

# The Way Calendar 2023-2024

## The Shape of Sunday

Each session of The Way meets Sunday after church from 12:10pm-2:00pm:

12:00pm: All ages gathering & meal

12:50pm: Small groups with Lectio Divina/Children off to Childcare

1:50pm: Group gathers back for announcements & Lord's Prayer

2:00pm: Cleanup

## The Shape of the Year

| Inquiry Stage  |  |
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| This stage is open-ended and can be begun or withdrawn from at any time. Focuses on getting to know the process and the community. |  |
| September 24   |  |
| October 1  |  |
| October 8 Thanksgiving (No Session)  |  |
| October 15   |  |
| October 22   |  |
| October 29   |  |
| November 5   |  |
| November 12 Remembrance Day weekend (No Session)   |  |
| November 19  |  |
| November 26  |  |

## Advent/Christmas Break

| Exploration Stage  |  |
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| This stage is for discerning next steps. Inquirers decide whether to commit to baptism or renewal of baptism by the end. Inquirers can withdraw from the process up until the end of this stage, or continue into Lent |  |
| January 7  | Beginning Discernment                          |
| January 14   |  |
| January 21   |  |
| January 28   |  |
| February 4   | Welcome of Inquirers & Presentation of a Bible |
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Pre-Lent Break

| Intense Preparation  |   |
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| This stage is the stage of commitment and preparation for Baptism or Baptismal Renewal |   |
| February 18  | Rite of Enrolment – Copy of the Catechism<br>Confession of Faith – Presentation of the<br>Apostles’ Creed |
| February 25  |   |
| March 3  |   |
| March 10   |   |
| March 17   | Blessing of Candidates & Presentation of Hymn<br>Book   |
| March 24   | Rehearsal for Easter Vigil – After Lunch (No<br>evening meal)   |
| Maundy Thursday  | No Way session  |
| Good Friday  | No Way session  |
| Great Vigil of Easter  | Baptism or its Affirmation - No Way session   |
| March 31 Easter Sunday   | No Way session  |

Post-Easter Break

| Baptismal Living (“Mystagogy”)  |  |
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| This stage debriefs on the experience of baptism/baptismal renewal and explores the Christian Life. |  |
| April 14  | Debrief of Process   |
| April 21  | Spirit-given Gifts   |
| May 19 - Day of Pentecost   | Affirmation of Christian Vocation &<br>Congregational Potluck – no evening Way session |