GOOD STEWARDS TOGETHER Twelve Intergenerational Summer Events

Hosting Good Stewards Together Virtually

Good Stewards Together is a collection of twelve intergenerational summer events focused on how we are called to live as good stewards. Participants explore stewardship in the Bible, through the Spirit, as Disciples, in our Church, and in our World. While the events are designed to be used in-person, the content could be modified to be used virtually with the families in your church.

Choosing Events

Decide how many virtual Good Stewards Together gatherings you'd like to host, then select which events to use. We recommend a minimum of five events (one from each theme), but you can modify and combine as desired to fit your schedule. Create and publicize the schedule of virtual events, so families can plan time to attend.

Choosing the Platform

If planning these events remotely, a platform like Zoom works best for ensuring everyone can see each other in real time. If you pre-record some video segments, practice sharing your screen ahead of time so you can show video to everyone and then return to the multi-screen format.

Choosing Activities

No matter how many events you plan to host, we recommend starting your first virtual event Summer Good Stewards from Exploring the Theme on page 11 to give families an overview of the five areas of faith you'll be exploring. Be sure to also introduce Stewart the Stewardship Plant from page 12, who your group will care for and watch grow over the duration of your events.

From there, review Exploring the Theme, Growing as Good Stewards, and the Additional Activities from each event and choose the activities that best fit your online audience, available supplies, and time. Wrap up each event by adding an icon to Stewart the Stewardship Plant's pot.

Live-Action Versus Pre-Recorded Content

You may wish to pre-record some content for your virtual events. For example, because Summer Good Stewards is an object lesson that requires having a lot of supplies nearby, this video could be recorded in advance with an extra volunteer or two helping, then played during your virtual gathering.

Take-Home Kits

Before beginning your virtual Good Stewards Together experience, prepare take-home kits for each family to use at home. Each kit should include a Baby Stewart (see pages 140-141), along with pots, soil, and planting materials. Make sure families have access to general supplies such as Bibles, writing utensils, markers or crayons, paper, scissors, glue, and so on.

Based on the activities you've selected for each of your events, fill the kits with additional supplies families will need. Include copies of all necessary reproducible pages from your Good Stewards Together leader guide, as well as other supplies specific to each activity. For food items, premeasure ingredients. For other activities, prepare the materials yourself, or include preparation instructions in the kit. Organize a safe, socially distanced pick-up or delivery plan to make sure all families have their kits in time for the first event.



