



The **Children's Akaloo Sunday School Program** is grouped across five classes from age 2 through grade 6. Each class has its own kid-friendly, vividly illustrated learner handbook and everyone is united behind a single theme: **"We are called to follow Jesus."** This is our second year of teaching *Akaloo* published by Augsburg Fortress.

Families connect church and home with web-based activities and resources at [www.akaloo.org](http://www.akaloo.org)

<b>AKALOO 2 DISCIPLE GUIDE</b>					
	<b>Ages 2 &amp; 3</b>	<b>PreK &amp; K</b>	<b>Gr 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>Gr 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>Gr 5 &amp; 6</b>
<b>Discovering The Bible 9/2 – 10/21</b>	Who is in the Bible?	What kinds of stories are in the Bible?	Whose stories are in the Bible?	How can I use my Bible?	What does the Bible say about serving?
<b>UNIT CELEBRATION 10/28</b>					
<b>Experiencing God 11/4 – 12/2</b>	Who is God?	What does God do?	Why did God send Jesus?	What is the Trinity?	Who does Jesus serve?
<b>UNIT CELEBRATION 12/9</b>					
<b>ADVENT LESSON 12/16</b>					
<b>NO CLASSES 12/23 &amp; 12/30</b>					
<b>Becoming a Disciple 1/6 – 2/3</b>	Who am I?	What does a child of God do?	How can I follow Jesus?	Who are my neighbors?	How does a disciple serve?
<b>UNIT CELEBRATION 2/10</b>					
<b>Celebrating Church 2/17 – 3/30</b>	What is the Church?	What are the parts of my church?	How can I make a difference at church?	What does the church celebrate?	What about money?
<b>UNIT CELEBRATION 4/6</b>					
<b>Embracing The World 4/13 – 5/11</b>	Who is in My Family?	How can I help my family?	How can I share my faith with others?	Why is belonging to a community important?	What about evangelism?
<b>INTERGENERATIONAL CELEBRATION 5/18</b>					

**Age 2 & 3:** This age is eager, active and constantly learning. They love to invent and explore. Since they learn best by doing, Akaloo lessons provide lots of active and exploratory play. The accompanying handbook, *Alphabet Adventure*, offers rich, inviting art to help kids make connections between Bible stories and their lives!

9/2 – 10/21: **UNIT 1 Discovering the Bible: Who is in the Bible? (8 WEEKS)**

- 9/2 Moms
- 9/9 Dads
- 9/16 Brothers and sisters
- 9/23 Animals
- 9/30 Jesus
- 10/7 Cousins
- 10/14 Grandparents
- 10/21 Friends
- 10/28 UNIT 1 CELEBRATION & UNIT 2 KICKOFF

11/4 – 12/2: **UNIT 2 Experiencing God: Who is God? (5 WEEKS)**

- 11/4 Someone who made the world
- 11/11 Someone who made me
- 11/18 Jesus' dad
- 11/25 Someone who loves us
- 12/2 Someone who forgives us
- 12/9 UNIT 2 CELEBRATION & UNIT 3 KICKOFF
- 12/16 SPECIAL ADVENT LESSON
- 12/23 NO CLASSES
- 12/30 NO CLASSES

1/6 – 2/3: **UNIT 3 Becoming a disciple: Who am I? (5 WEEKS)**

- 1/6 I am a child of God
- 1/13 I am a follower of Jesus
- 1/20 I am part of a family
- 1/27 I am part of a neighborhood
- 2/3 I am part of a church family
- 2/10 UNIT 3 CELEBRATION & UNIT 4 KICKOFF

2/17 – 3/30 **UNIT 4 Celebrating church: What is church? (7 WEEKS)**

- 2/17 A place to worship
- 2/24 A place to give thanks
- 3/2 A place for friends
- 3/9 A place where I am blessed
- 3/16 A place to serve
- 3/23 A place to learn (EASTER)
- 3/30 God's house
- 4/6 UNIT 4 CELEBRATION & UNIT 5 KICKOFF

4/13 – 5/11: **UNIT 5 Embracing the world: Who is in my family? (5 WEEKS)**

- 4/13 Parents and siblings
- 4/20 Grandparents
- 4/27 Extended family
- 5/4 Pets
- 5/11 My church family

**Age 4 & 5:** These kids are entering worlds of preschool and kindergarten. They learn more about structure and routines of classroom life and getting along with peers. As these kids Akaloo together in their **Seek and Find** handbooks, they will search for hidden pictures. What will they find? God's love everywhere!

