#### **3rd Grade Course Overviews**

#### **Bible**

This year students will study God's faithfulness through the lives of Daniel and Joseph. A pattern of Scripture memorization will also be developed throughout the year.

### Language

This year students will learn types of sentences, punctuation, abbreviations, and how to create a good composition (recognizing/writing good sentences, letter writing). Finally, students will explore proper word usage (using a dictionary, subject/verb agreement, synonyms, antonyms, homographs, homophones).

### Spelling

This year students will explore spelling words using the theme of transportation.

#### Science

Students will explore God's world and see the plan of God as it is revealed in His orderly creations as we study and explore these topics: human body, vertebrates, invertebrates, ocean life, pond life, forest life, and weather.

# History

This year students will discover the inspiring, narrative approach to American history as our curriculum brings to life famous people beginning with Christopher Columbus through Martin Luther King, Jr.

The students will learn how America began and all the key figures that helped form our Nation.

Students will also study map skills, and the location of all 50 states.

#### Math

This year students will explore concepts in the operations of arithmetic, including 4-digit addition and subtraction, multiplication with up to two digits, division with and without a remainder, fractions, money, customary/metric measurement, and beginning algebraic skills (solving for an unknown number).

## Reading

This year students will be reading grade-level-appropriate stories including the following genres: fiction, nonfiction, drama, expository, tall tales, and biographies. Students will learn some of the following concepts: new vocabulary, comprehension skills, infer, questioning, character, plot, setting, author's purpose, and main ideas.

## **Cursive Writing**

This year the students will refine their manuscript skills, and learn how to write using the Zaner-Bloser method of cursive writing. Students will learn the strokes necessary to create all lower case and upper case letters, and then use that knowledge throughout the Spring semester in their assignments.