



Family Time

LIVING AND EXPERIENCING FAITH AT HOME is key to your child's faith formation. After each chapter, your child will bring home "Family Time," a feature that provides essential tools to help you live your faith as a family.

Circle the children who are smiling.

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Chapter 10: I Can Smile
In this lesson the children understand that God wants them to be happy and that means encouraging them to repeat others' happy. Ask your child what about him or her makes others happy. Decide where your child could display the smiling face mentioned in class.

Your Child
Children are excited to see smiles. The activities over this lesson help them and you to smile and laugh together. Encourage your child to smile and laugh with you. Encourage your child to smile and laugh with others. Encourage your child to smile and laugh with you. Encourage your child to smile and laugh with others.

Reflection
Help your child to think of people who smile and how they feel. Encourage your child to smile and laugh with others. Encourage your child to smile and laugh with others.

Prayer
God, love me please you make me happy.

Do:

- To the morning give your child a smile.
- When you are with your child, smile.
- When you are with your child, smile.
- When you are with your child, smile.
- When you are with your child, smile.
- When you are with your child, smile.
- When you are with your child, smile.
- When you are with your child, smile.

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Trace the path from the start to the finish.

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Special Lesson 10: Father's Day
In this lesson the children understand that Father's Day is a time to honor their fathers. Encourage your child to draw a picture of their father and write a message to him. Encourage your child to draw a picture of their father and write a message to him.

Your Child
Ask your child to draw a picture of their father and write a message to him. Encourage your child to draw a picture of their father and write a message to him.

Reflection
Help your child to think of their father and how they feel. Encourage your child to draw a picture of their father and write a message to him.

Prayer
God, love me please you make me happy.

Do:

- Draw a picture of your father and write a message to him.
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This booklet will help you enrich lessons from your child's preschool religion class. The following poems, finger plays, and songs are for your family to enjoy at home. If a craft is to be completed at home, help your child follow the directions.

Chapter 1: I Can Hear

Song

To the tune of "Mary Had a Little Lamb":

I have ears so I can hear, I can hear, I can hear. [Put hands behind ears.]

I have ears so I can hear.

God made me
wonderful!

[Put thumbs in shoulders.]

[Raise arms.]

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Craft

Name Tag (page 1)

Cut out the heart and write your name on the line. Staple or tape yarn or ribbon to the heart so it can be worn.

Chapter 2: I Can See

Song

Same tune as above, using the words:

"I have eyes so I can see."



Craft

Magic Window (perforated Card A)

Decorate the front side of the perforated card with crayons or markers. Punch out the three sides of the rectangle on the card and fold the flap back to make a window to see through.

Chapter 3: I Can Smell

Song

Same tune as above, using the words:

"I've a nose so I can smell."

Craft

Flowers (page 9)

Paint flowers on the stems, using sponges dipped in tempera paint and held with clothespins. (Or print with objects such as lids, cookie cutters, spools, or old toothbrushes.) Glue cotton balls in the center of the flowers and add perfume to them.

Special Lesson 10: Father's Day

Craft

Scroll for Father's Day (page 123)

Write your name on the line. Decorate the scroll. If you wish, glue on a picture of yourself or draw a self-portrait. Roll the scroll and put a rubber band or a piece of ribbon or yarn around it. Give it to your father on Father's Day.

Special Lesson 11: Birthdays

Song

To the tune of "Happy Birthday":

Oh, we thank you we do.

Oh, we thank you we do.

Oh, we thank you, dear God.

Oh, we thank you, we do.



Craft

Birthday Cape (page 127)

Punch holes in the card and tie an 8-inch piece of ribbon to each hole. Write your name on the line. Decorate the cape with crayons or markers or by gluing on magazine pictures of things you enjoy in life. If you wish, staple crepe-paper streamers along the bottom of the cape.

Special Lesson 12: Last Class/Summer

Poem

God Is There

When I run in the sun,
God is there. God is there.

When I fall playing ball,
God cares. God cares.

When I'm sad or I'm glad,
God knows. God knows.

When I mind or I'm kind,
God sees. God sees.

God is with me day and night,
Helping me to do what's right.

I love you, God!

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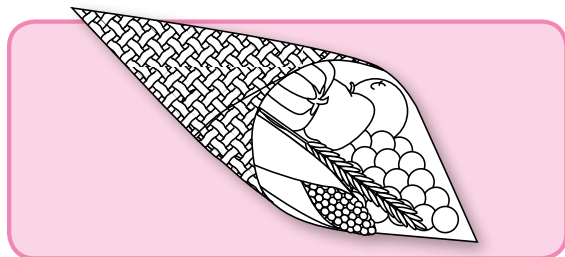


Special Lesson 7: Thanksgiving

Craft

Cornucopia (page 111)

Color or paint the fruits and vegetables. Bend the card to form a horn and staple the sides together.



