

# **“New Testament Stuff I Need to Know”**

St. James' Episcopal Church

## **Course Schedule**

SESSION ONE	1/8-1/14	Introduction
SESSION TWO	1/15-1/21	Chapter 1, Chapter 2, Chapter 3 [p1-p20]
SESSION THREE	1/22-1/28	Chapter 4, Chapter 5 [p21-p35]
SESSION FOUR	1/29-2/4	Chapter 6 [p36-p59]
SESSION FIVE	2/5-2/11	Chapter 7 [p60-p83]
SESSION SIX	2/12-2/18	Chapter 8 [p84-p94]
SESSION SEVEN	2/19-2/25	Chapter 9 [p95-p113]
SESSION EIGHT	2/26-2/28	Chapter 10, Chapter 11 [p114-p125]

## **Course Book**

*The New Testament: A Very Short Introduction*, by Luke Timothy Johnson

## **Learning Groups**

**Sunday 9:15 Learning Group** (Childcare for five years and younger in the Nursery)

**Sunday 11:45 Learning Group**

**Women's Study Group**

**Online Learning Group** (Join the St. James' Adult Formation Facebook group.)

**Self-select Learning Group** (Form your own group; meet in your own space.)

## **Learning Group Norms**

### **Schedule**

Gathering: Center and connect. (5 minutes)

Reading Content: Review and share. (20 minutes)

Personal Application: Speak, listen, and affirm. (15 minutes)

Sending Forth: Give thanks and empower. (5 minutes)

### **Agreements**

Book and Bible readings, attendance, and schedule

Honest, open, focused, non-judgmental, and helpful conversation

Shared and balanced participation

Norms can be changed to fit the needs and nature of the learning group.

## **Other Recommended Resources**

*The New Oxford Annotated Bible*, NRSV, Fourth Edition

Olive Tree Bible Study app or <http://bible.oremus.org/>

*Opening the Bible*, Roger Ferlo, New Church's Teaching Series

*Engaging the Word*, Michael Johnston, New Church's Teaching Series