

## **St. Andrew's Sunday School Learning Goals**

### **GRADES 7 - 12**

1. Bible study and faith exploration in conversation with Fr. Keith
2. To become less intimidated by the Bible. To view the Bible as the story of God's extraordinary love that overflowed into the creation of the world, the earth, and all that is in it, including humanity.
3. To see in the Bible the story of ordinary people who have tried, sometimes with glorious success and sometimes with sad failure, to respond to God's love.
4. To learn how God's Word and our liturgy convey the story of how God keeps trying to call us back to him, even when we have wandered and strayed.
5. To understand salvation history, how in the fullness of time, God came among us, love incarnate, in the person of Jesus Christ. To be able to tell the story of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.
6. To be excited about the story of the founding of the Church, the followers of Jesus in the world, proclaiming Christ's word and continuing his work, and to see themselves (and St. Andrew's) as the inheritors of the promise of God and the work of the disciples.
7. To more deeply reflect on and discuss moral issues from a Christian perspective, especially issues that arise from school, friends, alcohol, drugs, dating, and the conflicts, temptations, and issues common to teenagers and young adults.
8. Faith in the world: To learn that the Episcopal Church is a place, wherever you are in a time of need, you can go for support, guidance, and fellowship. To participate in the monthly service projects of the youth group and the youth mission trip, whenever possible.
9. To assist monthly in leadership roles during worship (reading, serving in the altar party, ushering...).
10. To assist monthly as a teacher's helper in one of the lower-grade classrooms.
11. To take a leadership role in Youth Sunday.