

# Preschool Kids Church

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**Theme This Week-** Jesus loves me no matter what!

**Welcome Everyone-** Free Play

**Clean Up Time- Clean Up Song**

**Songs-** God is with Me

**Large Group Time**

**Small Group Activity #1-** Ice Cream Pass

**Small Group Activity #2-** Follow the Arrows

**Small Group Activity #3-** Sand Heart Art

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**Take Time to Pray with your Kiddos!**

**Special Announcements-** Easter is April 5!

**Memory Verse for the Month-**

“Jesus said, ‘Let the children come to me.’”

Matthew 19:14

# Ice Cream Pass

## What You Need:

- Brown construction paper
- Ball pit balls
- Clear tape

## What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Roll brown paper into a cone and tape to secure, one per child.

*During the Activity:* Give each child a paper cone and talk about how it looks like an ice cream cone. Give a third of the children a ball pit ball and explain the ball is the ice cream. Encourage the children to find someone to share their ice cream with. Have them tip their cone to allow the ball to roll out into the friend's cone. Continue passing and sharing the ice cream. If desired, stand in a circle and have the children pass and share one ice cream.

*After the Activity:* Introduce the Bible Story.

## What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* "Hey, friends come play a game with me!"

*During the Activity:* "Everyone gets one of these. (*Hold up a cone.*) What do these remind you of? (*Pause for responses.*) They look like ice cream cones! Hold your cone like this. I'll give a few of you a ball pit ball. They will be the ice cream for your cone. To play the game, you need to share your ice cream with someone who doesn't have ice cream. To share it, tip your cone like this so it will roll into their cone. (*Demonstrate.*) Ready, set, share! (*Pause.*) Wow, great job, friends! Let's play again. (*Repeat as desired.*) Uh oh, some of the ice cream dropped on the floor. Pick it up and put it back in your cone. (*Pause.*) Let's keep playing pass the ice cream! (*Pause.*) That was fantastic sharing!"

*After the Activity:* "Today we're going to hear a story about how Jesus loved a woman even when she did something that God didn't want her to do. Jesus loves us too, no matter what! Like when we play and have fun together, or drop our ice cream, Jesus loves us! Let's go hear all about today's story!"

# Follow the Arrows

## What You Need:

- “Follow the Arrows” Activity Page
- Cardstock
- Painter’s tape

## What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Copy “Follow the Arrows” on cardstock, ten per Small Group. Arrange on the floor in different directions and tape to secure. Do the motions as you say the Memory Verse together.

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to jump facing the direction of the arrows and at the end of the arrows line, say and do the motions to the Memory Verse. Continue with each child. Repeat as desired.

*After the Activity:* Connect the Memory Verse to the Bottom Line.

## What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* “Friends, come let’s say our Memory Verse together as we do the motions. Are we ready? Here we go! ‘Jesus said (*tap finger to middle of each palm*) “Let the children (*point to children*) come to me,” (*move hands toward self*) Matthew 19:14. (*Open hands like a book.*) Super-duper!

Look at all these arrows on the floor. We are going to jump and face the way the arrow is pointing. You can jump from one arrow to the other until you get to the end and then we will say our verse together.”

*During the Activity:* “[Child’s Name] you can start jumping. (Pause.) Great job! You made it to the end. Let’s say the verse together. ‘Jesus said (*tap finger to middle of each palm*) “Let the children (*point to children*) come to me,” (*move hands toward self*) Matthew 19:14. Now it’s your turn [child’s name]! (Continue with each child.) Woo-hoo! We did it! Let’s say our verse and do the motions together one more time. ‘Jesus said (*tap finger to middle of each palm*) “Let the children (*point to children*) come to me,” (*move hands toward self*) Matthew 19:14. Great job!”

*After the Activity:* “The Bible teaches us that Jesus loves us no matter what. Just like Jesus loved the woman in our story even though she did something that God didn’t want her to do. Jesus wants us to come near Him because He loved them, and He loves us too. **Who loves you? [Bottom Line] Jesus loves me!**”

# Sand Heart Art

## What You Need:

- “Sand Heart Art” Activity Page
- Cardstock
- Craft glue
- Play sand in a variety of colors
- Disposable bowls
- Plastic spoons
- Plastic tablecloth or butcher paper
- Baby wipes
- Permanent marker

## What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Copy “Sand Heart Art” on cardstock, one per child. Write each child’s name on their paper. Cover the tables. Pour sand into the disposable bowls and place around the table and place several spoons in each bowl.

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to trace the heart with glue. Ask children to shake sand over the glue. Shake off the excess sand. Encourage children to fill in the center of the heart with glue and ask children to add other colors of sand on the inside then shake off the excess. Set aside to dry and clean hands as needed.

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

## What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* “Friends, I am so happy to see you today! Come find a place to sit at the table.”

*During the Activity:* “I have a super cool picture for you to create today! Look at your paper. What big shape do you see in the middle of your paper? *(Pause for response.)* That’s right! It’s a big heart! Hearts make us think of love and tell me; **Who loves you?** **[Bottom Line] Jesus loves me.** That’s right! And that’s what these words say on your paper! Follow/trace the lines of the heart with glue. *(Pause.)* Great! Scoop up some sand and sprinkle it over the glue lines. *(Make sure all the glue is covered well. Gently shake off the excess.)* Now add some glue inside your heart. You can make squiggles, or other shapes or completely cover the inside with glue. *(Pause.)* Great! Sprinkle some sand over the glue. *(Pause.)* Let’s shake off the extra sand to reveal your beautiful hearts. *(Make sure all the glue is covered well. Gently shake off the excess.)* Wow! These look amazing. We’ll let your papers dry, and then you can take them home.” *(Clean hands as needed.)*

*After the Activity:* “Jesus taught people about God, how God loves them, and how God wants them to love others. In today’s true story from the Bible, Jesus was teaching when some people brought a woman to Him. They wanted her to be punished. She had done something God didn’t want her to do, and they wanted to know if Jesus would keep God’s rules or show God’s love. Jesus loved the woman and told her: ‘Go and do what God wants you to do, because God loves you!’ Jesus showed the people that He really wanted to keep God’s rules and show God’s love. God did not send Jesus to punish us.