



Sunday Morning (10:00AM) & Wednesday Evening (6:00PM) Intergenerational Programming

Date and Lesson	Sunday School/Confirmation/Youth	Adult Forums/Congregational Activities
Sunday, December 20 Christmas Festival Worship	Spaghetti Dinner "Arts & Crafts Open House" Illustrate Christmas Eve Sermon	4:30PM Christmas Music Festival
Wednesday, December 23	No Peace-Full night	
Sunday, December 27 Mark 1: 1-20	No Sunday School/Confirmation/Youth/Adult programming	
Wednesday, December 30	No Peace-Full night	
Sunday, January 3 Mark 1:21-45	No Sunday School/Confirmation/Youth Programs	Adult Bible Study/Lenten Worship Planning
Wednesday, January 6	Epiphany Contemplative Mini Retreat , lead by Pastor Emily (Intergenerational)	
Sunday, January 10 Mark 2: 1-22	Connect-the-Dots (Step 1) - Environmental Stewardship forum/activities for all ages, lead by Heidi Ferris of Growing Green Hearts (more info on back).	
Wednesday, January 13	Connect-the-Dots (Step 2) - Study Matthew 16, act out story of electrical energy and explore vocation.	
Sunday, January 17 Mark 4:1-34	Jesus' Parables: "Build-a-Sunday" Intergenerational Study planned by Mike Stoffel, Cheryl Taylor, Pastor Emily & Rachel Brolin.	
Wednesday, January 20	Bell Choir rehearsal: Confirmation & High School Youth Connect-the-Dots (Step 4) - Middle School Youth & Adults: Use teamwork to study energy and the engineering design process, brainstorm "green" project ideas.	
Sunday, January 24 Mark 5: 21-43	Connect-the-Dots (Step 3) - Intergenerational hands-on forum about creation care, climate change, scripture, combustion and the "5 R's".	2016 Budget Meeting Silent Auction bidding starts
Sunday, January 24	Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser & Silent Auction 5:00PM-7:00PM	
Wednesday, January 27	Connect-the-Dots (Step 5): Discuss vocation and use strengths, green knowledge, creativity and problem solving to plan their green project, timeline and goals.	
Sunday, January 31 Mark 6:1-29	Jesus' Challenges: "Build-a-Sunday" Sunday School planned & lead by Confirmation & Youth	Annual Meeting
Wednesday, February 3	Bell Choir rehearsal: Confirmation & High School Youth Connect-the-Dots (Step 6) - Complete project together and create a video that shares creation care story.	
Sunday, February 7 Mark 8:27-9:8	Jesus Is Transfigured & Heads toward Jerusalem: "Build-a-Sunday" Intergenerational Study planned by David Kleppe, Melissa Weinhandl, Diane Moody, Sarah Kerbeschian, Annie Bonow, and Pastor Kjell.	
Wednesday, February 10 Mark 9: 30-37	Ash Wednesday 5:15 Dinner, 6:30 Worship, 7:00 Lenten Small Groups	

Connect-the-Dots™

Peace will be participating in the Connect-the-Dots program during January and February. This is designed to be an intergenerational program, where youth and adults work together to strengthen relationships, empower one another and grow in stewardship for all of God's creation. While laughing and playing together, people also end up naming God-given gifts, understanding interconnection of earth's systems, practicing engineering language and learning together from mistakes. We are excited for you to join this journey!



How does it work?

Rather than just a curriculum, Connect-the-Dots™ is an *experience* in blending Lutheran theology with climate science, community, and environmental stewardship. It works to break down the false dichotomy between faith and science. Each church moves through the 6 steps of Connect-the-Dots™. The first three steps teach creation care, systems & strengths, and our climate change. The last three steps empower people in introducing an environmental stewardship project for their church in which they plan it, build it and polish it. Participants are using the engineering design process to find a "green" need for their church and community, research it and match up their strengths to then create a solution. Examples include: creation care worship with a climate creation care message, investigating lighting for cost and energy savings, creating a biking and carpool system for Sundays, composting, making non-toxic cleaners, switching from Styrofoam to reusable mugs, etc.

"You're not just learning here, you're leading!"

Participants collect and share their stories of Connect-the-Dots™ green projects with photos, video, and social media. These stories are shared as they move through the 6 steps and in the end with a polished video. The participants must also understand vocation, teamwork, church policy and procedures in order to narrow their project choices and then follow through with their plan. Amidst this, they run smack dab into the worship planning team, a grounds committee, a peek at the church electricity bill, or visit to a council meeting. In these behind the scenes looks at change at church they will find lessons in policy, justice, advocacy, community and leadership.

Questions? Contact Pastor Emily at: emily@peaceofplymouth or 763.478.9406.