

Name	Publisher/ Denomination	Foundation Statement	Content & Articulation	Teacher Support	Format	Ages	Cost/ Usability	Competency Areas
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Roman Catholic roots) www.cgusa.org	Using Jesus as a guide, God and the child have a unique relationship with one another; build upon joy, simplicity and contemplation.	It is rooted in the Bible, the liturgy of the church, and the educational principles of Maria Montessori. Materials focus on the life of Christ, parables and liturgical items in true to form child-friendly size.	Level I training is foundational to becoming attuned to the religious life of the child, the Bible, liturgy, the handmade materials, atrium, presentations preparing the catechist "album"	Children gather in an "atrium," a room prepared for them, which contains simple yet beautiful materials that they use and 'fall in love with God by myself'	Level I: 2-6years Level II: 6-9 years Level III: 9-12 years	Training for teachers is \$250-\$500. Home made materials UNDATED	C3, E3
Celebrate the Good News: Children's Chapel	Morehouse Education Resources (Episcopal) www.churchpublishing.org	Children's liturgy is children's play. Children do not want to be "consumers" of liturgy but co-creators, supported by enthusiastic adults	Lectionary based following the Gospel each week in which gathering, proclamation, response and pray	Leader's Guide step-by-step plan for worship that also includes ideas for exploring the lesson creatively or through "centers"	Chapel space designed for children, classroom or any space used for worship (20-40 minute sessions)	5-12 years	\$22.00 per quarter (Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer) DATED	C3, E3
Godly Play	Morehouse Education Resources (Episcopal) www.churchpublishing.org	To teach children the art of using religious language (parable, sacred story, silence & liturgical action) through wonder in a way that is playful and meaningful.	Montessori approach of presenting scripture – OT & NT, seasonal & liturgical stories	Teacher needs to be able to tell stories and allow for silence and child's response; Training helpful and available	Multi-sensory materials – child directed choices; chapel, church school, hospital or home use	Ages 3-11	\$24.95 per book \$2.95 Parent pages Pre-made wooden materials range from \$15-500+ REUSABLE	A3, C3, E3, F3
Living the Good News	Morehouse Education Res. (Episcopal) www.morehouseeducation.org/LivingTheGoodNews	Brings people together to discover and share God's word through learning, worship & everyday life	Lectionary based 30% Old Testament 70% New Testament Free downloadable extras by denomination (Good News & NRSV)	Teacher Guide with scriptural background; Clear lesson plan; take-home papers	Variety of learning styles and activities; Enhanced CD has handouts, music, art, on-line ideas	Nursery – Adult, including a multi-age component	Fall/Winter/Spring: \$25.00 Leader \$3.50 Child \$12.00 Posters \$16.50 CD	C3, E3, F3
Lesson Plans that Work	Episcopal Church (Episcopal) www.ecusa.anglican.org/109452_ENG_HTML.htm	Bible lessons are a guide to centering Christian education in the church & home	Lectionary Based (RCL), lessons usually follow Gospel (NRSV)	Simple plans with bible background, questions and activity	Usually one activity per lesson with supplemental suggestions	Younger & Older Elementary; Adult Intergenerational	\$5.50 Songbook DATED	C3, E3, F3
Rhythms of Grace	Morehouse Education Resources (Episcopal) www.churchpublishing.org	An experience of God's grace and unconditional love through joyful play and the sustenance of sacramental nurture. Together, we form a unique expression of the Body of Christ.	Lesson plans on OT & NT stories as well as seasonal themes. Can be used weekly or monthly in a non-traditional education or worship setting	Website with additional resources in addition to the lesson plans and getting started chapters	Each session explores the story at learning centers choosing from a variety of sensory and tactile activities adapted to each theme.	Varies – constructed to accommodate those who have special needs and their families	\$30.00 Book	C3, E3
Seasons of the Spirit (Encore)	Wood Lake Books, (Ecumenical) www.spiritseasons.com	Empower all ages to be transformed in Christ as they explore the Bible, worship, service and ministry	Lectionary & ecumenical using the Revised Common Lectionary (NRSV)	Complete lesson plans and extensive website support and chat-rooms	Multi-media, drama, music, stories, art, outreach & mission	All ages: Preschool - Adult	Annually: \$223 per level (web) \$279 (print) DATED	A3, B3, C3, E3, F3
SPARK	Augsburg-Fortress (ELCA) www.activatefaith.org	Spark empowers kids' creativity & imagination as they explore Scripture through exciting activities that reinforce the lessons.	Lectionary: 3 year cycle of RCL (NT) Classroom: 80 lessons over 2 years (OT/NT) Rotation: 8 workshop options (48 stories)	Leader's Guide (downloadable or print); on-line lesson prep videos	Multiple options: downloadable, print, subscription depending on articulation chosen	Age 2 – Grade 6	\$34.99 Rotation \$7.99 Leader \$4.99 Learner \$14.99 Pack \$12.99 DVD	C3, E3, F3
