



Looking for a stand-alone Sunday School lesson to hand to a volunteer because your teacher just told you they're going to the beach and can't teach this week or you're worried about how behind your students might get if they miss a week or two and you don't want them to be lost when they return or so you don't feel like you must spend half of each session reviewing for those who missed the previous week. Here are suggestions from some of our favorite curriculum writers and publishers.

### **Awesome Adventures – Children**

Published by [Congregational Ministries Publishing](#) — denominational curriculum publisher of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) — the all-inclusive teacher's book includes 13 easy-to-use lesson plans, reproducible resource sheets, and "For the Home" pages. Photocopiable, take-home comic adventures that enable kids to make comic books of their own are also included! It can be purchased from the PCUSA store.

### **Sunday School Ideas: A Creative Concept for Summer – Children**

Looking for summer Sunday school ideas for your small church? Filled with hands-on service projects for kids, The Neighborhood might be the summer solution you are looking for! The Neighborhood is a concept, not a curriculum.

Each Sunday holds 3 unique elements:

- 1. Share:** Get to know someone from your congregation.
- 2. Pair:** Buddy-time. Pair an older youth with a younger student.
- 3. Care:** A mixed-age, practical service project or random act of kindness for your neighbors.

Check out [Sunday School Ideas: A Creative Concept For Summer](#) for more information.

### **Illustrated Ministry Mini Revolutions Curriculum Monthly Subscription – All Ages**

Mini Revolutions is an intergenerational, monthly, digital curriculum based on the Revised Common Lectionary. This mini curriculum leader's guide is two pages (one page front and back), can be used in various ministry settings, and can be easily shared with and prepared by volunteers — even on short notice.

Each week, Mini Revolutions selects one scripture from the weekly liturgical readings from the Revised Common Lectionary and provides discussion questions to help your group enter into the season's story. The activity, micro-practice, and prayer help each person embrace their own mini revolutions each week.

You can use Mini Revolutions as your traditional Sunday School curriculum, in a one-room Sunday School model with mixed ages, or in an intergenerational setting. You could also take the content and adapt it for youth ministry and other ministry programs and settings. To find out more or to purchase, check out [illustratedministry.com](http://illustratedministry.com).

#### **The Great Church Chill Out from Doubting Believer – All Ages**

Use passages from Psalms to help your people remember that we were not created to be anxious creatures, but to rejoice, revel, and rest in God's good creation. Five sessions of worship, outreach, and intergenerational faith formation will encourage your congregation to: **Settle Down, Laugh Out Loud, Shed Expectations, Take a Break, and Celebrate**. To find out more or purchase, check out [doubtingbeliever.com](http://doubtingbeliever.com).

#### **Growing in God's Love: A Bible Story Curriculum – Children**

Help the children in your church grow with the newest multi-age curriculum for children ages 5-10 based on the best-selling story Bible, Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible. This story Bible curriculum allows you to build your own library of units from the 35 units, which contain three to five sessions each.

Old and New Testament stories are featured in these 35 units. In the library listing, you'll find units that span larger stories, such as Abraham and Sarah's Big Family, The Exodus, Jesus: Beginnings, and A New Church. There are also units about particular people, such as Joshua, Queen Vashti and Queen Esther, and Paul. And finally, themed units, such as Brave Women and Men in the Old Testament, Tell Me about God, and Parables Jesus Told, help round out this curriculum. It can be purchased from the PCUSA store.

#### **Thoughtful Christian – All Ages**

[TheThoughtfulChristian.com](http://TheThoughtfulChristian.com) is an ecumenical site dedicated to helping Christians and seekers understand, share, practice, and be challenged in their faith. On TheThoughtfulChristian.com, you can browse and download individual and group studies; discover new books and authors from a variety of publishers; and stay informed about the issues Christians are facing in today's world.

Visitors who sign up for a free account will receive special offers and free monthly studies on current events. TheThoughtfulChristian.com also offers all-access subscriptions to downloadable group studies for adults and high-school youth.

#### **Wired Word – Adults**

**The Wired Word** adult Bible study curriculum is your ideal solution. In less than one hour per week, you can now prepare meaningful discussions for your adult Sunday school lessons or small group lessons that inspire your students and help them relate Scripture to their daily lives. Each lesson includes biblical commentary and discussion questions related to a topic in that week's news. Check out [thewiredword.com](http://thewiredword.com) to learn more.

**Follow Me: Biblical Practices for Faithful Living – All Ages**

This 36-unit curriculum is based on practices Jesus did and taught us to do as faithful followers. Written for people of all ages who wish to live out their faith, this new curriculum examines where these practices are found in the Bible and how they have been used in Christian faith then and now. Each component is four sessions and could be done in a single month. It can be purchased from the PCUSA store.

**Faith Lens – Youth**

These weekly Bible studies engage youth and young adults in connecting world events with the Bible, faith, and everyday life. They can be downloaded weekly from the [Evangelical Lutheran Church in America website](#).