

Preschool Kids Church

September 27, 2026



Theme This Week- I can always talk with God!

Welcome Everyone- Free Play

Clean Up Time- Clean Up Song

Songs- God is with Me

Large Group Time

Small Group Activity #1- Treasure Map Hunt

Small Group Activity #2- Jonah's Parachute Journey

Small Group Activity #3- Jonah's Journey Move Along

Take Time to Pray with your Kiddos!

Special Announcements-

Memory Verse for the Month-

**"God is with you wherever you go."
Joshua 1:9**

Treasure Map Hunt

What You Need:

- ☐ “Treasure Map Hunt” Activity Page
- ☐ Cardstock
- ☐ Crayons
- ☐ Common classroom items
- ☐ *Optional: Fun self-inking stamp in place of crayons*

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print “Treasure Map Hunt” on cardstock, one per child. Make sure each of the items is slightly hidden around the room. Give each child an Activity Page and a crayon.

During the Activity: Encourage children to go on a hunt for the different items on their treasure map. Once they find an object, they can fill in or mark its circle, then continue hunting for the other items. *Optional: If using the self-inking stamp, ask children to come to you to mark that object with a stamp.*

After the Activity: Introduce the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Hello, hello! It’s great to see you today! Come and get a special map. We’re going on a treasure hunt around our room today!”

During the Activity: “Our Bible Story today is about a man named Jonah who went on a long journey. We’re going to go on a journey, too! Your map shows you all the special treasures we need to find.

“First, let’s look for the book! (*Point to the book on the map.*) Use your looking eyes! Where is a book in our room? (*Wait for children to find one.*) You found it! Great job! Now you can color the circle next to the book on your map to show that we found it. Okay, what’s next on our map? The blocks! Let’s go find them!” (*Continue the hunt until all the items on the map have been found and marked off.*)

After the Activity: “You are all amazing treasure hunters! You followed the map and found everything! Today, we are going to hear a true story from the Bible about a man named Jonah who went on a long journey. Wherever Jonah went, God was with him. Let’s go find out where Jonah went!”

Jonah's Parachute Journey

What You Need:

- ☐ "Jonah's Parachute Journey" Activity Page
- ☐ Avery® Labels #228007 or equivalent
- ☐ Parachute
- ☐ Ball pit ball

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "Jonah's Parachute Journey" on label paper, one sticker per Small Group. Place one sticker on a ball pit ball. Spread out the parachute on the floor.

During the Activity: Use the parachute and ball pit ball to retell the story.

After the Activity: Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's use our big parachute to tell the amazing story of Jonah! We need to work together to make the story happen."

During the Activity: "Grab the edge of the parachute and lift it high. Look, here's Jonah! *(Put the ball pit ball on the parachute.)* Let's rock the parachute back and forth. *(Pause.)* A big storm came! Rock, rock, rock! *(Gently rock the parachute back and forth.)* The storm was so big that Jonah told the men in the boat to throw him into the water. Let's throw Jonah out! When I say three, we'll bop him off the parachute. Ready? One, two, three ... BOP! *(Bop the ball off the parachute.)* Oh no! Where did he go? *(Point to the ball.)* There he is! But God was with Jonah and He sent a big fish to swallow Jonah up! Let's make our parachute the big fish! Stand up! We have to scoop Jonah up! Ready? One, two, three ... SCOOP! *(Scoop the ball up so it's under the parachute.)* Jonah was in the fish for three whole days! Let's count to three. One ... two ... three! Then the fish spit him out! Everyone, lift up the parachute! *(Lift the parachute high.)* There he is! Now Jonah was ready to do what God said. Jonah needed to go to Nineveh. Let's help him get there! *(Put the ball on top of the parachute.)* Let's shake the parachute and make Jonah travel all the way to Nineveh! *(Gently shake the parachute to move the ball to the other side.)* We did it!"

After the Activity: "You helped Jonah get all the way to Nineveh! What a wild ride! Jonah was on a boat, in a storm, and even inside a fish! But no matter where he was, God was with him. God was always with Jonah everywhere he went, and God is always with us too. **Who is always with you? [Bottom Line] God is always with me.**"

Jonah's Journey Move-Along

What You Need:

- ☐ "Jonah's Journey Move-Along" Activity Page
- ☐ "Jonah Cutout" Activity Page
- ☐ Crayons or washable markers
- ☐ Yarn
- ☐ Hole punch
- ☐ Scissors
- ☐ Permanent marker

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "Jonah's Journey Move-Along" on cardstock, one per child. Print "Jonah Cutout" on cardstock and cut, one cutout per child. Punch a hole at the top left-hand side of each child's "Jonah's Journey Move-Along." Punch a hole at the top of each child's "Jonah Cutout." Cut yarn in 16-inch lengths, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

During the Activity: Encourage children to color their pictures, then help attach their Jonah to their paper. Demonstrate how to move Jonah around in the big picture.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Come on over, friends! Our Bible story today is about Jonah and a very big adventure. We're going to help move Jonah to all the places he went in the story!"

During the Activity: "Let's start at the beginning. God told Jonah to go to Nineveh, but Jonah went the wrong way! Let's move Jonah to the boat. (*Guide children to move Jonah to the boat.*) Jonah got on a boat and sailed away from where God told him to go. Oh no! A big storm came! The wind was blowing and the waves were crashing! Jonah was sleeping. Can you help wake him up? Say, wake up, Jonah! (*With children*) Wake up, Jonah! The storm kept getting worse, so Jonah was thrown into the water. Now let's move Jonah to the big fish. (*Guide children.*) God sent a big fish to swallow Jonah to keep him safe. Was God with Jonah? (*Pause for responses.*) Yes! While Jonah was inside the fish, he prayed and talked to God. We can talk to God anytime, too! After three days, the fish spit Jonah out. Then God told Jonah to go to Nineveh again. This time, Jonah obeyed! Let's move Jonah to Nineveh. (*Guide children.*) Jonah went where God told him to go. Was God with Jonah there too? (*Pause for responses.*) Yes!"

After the Activity: "You did such a great job helping Jonah on his journey! Jonah went on a boat, into a big fish, and all the way to Nineveh. And everywhere he went, God was with him. Jonah talked to God, and we can talk to God too. You can pray and talk to God wherever you go because God is always with you! **Who is always with you?** **[Bottom Line] God is always with me.**"