9/2 – 10/21: **UNIT 1 Discovering the Bible: What kinds of stories are in the Bible? (8 WEEKS)**

- 9/2 Adventure stories
- 9/9 Kid stories
- 9/16 Travel stories
- 9/23 Family stories
- 9/30 Miracle stories
- 10/7 Food stories
- 10/14 Animal stories
- 10/21 Friend stories
- 10/28 UNIT 1 CELEBRATION & UNIT 2 KICKOFF

11/4 – 12/2: **UNIT 2 Experiencing God: What does God do? (5 WEEKS)**

- 11/4 God feeds
- 11/11 God protects
- 11/18 God forgives
- 11/25 God listens
- 12/2 God blesses
- 12/9 UNIT 2 CELEBRATION & UNIT 3 KICKOFF
- 12/16 SPECIAL ADVENT LESSON
- 12/23 NO CLASSES
- 12/30 NO CLASSES

1/6 – 2/3: **UNIT 3 Becoming a disciple: What does a child of God do? (5 WEEKS)**

- 1/6 Invite
- 1/13 Worship
- 1/20 Pray
- 1/27 Love
- 2/3 Help
- 2/10 UNIT 3 CELEBRATION & UNIT 4 KICKOFF

2/17 – 3/30 **UNIT 4 Celebrating church: What are the parts of my church? (7 WEEKS)**

- 2/17 Places to get ready
- 2/24 Worship space
- 3/2 Baptismal font
- 3/9 Table
- 3/16 Cross
- 3/23 Fellowship area (EASTER)
- 3/30 Me!
- 4/6 UNIT 4 CELEBRATION & UNIT 5 KICKOFF

4/13 – 5/11: **UNIT 5 Embracing the world: How can I help my family? (5 WEEKS)**

- 4/13 Honor my parents
- 4/20 Share
- 4/27 Forgive
- 5/4 Pray
- 5/11 Laugh

**Grades 1 & 2:** During 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, kids are energetic learners with lots of budding skills. They will explore lots of details and Fantastic Facts in the Akaloo handbook, ***Josie and Thomas Discover***, depicting the lively adventures of Josie the Camel and Thomas the Bird as they discover new things about the Bible, God, the church, and the world around them!

9/2 – 10/21: **UNIT 1 Discovering the Bible:**

**Whose stories are in the Bible? (8 WEEKS)**

- 9/2 Unlikely leaders
- 9/9 Protected people
- 9/16 Doubting travelers
- 9/23 Loyal followers
- 9/30 Listening kids
- 10/7 Praying believers
- 10/14 Brothers
- 10/21 Sisters
- 10/28 UNIT 1 CELEBRATION & UNIT 2 KICKOFF

11/4 – 12/2: **UNIT 2 Experiencing God: Why did God send Jesus? (5 WEEKS)**

- 11/4 To show us who God is
- 11/11 To love
- 11/18 To teach
- 11/25 To heal
- 12/2 To save us from sin
- 12/9 UNIT 2 CELEBRATION & UNIT 3 KICKOFF
- 12/16 SPECIAL ADVENT LESSON
- 12/23 NO CLASSES
- 12/30 NO CLASSES

1/6 – 2/3: **UNIT 3 Becoming a disciple: How can I follow Jesus? (5 WEEKS)**

- 1/6 I can follow the Ten Commandments
- 1/13 I can follow the greatest commandment
- 1/20 I can encourage
- 1/27 I can forgive
- 2/3 I can serve
- 2/10 UNIT 3 CELEBRATION & UNIT 4 KICKOFF

2/17 – 3/30 **UNIT 4 Celebrating church:**

**How can I make a difference at church? (7 WEEKS)**

- 2/17 I can worship
- 2/24 I can invite a friend
- 3/2 I can welcome visitors
- 3/9 I can pray for the leaders of my church
- 3/16 I can share my talents
- 3/23 I can offer money (EASTER)
- 3/30 I can give time
- 4/6 UNIT 4 CELEBRATION & UNIT 5 KICKOFF

4/13 – 5/11: **UNIT 5 Embracing the world:**

**How can I share my faith with others? (5 WEEKS)**

- 4/13 I can tell God's message
- 4/20 I can be a good example
- 4/27 I can offer to pray for others
- 5/4 I can help
- 5/11 I can show kindness

**Grades 3 & 4:** Now that they've become fluent readers, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders have moved into the reading-to-learning stage. They especially enjoy reading about characters like them who encounter challenges and situations like the ones in their own lives. Their Akaloo handbook, *The Secret Box of Saint Jacques* is a detective story. Learners follow the amateur detectives on their mysterious adventures as they discover keys that unlock wonders and faith lessons.

