

UNIT FOUR**God Gave Us Our Church Family****UNIT FOUR FOCUS**

*We are members of our Church family.
We celebrate God's love with our Church family.*

- Chapter 15 Jesus Has Many Friends**
Major Concept: Peter, one of Jesus' special friends, tells people about Jesus. Many people become friends of Jesus. The friends of Jesus are called the Church.
Key Word: Church
Bible Story: "New Friends of Jesus"
Based on Acts of the Apostles 2:14–47.
- Chapter 16 We Are Friends of Jesus**
Major Concept: We belong to the Church family. At Baptism we become children of God and members of our Church family.
Key Word: Baptism/Pope
Story: "Baby Diana's Special Day"
- Chapter 17 Jesus Feeds Many People**
Major Concept: Jesus shows the people God's love when he feeds the crowd with five loaves of bread and two fish.
Key Word: Mass, Thank You
Bible Story: "Everyone Had Enough to Eat"
Based on Luke 9:10–17 and John 6:1–13
- Chapter 18 Jesus Gives Us Special Food**
Major Concept: At Mass Jesus gives us special food. Holy Communion is the special food Jesus gives us at Mass.
Key Word: Holy Communion, Mass, Thank You
Story: "Justin and His First Communion"

UNIT FIVE**We Talk to God in Prayer****UNIT FIVE FOCUS**

*We pray. We tell God that we love him and trust in his love.
We pray alone, with our family and with our Church family.*

- Chapter 19 David Teaches Us to Pray**
Major Concept: David, the shepherd boy who became king, teaches us how to pray.
Key Word: pray/prayer
Bible Story: "David Sang His Prayers" Based on 1 Samuel 16:11–13, Psalm 51:3, Psalm 118:1, Psalm 136:1–3 and Psalm 145
- Chapter 20 We Pray Every Day**
Major Concept: We pray every day. We thank God for his blessings when we pray.
Key Word: thanksgiving
Story: "A Birthday Thank-You"
- Chapter 21 Friends of Jesus Pray Together**
Major Concept: The friends of Jesus came together to pray.
Key Word: praise/Sign of the Cross
Bible Story: "The Friends of Jesus Praise God"
Based on Acts of the Apostles 2:42–47
- Chapter 22 We Pray with Our Church Family**
Major Concept: We pray together as Jesus' friends. We praise God because he loves us and we love him so much.
Key Word: prayer of praise
Story: "A Special Celebration"

UNIT SIX**We Celebrate Holy Days and Holidays**

- Chapter 23 All Saints Day**
Major Concept: Saints help us know God's love. They show us how to love God and live as friends of Jesus.
Key Word: saint
Story: "The Parade of Saints"
- Chapter 24 Thanksgiving Day**
Major Concept: We thank God for all his blessings. We show we are thankful for the blessings that God gives us by sharing them with other people.
Key Word: thankful
Story: "A Special Way to Thank God"
- Chapter 25 We Prepare for Christmas**
Major Concept: During Advent our Church family prepares and looks forward to celebrating Christmas.
Key Word: Advent/angel
Bible Story: "An Angel Brings Wonderful News to Mary"
Based on Luke 1:26–40, 46
- Chapter 26 We Celebrate Christmas**
Major Concept: The Magi honor Jesus, the Son of God and Son of Mary. We honor Jesus in a special way during Christmas time.
Key Word: Magi/honor
Bible Story: "The Magi Honor Baby Jesus"
Based on Matthew 2:1–2, 9–11
- Chapter 27 Valentine's Day**
Major Concept: We are doing what Jesus told us to do when we help people and show them we love them.
Key Word: love
Story: "Helping Mom"
- Chapter 28 We Celebrate Lent**
Major Concept: Lent is a special time of the year for our Church family. We grow in our love for God and for others. One way we grow in love is to say, "I'm sorry" when we hurt someone.
Key Word: Lent/forgiveness
Bible Story: "A Son Says, 'Father, I'm Sorry'"
Based on Luke 15:11–32
- Chapter 29 We Celebrate Easter**
Major Concept: At Easter we remember that Jesus is alive and is always with us. The Church sings "Alleluia! Praise God!"
Key Word: Easter/Alleluia
Bible Story: "Alleluia! Jesus Is Alive" Based on Matthew 28:1, 5–8; Mark 16:2, 7; Luke 24:4–6, 9–12; John 20:1–10
- Chapter 30 We Honor Mary**
Major Concept: The Church honors Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and shows our great love for her. We love and honor Mary as our Mother, the Mother of all the friends of Jesus.
Key Word: Mary
Story: "A Special Celebration for Mary"