

# Rite 13—Scope and Sequence Year 2

## UNIT 1: ENCOUNTERING GOD (1-2 MONTHS)

These lessons explore where we find God.

- 1. Spirituality: Loving God in Scripture (2-3 meetings)
- 2. Spirituality: Seeking God in Scripture (2-3 meetings)
- 3. Society: Finding God in Others (3 meetings)

## UNIT 2: THINE IS THE KINGDOM (2-3 MONTHS)

These lessons explore power, privilege, and inclusion.

- 1. Self: Needs and Wants (2-3 meetings)
- 2. Society: Who Has the Power? (3 meetings)
- 3. Society: The Temptation of Power (3-4 meetings)
- 4. Society: My Role in the Kingdom (2-3 meetings)

### UNIT 3: I WILL, WITH GOD'S HELP (3 MONTHS)

This unit considers faith through spiritual practices and the creeds.

- 1. Spirituality: Reconciliation (2-3 meetings)
- 2. Spirituality: Seeking Healing (2-3 meetings)
- 3. Spirituality: Embracing the Creed (2-3 meetings)
- 4. Society: Hearing Our Faith (1-plus meetings; also works well to introduce leaders)
- 5. Self: Voicing My Faith (2 meetings)
- 6. Self: Meeting God in Doubt (2 meetings)

#### UNIT 4: WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE? II (1-3 MONTHS)

These lessons return to the idea of mission.

- 1. Society: Finding Mercy (2-3 meetings plus)
- 2. Spirituality: Choosing to Share (1-4 meetings)
- 3. Spirituality: Five Marks of Mission (2-3 meetings)

#### UNIT 5: MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE III (1-2 MONTHS)

These lessons explore our identity in relationship with all of God's creation.

- 1. Society: Part of God's World (2 meetings)
- 2. Self: Created to Be Creative (2 meetings)
- 3. Society: Thinking Abundantly About Creation (2 meetings)

RITE 13 CEREMONY PREPARATION (usually reserved for Year 2)



# 4Ward—Scope and Sequence Year 2

### UNIT 1 BIBLE STUDY (~1-2 MONTHS EACH)

The Bible studies can be done in any order. If James and Mark were used in Year One, use (Spirituality) **Colossians** and (Self) **1 John** this year. Colossians may be a helpful way of introducing or concluding the "Christ in Us" sequence, and 1 John may be helpful way of doing the same for the "Christ in Me" sequence. Be sure you have done Unit 1 from the first year before engaging with Colossians.

## UNIT 2 CHRIST IN US (~2 MONTHS)

These lessons explore how Christian community is shaped by who Jesus is and different possibilities for what it means to be part of a Christian community.

- 1. Spirituality: Christ Who Is Our Life—(2-3 meetings)
- 2. Spirituality: Being Episcopalian—(2-3 meetings; can be adapted for other denominations)
- 3. Society: Christ and the Culture—(2-3 meetings)

## UNIT 3 CHRIST IN ME (~3 MONTHS)

These lessons explore different aspects of living out our Christian identity and how it is shaped by who Jesus is. A consistent theme is that we are not self-sufficient: we need God and community to become who we truly are.

- 1. Self: Like Us in Every Respect—(2-3 meetings)
- 2. Self: Learning Our Limits—(2-3 meetings)
- 3. Self: Sin and Forgiveness—(3 meetings)
- 4. Self: Creatureliness and Interdependence—(1-2 meetings)
- 5. Self: Christ is All and in All—(2-3 meetings)

**4WARD CEREMONY** (usually reserved for Year 2)



# J2A—Scope and Sequence Year 2

## UNIT 1: SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES (3 MONTHS)

These lessons explore Christian practices and work well for Advent and Lent.

- 1. Spirituality: In God's Presence (2–3 meetings)
- 2. Spirituality: Contemplative Prayer (2 meetings)
- 3. Spirituality: Repentance and Fasting (2 meetings +)
- 4. Spirituality: Scripture Surprises (2-3 meetings)
- 5. Spirituality: Sacramentals (3 meetings)

#### UNIT 2: WHO AM I? PART II: MY PLACE IN GOD'S FAMILY (2-4 MONTHS)

These lessons consider who we are as individuals and in community.

- 1. Self: My Personality (2-4 meetings)
- 2. Self: Who I Am/Who I Will Be (2-3 meetings)
- 3. Self: Doubting Faithfully (2-3 meetings)
- 4. Society: Money and Food (2-4 meetings)
- 5. Society: Race and Racism (2-3 meetings)
- 6. Self: Gender (2 meetings)
- 7. Self: Sexuality (2 meetings)
- 8. Self: Consent (1 meeting)

### UNIT 3: ENJOYING AND CARING FOR GOD'S WORLD (2 MONTHS)

Creation care and finding God in nature is the focus of this unit.

- 1. Self: Noticing God (2-3 meetings)
- 2. Spirituality: Wonder in the Psalms (2–3 meetings)
- 3. Society: Justice and Creation (2–3 meetings)

#### UNIT 4: MOVING TOWARD MISSION II (2 MONTHS)

We explore our missional response to God's love in the world

- 1. Society: How Do I Love Thee? (2-3 meetings)
- 2. Society: Tourism, Pilgrimage, and Mission (2 meetings)
- 3. Self: Commissioned for Mission (2-3 meetings)
- 4. Spirituality: Mission: Possible (2 meetings)

#### **OTHER LESSONS**

Self: Responding to Tragedy (1–3 meetings)Society: Responding to Crisis (1–3 meetings)Spirituality: Responding to Catastrophe (1–3 meetings)J2A Pilgrimage (4 meetings plus pilgrimage, usually reserved for Year 2)