FUMC Youth Lessons Fall of 2017- Spring of 2018

September

o 10th- Spiritual Journey Growth Plan

Big Idea: Where are you in your relationship with God and how can you grow this year?

o 17th- C.R.E.W Series Week 1: "C" of C.R.E.W. (Christians)

Big Idea: Focusing on the importance of Fellowship & Worship as Christians

o 24th- C.R.E.W Series Week 2: "E" of C.R.E.W. (Equipped)

Big Idea: Focusing on the importance of Ministry as Christians

October

o 1st- C.R.E.W Series Week 3: "R" of C.R.E.W. (Ready)

Big Idea: Focusing on the importance of Discipleship as Christians

o 8th- C.R.E.W Series Week 4: "W" of C.R.E.W. (Willing)

Big Idea: Focusing on the importance of Evangelism as Christians

o 15th- Love monster Week 1: Undeserved Love

Big Idea: We can fully understand God's love when we define our love for others by God's love for us.

o 22nd- *Love monster* **Week 2: Unhealthy Love**

Big Idea: To get a healthy view of love, we need to look to God's example of love.

o 29th- Love monster Week 3: The Focus of God's Love

Big Idea: Without forgiveness we cannot adequately love and without love we cannot adequately forgive.

November

o 5th- Love monster Week 4: Unloved

Big Idea: The focus of God's love is YOU!

- o 12th- Guest Speaker TBA
- o 26th- Quiet Time

Big Idea: Spending time with God can be the best part of your day - so be creative!

January

o 7th- New Year One Word Resolution (with Painting)

Big Idea: What if our hopes for the year ahead centered instead on who God wants us to become, and the transformation process

o 14th- Star Wars Week 1: We are All Part of Something Bigger

Big Idea: We all have an undiscovered destiny "It's True, all of it" – Han Solo referring to The Light Side vs. The Dark Side

o 21st- Star Wars Week 2: Even The Best Of Us Can Fall

Big Idea: We must deal with _____ before it tears us apart

o 28th- Star Wars Week 3: Sacrifice is the Most Powerful Expression of Love

Big Idea: It's Never Too Late for Redemption

February

4th- Waiting, Dating, and Mating Week 1 – The Problem With Dating
Big Idea: How do we navigate dating when there isn't a class on dating nor do we really even see examples of it in the Bible.

o 11th- Waiting, Dating, and Mating Week 2 - Friends & Flirting

Big Idea: The importance of modesty

o 18th- Waiting, Dating, and Dating Week 3 – Sex

Big Idea: Commit to staying pure

o 25th- Waiting, Dating, and Dating Week 4 – The Big Story

Big Idea: How should I model my relationship with my significant other and God?

March (We may get behind a week here because of a visit to Orange County Players?)

4th- Can you hear me? (Trent Brown) <u>Week 1: Dirty Little Secret</u>
Big Idea: The reality that God doesn't always "scream it loud" isn't anything new. It isn't some dirty little secret He's been trying to keep hidden. God's Word is clear that there are times when God seems silent.
David, a man after God's own heart, experienced those times too.

18th- Can you hear me? (Kaylin Abshire) <u>Week 2: God-View</u>
Big Idea: What are we asking for when we pray? God view of things is so much bigger than just making a situation better. God's primary goal is not to make us happy. God's primary goal is to be God.

o 25th- Can you hear me? (Diane McLemore) Week 3: Perspective

Big Idea: As human beings, we are the apex of our world. As far as we know, in the entire universe, we are the most intelligent beings we can see. So, if there's a God, we're naturally going to inspect that God's work and see if it suits our fancy. However, we must go about our inspection with the right perspective.

April

8th- Can you hear me? (Zach Shaw) Week 4: Heart > Ability
Big Idea: Just like us, David went through some rough patches. But despite God not always responding the way David would have liked, David remained a man after God's own heart. He didn't allow his

situation to suck him into being a man just after God's ability. Our heart must be after God's heart, not just His ability.

o 15th- **Fixer Upper** (Sydney Peet)

Big Idea: Just like building a home, we need to have a plan, be willing to change or remove unwanted characteristics from our lives and be prepared to trust the Holy Spirit when surprises come our way.

o 22nd- Guest Speaker TBA

o 29th- Stress Week 1: Dealing with an Anxious Heart

Big Idea: Stressful things are a part of our lives, and we cannot make them go away. The stress of everyday life can often lead to having an anxious heart, which is something the Bible says we should not have. Thankfully, we are not alone in our fight against anxiousness. We have God on our side

May

o 6th- Stress Week 2: Handling Stress by Trusting God's Promises

Big Idea: Life can be full of stress, but the Bible is full of promises from God that will help us handle that stress. If you believe those promises, than the stressful things don't seem as significant, and you know exactly how to handle them.

o 20th- Stress Week 3: Priorities & Stress

Big Idea: Not having your priorities in the right order can lead to a very stressful life. Trying to figure out what your priorities should be can be stressful, but having the wrong priorities can be even more stressful. Thankfully, the Bible tells us a lot about what our priorities should be.