



Lower School Recitation Curriculum

Hymns of the Month

- August/September - O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing, Charles Wesley
- October - Holy, Holy, Holy, Reginald Heiber (1826)
- November - Of the Father's Love Begotten, Aurelius Prudentius (405)
- December - Hark the Herald Angels Sing, Charles Wesley
- January - It is Well – Horacio Spafford, (1873)
- February - Great Is Thy Faithfulness, Thomas Chisholm (1923)
- March - Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery
- April - All Creatures Of our God and King, St. Francis of Assisi (1225)
- May - All Hail The Power of Jesus Name, Edward Perronet (1779)

Theology

- Apostles' Creed
- Nicene Creed
- Scripture memory: Genesis 1–3, Psalm 19, Psalm 8, Psalm 100

Poetry

- 5th grade:
 - Autumn Bicycle Ride by Owen Barfield,
 - Snow-Flakes by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow,
 - A Day of Sunshine by Longfellow,
 - The Glory of the Garden by Rudyard Kipling,
 - She sweeps with many colored brooms by Emily Dickinson,
 - Sonnets 17, 18 & 19 by William Shakespeare,
 - Death be not Proud by John Donne,
 - The Pulley by George Herbert
- Kindergarten–1st:
 - The wind and the leaves by George Cooper,
 - Winter Morning Poem By Ogden Nash,
 - When April Comes By Virna Sheard,
 - Daffodils by William Wordsworth,
 - The Woodpecker by Elizabeth Madox Roberts,
 - Hope is the thing with feathers By Emily Dickinson,
 - The Road Not Taken by Robert Frost,

- o The Tyger by William Blake
- For poetry and civics 2nd–4th students are pulling from both lists this year.

Civics

- 5th Grade:
 - o Excerpt from Patrick Henry’s Speech before the Second Virginia Convention
 - o My country tis of thee by Samuel Francis Smith
 - o Various quotes on government from the founding fathers
 - o Captain! my Captain! By Walt Whitman
 - o The New Colossus by Emma Lazarus
 - o Land Lord’s Tale by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
- Kindergarten–1st
 - o America the Beautiful by Katherine Lee Bates
 - o I hear America singing by Walt Whitman
 - o This land is your land by Woodie Guthrie
 - o Aphorisms from Poor Richard’s Almanac by Benjamin Franklin
 - o God bless America by Irving Berlin
 - o A Nation’s Strength by William Ralph Emerson
 - o Preamble to the Constitution