

# Learning More About the New Testament

St. James' Episcopal Church

## Course Schedule

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

**Home Learning Group** (Form your own group; meet in your own space.)

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

## Learning Group Norms

### Schedule

Gathering: Connect and center. (5 minutes)

Book Chapters: Share learnings and discuss. (20 minutes)

Scripture Passage: Apply to daily life; 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

CONTENT/CONTEMPLATION/CONVERSATION

BIBLE/PRAYER/DAILY LIFE

## Other Recommended Resources

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

<http://bible.oremus.org/>

Richard Rohr's Daily Meditations (online)

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

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