Special Lesson 8: Valentine's Day

Craft

Valentine (page 115)

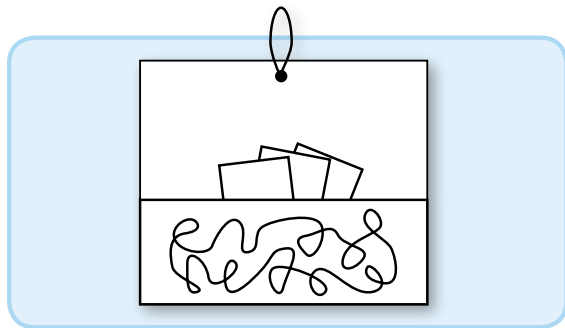
Decorate the card as a giant valentine for someone you love by gluing on scraps of paper, foil, glitter, sequins, rickrack, ribbon, or lace. Sign the card, and if you wish, add Xs and Os to represent kisses and hugs.

Special Lesson 9: Mother's Day

Craft

Notepaper Holder/Mother's Day Card (page 119)

Cut apart the card and the notepaper holder. Decorate the yellow sides of the greeting card and the paper holder by making designs with kitchen objects dipped in tempera paint. When the paint is dry, fold the card and sign it. Fold the holder so that the decoration is on the front. Staple or glue the sides of the holder together. Punch a hole at the top of the paper holder and string yarn or ribbon through it. Put the card in the holder and, if you wish, add some notepaper. Give the gift to your mother on Mother's Day.



Chapter 4: I Can Touch

Song

Same tune as Chapter 1,
using the words:
"I've two hands so I can feel."

Craft

Collage (page 13)

Make a collage by gluing on materials of various shapes, sizes, and textures. Use felt, foil, yarn, paper scraps, wallpaper, or foam pieces.

Chapter 5: I Can Taste

Song

Same tune as Chapter 1, using the words:
"I've a mouth so I can taste."

Craft

Pizza (page 17)

Cut out the four pieces of the card. Mix the pieces up and then arrange them in the order that pizza is made.



Chapter 6: I Can Help

Song

Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes

Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes.

Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes and eyes and ears and mouth and nose.

Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes.

Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes. [Touch hands to respective parts.]

Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes

and eyes and ears and mouth and nose. [Point to respective parts.]

Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes. [Touch hands to respective parts.]

Craft

Medal (page 23)

Cut out the medal and write your name on the line. Then punch a hole at the top and string the medal on a piece of ribbon.

Chapter 7: I Can Care

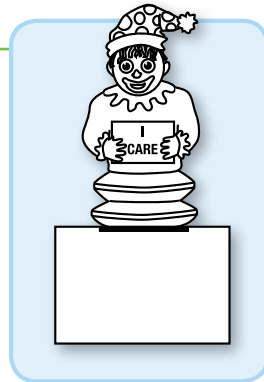
Poem

I'm glad the sky is painted blue
And the earth is painted green,
With such a lot of nice fresh air
All sandwiched in between.

Craft

Jack-in-the-Box (perforated Card B)

Separate the strip. Fold the large section and make a slit in the middle. Decorate the front of the box. Insert Jack in the slit and move him up and down.



Finger Play

God Loves Me

God loves me.
And I love you.
We show love
By what we do.

[Clap, clap, point to self.]

[Clap, clap, point forward.]

[Clap, clap, fold hands over heart.]

[Clap, clap, hold out hands.]

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Special Lesson 5: Easter

Finger Play

Baby Chick

A baby chick came out of an egg— [Make a fist and break through
Its beak, its head, a wing, then a leg. it with the other hand.]
It greeted me with a “peep, peep, peep.”
Then nodded its head and went [Fold hands at side of head.]
to sleep.

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Song

To the tune of “Mary Had a Little Lamb”:

1. I can run for I have life,
I have life, I have life.
I can run for I have life.
Thank you, God, for life.
2. I can hop . . .
3. I can spin . . .
4. I can wave . . .
5. I can jump . . .



Craft

Butterfly (perforated Card L)

Punch out the perforated butterfly and punch holes around the wings. Color the butterfly. Harden the ends of a 30-inch piece of ribbon or yarn by dipping them in glue or wrapping them with tape. Starting at the top, lace the ribbon or yarn through the holes. Tie the ribbon or yarn in a bow at the top.

Special Lesson 6: Pentecost

Craft

Paper fan (pages 107–108)

Decorate and fold the paper fan.



Special Lesson 2: Advent

Song

Love Is Like a Ring

Love is like a ring. — A ring that has no end - ing.

