

# Preschool Kids Church



May 31, 2026

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**Theme This Week-** Jesus never stops caring!

**Welcome Everyone-** Free Play

**Clean Up Time- Clean Up Song**

**Songs-** God is with Me

**Large Group Time**

**Small Group Activity #1-** Heart Steam

**Small Group Activity #2-** What Foods do You eat?

**Small Group Activity #3-** Jesus Cares about Everyone

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

**Special Announcements-** Hoops is June 9-12

**Memory Verse for the Month-**

**“How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.”  
Ephesians 3:18**

# Heart STEAM

## What You Need:

- Paper towels
- Wax paper
- Plastic punch cups
- Liquid food coloring
- Water
- Pipettes
- Large, shallow plastic bin or tray
- Plastic tablecloth
- Scissors

## What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Cut approximately twenty 3” hearts out of the paper towels. Cut approximately five 3” hearts from the wax paper. Spread the hearts out at the bottom of the bin/tray. Spread out the tablecloth and put the bin/tray on top. Fill cups about halfway with water, four per Small Group. Add food coloring to each cup. Place pipettes nearby. *Note: Prepare extra hearts to repeat the activity if desired.*

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to squeeze liquid into the pipettes and then onto the hearts. Talk about how some of the hearts absorb or fill with the color, while with some of the others, the color stays in a droplet or rolls off.

*After the Activity:* Introduce the Bible Story.

## What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* Friends! I have a fun experiment for us to explore today!”

*During the Activity:* “What do you see in the bin/tray? *(Pause.)* Hearts! Lots and lots of hearts! And hearts make us think of ... LOVE! That’s right! Let’s work together to fill these hearts. *(Pause.)* Wow! Look how these hearts filled with color, but in some of them, the color is just sitting on top or rolled right off. Let’s fill all of the hearts in the bin/tray. *(Pause.)* Let’s try one more time to add color to these hearts. *(Point to the wax paper hearts.)* They still didn’t fill with the color. These hearts that are full of color make me think of how Jesus’ love fills our hearts!”

*After the Activity:* “Today we’re going to hear about a man named Matthew who made some wrong choices, but Jesus loved him anyway and wanted to eat dinner with him. Let’s go hear more in our true story from the Bible.”

# What Foods Do You Eat?\*

## What You Need:

- Butcher Paper
- Washable markers
- Optional: "Allergy Alert Poster", cardstock, period typical food to choose from: pita-style bread, fish: small, salted, or dried fish, olives, figs, dates, grapes, pomegranates, and cheese.*

## What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Cover the table with paper and place the markers on the table.

*Optional: Print "Allergy Alert Poster" on cardstock and list the chosen items and post at the door.*

*During the Activity:* Talk about the foods the children think Matthew may have prepared for the dinner with Jesus and his friends. Draw pictures of the foods the children mention. Talk about the foods the kids like to eat. If a child says they like the same food Matthew prepared, let children circle that food. *Optional: Talk about each of the foods and let the children have a taste test.*

## What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* "Come find a spot at the table!"

*During the Activity:* "Today in our Bible Story, Matthew invited a bunch of his friends to come have dinner with Jesus. What do you think Matthew prepared for dinner? I'll draw a picture of each of the foods you name. *(Pause for children's suggestions and draw simple pictures. If needed, suggest or give clues of different food.)* Wow! Look at all the food! Now tell me, what kind of food do you like? *(Draw simple pictures of foods the children name.)* Did you name any of the food that Matthew might have made for Jesus? *(Circle any that apply.)* Let me tell you what foods they may have had at Matthew's dinner. Pita-style bread which is flat. Small, salted fish or dried fish. Olives, figs, dates, grapes, pomegranates, and cheese. Have you ever had any of those foods? What are your favorites?"

*After the Activity:* "Jesus asked Matthew to come with Him and be a close friend! And Matthew got up right away and left his tax booth behind. He went home and prepared a festive meal for Jesus. Matthew was so excited that he even invited other tax collectors and friends, so they could meet Jesus too!

Jesus and the disciples sat down to eat with Matthew and all of Matthew's friends. It was a big party, and all of Matthew's friends got to spend time with Jesus. Jesus loved Matthew and his friends, even though they had done wrong things. Jesus loves us too, no matter what. He will never stop caring for us! Who does Jesus care about?"

# Jesus Cares About Everyone

## What You Need:

- “Jesus Cares About Everyone” Activity Page
- Cardstock
- Crayons or washable markers
- Permanent marker

## What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Print “Jesus Cares About Everyone” on cardstock, one per child. Write each child’s name on their paper.

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to color the people on their paper. In the blank spot, ask children to draw themselves.

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

## What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* “Everyone, come to the table and let’s get creative!”

*During the Activity:* “We’ve been learning about the people who Jesus cares about. People in villages, towns, and countrysides. People who are sick, no matter what day of the week. People who have done bad things. People everywhere! Your paper has a lot of different people on it and Jesus cares about every one of them! Color each of the people you see on your paper. *(Pause.)* Great job! There is one space that is waiting for you to draw a really special person—draw you! *(Pause.)* Jesus cares about you because **[Bottom Line] Jesus cares about everyone!** What amazing pictures!”

*After the Activity:* “Jesus loved Matthew and his friends, even though they had done wrong things. Jesus loves us too, no matter what. Who does Jesus care about?”

**[Bottom Line] Jesus cares about everyone!** Who does Jesus care about? **[Bottom Line] Jesus cares about everyone!**”