The Best of Whole People of God Online	Wood Lake Publishing (Independent) www.wholepeopleofgod.com	A simple, easy-to-use curriculum for your entire Christian Education family.	Lectionary based	Downloadable plans and Weekly Tip Newsletter	Materials for classrooms, worship, home	All ages	\$99 and up Annual subscription (Sept-August) on church size	C3, F3
Weaving God's Promises	Morehouse Education Resources (Episcopal) www.WeavingGodsPromises.org	An Episcopal Bible-based program rooted in the liturgical year with emphasis on worship, education and service as the threefold components of Christian living.	3-year Scope & Sequence of 36-47 lessons per year 25% OT	Complete, downloadable lesson plan with extensive teacher background and activities	Prayer, story, multiple activities according to age level, connections to Episcopal traditions and seasons	Ages 3-11 and suitable for multiple ages gathered together	Based on AWA: \$150 - \$499	A3, B3, C3, D3, E3, F3, G3
Journey to Adulthood	LeaderResources (Episcopal) www.leaderresources.org/j2a	Manhood & Womanhood are gifts from God. Adulthood must be earned. Rites of Passage are important; Pilgrimage is to seek God	44% NT 29% Liturgical	Huge amount of materials with lesson plans, liturgies, more; training recommended	Traditional classroom setting and youth group modules combined	Rite-13 (6-8th grade) J2A (9th-10th) YAC (11th-12th)	Downloadable UNDATED	A4, B4, C4, D4, F4, G4
reform	Sparkhouse / Augsburg Fortress (ELCA) www.wearesparkhouse.org/reform/	Youth encounter a question from the historic Christian faith through creative, provocative humor, illustrations and animation. (Created as a Confirmation resource, but has other potential)	Each question is presented in simple terms to encourage exploration and discovery. The DVD Set has 40 session videos. Each video is between 5-7 minutes in length.	Leader Guide has a theological background on the question presented and includes direction for the individual and group activities included in the Anti-Workbook.	DVD video is central with Anti-Workbook for student exploration	Middle School	\$49.99 DVD Set \$39.99 Leader Guide \$19.99- \$14.99 Anti-Workbook (1 per student)	A4, B4, C4, D4, F4
Confirm not Conform	Morehouse Education Resources (Episcopal) www.morehouseeducation.org		Classroom work, field trips, mentor relationships and challenges to take responsibility for understanding faith and its power. Youth discover their own voice as they confirm their beliefs. www.confirmnotconform.com		16 weeks Downloadable & DVDs	Youth	Based on ASA	CONFIRMATION A4, C4, D4, E4, F4, G4
I Will, With God's Help	Morehouse Education Resources (Episcopal) www.morehouseeducation.org		Built on the Baptismal Covenant in the Book of Common Prayer, includes reading the Gospel of Luke		6-12 weeks or adaptable for retreats	Grades 6- 12	Leader's Guide \$21.00 Youth Journal \$6.25 Adult Journal \$6.25 Mentor Guide \$6.96	CONFIRMATION C4, D4, E4, F4, G4
My Faith, My Life (Your Faith, Your Life for adults)	Jenifer Gamber Morehouse Publishing (Episcopal) www.morehouseeducation.org		Written for teens as they explore The Episcopal Church and prepare for Confirmation. Chapters include The Bible, Baptism, Church History, Prayer, Worship, The Episcopal Church and more. Supportive website www.myfaithmylife.org		Handbook for teens; active websites	Youth	Leader's Guide \$6 Downloadable Book \$16	CONFIRMATION A4, C4, D4, E4, F4
Education for Ministry	University of the South, Sewanee (Episcopal) www.sewanee.edu/EEM/index.htm	Every baptized person is called to ministry. EfM provides people with the education to carry out that ministry; discover how to respond to the call to Christian service.	Covers the basics of a theological education in the Old and New Testaments, church history, liturgy, and theology.	Mentor training available and necessary to register a group of 6-12 students	Students meet regularly, usually once a week, in seminars with comprehensive materials	Adult	Students sign up one year at a time for this four-year program. \$340 per person, per year UNDA TED	A5, B5, C5, D5, E5, F5, G5
via media	Every Voice Network (Episcopal) www.everyvoice.net/	"A place to ask 21st Century questions" To proclaim the Good News of God in Christ Jesus and to present The Episcopal Church in a contemporary context through video-enhanced curricula	8, 16 or 24 week "journeys of action, prayer and study" encountering the basic principles of Christianity through the Anglican approach of Scripture, traditions and reason.	Training available through Every Voice Network for implementation and leader training, although not necessary	Small group conversation around a video segment that models theological reflection, inc. worship – all on CD	Adult	\$495.00 basic \$695.00 expanded \$350.00 values UNDA TED	B5, D5, E5, F5, G5