2. God loves you and me. God loves us now and always.

Craft

Advent Wreath (perforated Card K)

Punch out the perforated wreath and punch a hole in the top so it can be hung. Glue green macaroni or squares of green paper on the wreath. Glue or staple a red bow on the wreath. String ribbon or yarn through the hole and tie it so that the wreath can be hung.

Special Lesson 3: Christmas

Poem

Christmas Bells

Ring the bells on Christmas morn.
Tell the news that Jesus is born.
Ring them far. Ring them near.
Ring them loud for all to hear.
Over the world let them sing,
Ding, dong, ding, dong, ding, dong, ding.



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Craft

Christmas Card (page 99)

Color the picture. Put stars in the sky with stickers, crayons, markers, or glitter. Fold the card in half and sign it.

Special Lesson 4: Lent

Finger Play

This is my garden.	[Extend hand, palm up.]
I'll rake it with care.	[Make pulling motion with hands.]
And plant some flower seeds	[Make planting motions with
Right in there.	thumb and index finger.]
The sun will shine,	[Make circle with arms above head.]
The rain will fall.	[Flutter fingers downward.]
And my garden will blossom	[Cup hands;
And grow straight and tall.	raise them slowly.]



Chapter 8: I Can Clean

Craft

Toy Puzzle (perforated Card C)

Separate the pieces, mix them, and then put the puzzle together.

Chapter 9: I Can Share

Craft

A Shared Gift (page 31)

Drop tempera paint on only one side of the line. Then fold over the empty side of the paper onto the paint and press down so that the paint is "shared" with the empty half. Give the card to someone as a gift.

Chapter 10: I Can Smile

Craft

Smiling Face (page 35)

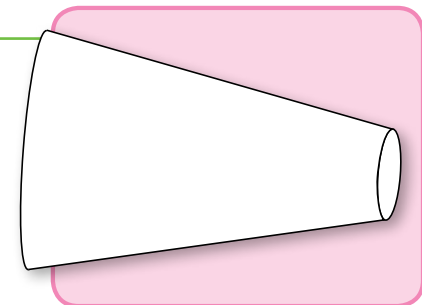
Draw a picture of your happy face in the circle, using crayons or markers. Display your picture so your family can see it.

Chapter 11: I Can Talk

Craft

Megaphone (perforated Card D)

Punch out the megaphone and write your name on it. Decorate it, then staple the ends together.



Chapter 12: I Can Pray

Song

For Health and Strength

For health and strength and dai - ly food we praise your name, O Lord.

Craft

Prayer Book/Doorknob Hanger (perforated Card E)

Separate the two parts. Place your hands on the card with your fingers together and with the dotted line between your thumbs. Have someone trace your hands. (Or make handprints using tempera paint-soaked paper towels as an ink pad.) On the other side of the card draw or glue pictures of things for which you are thankful. Fold the card along the dotted line to form praying hands.

Punch out the circle on the doorknob hanger. Color the sun or glue a yellow felt disk in the circle. Add glitter to the stars. Hang the prayer reminder on a doorknob or wall.

Chapter 13: I Can Sing

Song

Glory to God in the highest! [Sing on one note.]

Craft

Singing Angel (page 43)

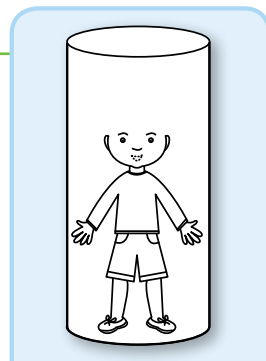
Decorate the angel's robe. Glue glitter on the robe and cotton on the clouds. Fold back the sides of the card so that the angel stands.

Chapter 14: I Can Laugh

Craft

Laughing Child (page 47)

Complete the picture. Add details, such as eyelashes, stripes or flowers on the shirt and socks, and then color the child in. Staple the sides of the card to form a long tube. Glue or staple yarn or ribbon along the top as hair.



Chapter 25: I Can Love

Finger Play

God loves me,
And I love you.
We show love
By what we do.

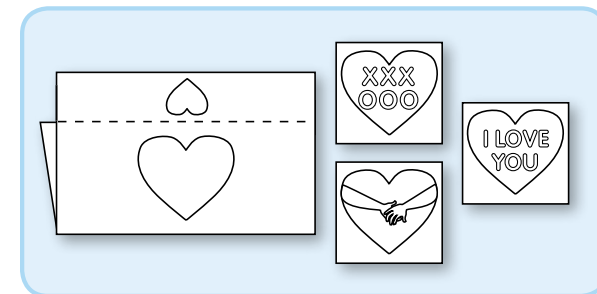
[Clap, clap, point to self.]
[Clap, clap, point forwards.]
[Clap, clap, fold hands over heart.]
[Clap, clap, hold out hands.]

