

Sunday School Grade 7

A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The AGAPE curriculum is for exceptional student education [ESE] for Sunday School. It is designed by the Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States.
- This is a modified curriculum designed for individuals with special needs.
- This curriculum is intended to be taught alongside with the general Sunday School program for each grade.

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- Inclusion is an important aspect of the social and learning paradigm of individuals with special needs.
- Stewards serving children and youth with special needs should try to integrate the students in the mainstream classes for as much time as can be tolerated by the student with special needs.
- Integration and inclusion foster friendships among the same age peer group.

Preparation for Holy Liturgy (II)

Lessons for the Month of September

- **Lesson Outline: Week 4**

- The priest places the Qorban in the paten and the wine and water in the chalice. The priest covers them as a symbol of Jesus' tomb shut with a large stone.
- The priest prays the absolution over all the people in the church. Then all the readings of the day are read.
- After the creed, the prayer of reconciliation is prayed. The litanies are prayed. The commemoration of the saints.
- The priest prays the fraction while dividing the lamb offering. The priest prays an absolution before receiving the Eucharist.
- Then the confession, communion and washing of the altar utensils.
- We should prepare for the Liturgy and come early. Participating in the Liturgy is a great blessing.

Word Bank

- Paten & Chalice



- Tomb



- Readings



- Confession



- Eucharist



- Participate



Objective: To learn the sequence and the meaning of the liturgy. To appreciate the beauty of the Holy liturgy.



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Memory Verse: *“I am the bread of life”* (John 6:35)



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- **Conclusion**

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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

Resources

- Application
 - Coordinate a time for A.G.A.P.E. students to interact with non- A.G.A.P.E. students.
- Activities—Customize according to student abilities, speech, and fine and gross motor skills.
 - Coloring/Painting
 - Cut and Paste
 - Music/Games
- References
 - <http://www.suscopts.org/ssc/Grade07.pdf>