9/2 – 10/21: **UNIT 1 Discovering the Bible:**

**How can I use my Bible? (8 WEEKS)**

- 9/2 To listen to God
- 9/9 To learn how to pray
- 9/16 To have devotions
- 9/23 To use during worship
- 9/30 To learn about God's people
- 10/7 To learn the salvation story
- 10/14 To grow in my faith
- 10/21 To share my faith with others
- 10/28 UNIT 1 CELEBRATION & UNIT 2 KICKOFF

11/4 – 12/2: **UNIT 2 Experiencing God: What is the Trinity? (5 WEEKS)**

- 11/4 Three in One
- 11/11 God the Father
- 11/18 God the Son
- 11/25 God the Holy Spirit
- 12/2 Triune God
- 12/9 UNIT 2 CELEBRATION & UNIT 3 KICKOFF
- 12/16 SPECIAL ADVENT LESSON
- 12/23 NO CLASSES
- 12/30 NO CLASSES

1/6 – 2/3: **UNIT 3 Becoming a disciple: Who are my neighbors? (5 WEEKS)**

- 1/6 Friends
- 1/13 Enemies
- 1/20 People different from me
- 1/27 Strangers
- 2/3 People from other countries
- 2/10 UNIT 3 CELEBRATION & UNIT 4 KICKOFF

2/17 – 3/30 **UNIT 4 Celebrating church:**

**What does the church celebrate? (7 WEEKS)**

- 2/17 Baptism
- 2/24 Holy Communion
- 3/2 Forgiveness of sins
- 3/9 Worship
- 3/16 Body of Christ
- 3/23 Fellowship (EASTER)
- 3/30 Seasons of the church year
- 4/6 UNIT 4 CELEBRATION & UNIT 5 KICKOFF

4/13 – 5/11: **UNIT 5 Embracing the world:**

**Why is belonging to a community important?(5 WEEKS)**

- 4/13 God made us to be in community
- 4/20 Communities do what individuals can't
- 4/27 Communities celebrate together
- 5/4 Communities help each other through good and bad times
- 5/11 Communities build friendships

**Grades 5 & 6** Often known as tweens, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders are busy finding their place in the world and always interested in new things as long as their friends are involved! The Akaloo handbook, ***Serve The Lord***, teaches faith in action and prepares for Confirmation in the form of Christian service. Video teaching moments will spark conversation and learning.

9/2 – 10/21: **UNIT 1 Discovering the Bible: What does the Bible say about power? (8**

**WEEKS)**

- 9/2 Power is for creating, not destroying.
- 9/9 Power is a gift from God.
- 9/16 Power can be abused.
- 9/23 Power is for serving those without power.
- 9/30 Power is for healing.
- 10/7 Power is for keeping order.
- 10/14 Power is for speaking the truth in love.
- 10/21 Power is for giving away.
- 10/28 UNIT 1 CELEBRATION & UNIT 2 KICKOFF

11/4 – 12/2: **UNIT 2 Experiencing God: How does Jesus serve? (5 WEEKS)**

- 11/4 Jesus serves by teaching.
- 11/11 Jesus serves by healing.
- 11/18 Jesus serves by challenging authority.
- 11/25 Jesus serves by forgiving sins.
- 12/2 Jesus serves by feeding the hungry.
- 12/9 UNIT 2 CELEBRATION & UNIT 3 KICKOFF
- 12/16 SPECIAL ADVENT LESSON
- 12/23 NO CLASSES
- 12/30 NO CLASSES

1/6 – 2/3: **UNIT 3 Becoming a disciple: What are the characteristics of a disciple? (5 WEEKS)**

- 1/6 A disciple chooses to follow Jesus.
- 1/13 A disciple chooses to pray for others.
- 1/20 A disciple chooses to share his or her faith.
- 1/27 A disciple chooses to give away money.
- 2/3 A disciple chooses to worship.
- 2/10 UNIT 3 CELEBRATION & UNIT 4 KICKOFF

2/17 – 3/30 **UNIT 4 Celebrating church: How can I serve the church? (7 WEEKS)**

- 2/17 I can discover my spiritual gifts.
- 2/24 I can read Scripture to others.
- 3/2 I can assist with communion.
- 3/9 I can make a quilt.
- 3/16 I can collect food and clothing.
- 3/23 I can teach. (EASTER)
- 3/30 I can listen for God and respond to God's call.
- 4/6 UNIT 4 CELEBRATION & UNIT 5 KICKOFF

4/13 – 5/11: **UNIT 5 Embracing the world: How do we express the love of Christ to our community? (5 WKS)**

- 4/13 We celebrate our faith in public.
- 4/20 We are active in local government.
- 4/27 We share the burdens of those in need.
- 5/4 We invite our neighbors to celebrate with us.
- 5/11 We send care packages to support others.