into practice in their lives, and we can do that too.

Rotations:

- **Craft** (20 minutes): Use half a paper plate and red, orange, and yellow tissue paper to look like fire, and cut out people (or draw stick figures) to represent Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.



- **Game** (20 minutes): Octopus Tag: The tagger in the middle will be known as the octopus. The octopus will stand in the middle of the floor and when they call out “go”, everyone will try to run from one side of the floor to the other. If someone is tagged, they will grab an arm of the tagger and act like an extension of their arm. As the octopus says go and people keep running back and forth, more people will be tagged and the arms of the octopus will keep getting bigger. The running back and forth and tagging will continue until one person is left standing. Then they are the winner and they can be the next octopus.
- **Memory Verse/Snack** (20 minutes):
 - Memory Verse: Have the big buddies work in small groups with the children practicing the memory verses. The children can come out to the director to recite the verses at this time.
 - Snack: Spicy Chips, Cinnamon Candy, or teddy graham S’mores

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Thursday, July 27th

Bible Lesson: Parable of the Sower

Scripture: Luke 8:4-15 or Mark 4:1-10

Large Group Bible Lesson (15 minutes): Demonstrate for the kids the 4 different kinds of soil. Choose some of the children to come on stage and participate. As this is the last day of VBS, really emphasize the importance of good soil in our lives and how we can all continue to grow. We should never stop growing in our spiritual lives.

Rotations:

- **Craft** (20 minutes): Have the children decorate a small pot (or cup) and plant some seeds to take home and watch grow. Talk about how plants grow and how we can grow spiritually. (some ideas here: <http://craftulate.com/2016/04/fast-growing-seeds-kids.html>)
- **Game** (20 minutes): Have relay races with the kids. But in each round, try to change the kind of surface/ability they have to run. For example, the first round they run in their shoes, next no shoes, next on their knees, next blind folded, etc.
- **Memory Verse/Snack** (20 minutes):
 - No Memory Verse Today! Enjoy the last day of VBS with the children
 - Snack: Dirt Cup with chocolate pudding with crushed Oreos and gummy worms.