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Craft

Love Pocket (page 91)

Cut out the pocket and the three hearts. Color the hearts on the pocket red and glue pieces of paper doilies on or around the bigger heart. Put glue on the green edges of the pocket and fold up the bottom flap. Fold down the top flap.



Special Lesson 1: Halloween/Feast of All Saints

Song

To the tune of "The Farmer in the Dell":
We're friends of Jesus Christ.
We're friends of Jesus Christ.
Heigh-ho the derry-o.
We're friends of Jesus Christ.

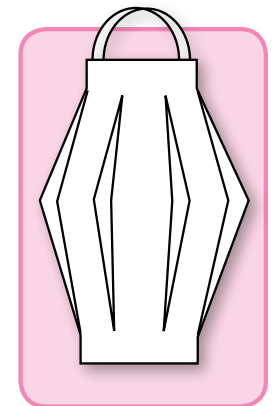
2. We try to be like him . . .
3. Someday we'll be with him . . .

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Craft

Lantern (perforated Card J)

Separate the green strip and fold the card in half lengthwise. Pull apart the perforated lines to make slits in the middle of the card, being careful not to tear the slits to the end of the card. Glue the ends of the lantern together. Glue on the green strip as a handle. Put the lantern out on Halloween night.



Chapter 23: I Can Learn

Poem

One potato, two potato, three potato, four,
Five potato, six potato, seven potato, more.

Song

God Is So Good

God is so good. God is so good.
God is so good. Oh, so good to me.

Craft

Circle (page 85)

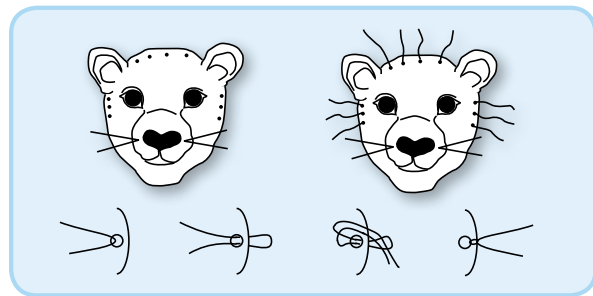
Cut out the circle and write your name on it. Cut along the line on the front to make a spiral, which can be hung.

Chapter 24: I Can Pretend

Craft

Lion (perforated Card I)

Punch out the perforated lion head. Color the eyes and nose black. Fold two pipe cleaners in half and glue them on for whiskers (or draw lines). Glue on strands of yarn for a mane. You might punch at least nine holes around the head and loop an 8-inch piece of yarn in each hole. To loop the yarn, fold a piece of yarn in half and insert the fold into the hole. Open the folded yarn to make a circle and put the tails from the other side through it. Pull the tails to make a knot.



Chapter 15: I Can Celebrate

Finger Play

God is here with us today,
So we say “Hip, hip, hooray!” [Raise arm three times on “Hip, hip, hooray.”]

Craft

Party Hat (perforated Card F)

Punch out the hat and write your name on it. Decorate it with anything green. Staple the hat together. Punch holes where the dots are and tie pieces of yarn on the hat. If you wish, staple green crepe-paper streamers to the top.

Chapter 16: I Can Move

Craft

Tambourine (perforated Card G)

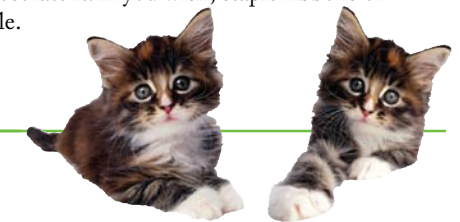
Punch out the tambourine and decorate it. If you wish, staple ribbons or crepe-paper streamers to the circle. Dance with the tambourine.

Chapter 17: I Can Play

Finger Play

Playful Kittens

Five little kittens
Like to run and play.
Five other kittens
Are not far away.



[Move fingers on left hand.]

[Wiggle fingers on right hand.]

Ten little kittens meet,
Having loads of fun.
Along comes a dog,
See those kittens run!

[Move both hands in front of chest.]
[Keep moving fingers.]

[Move arms outward, fingers moving faster.]

Ten little kittens
Scamper up a tree.
Ten little kittens said,
“You can’t catch me!”

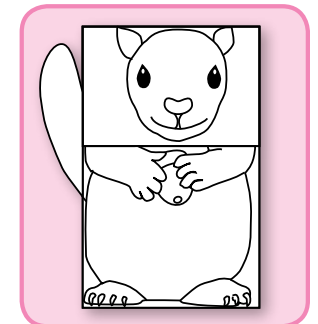
[Move arms over head, fingers moving.]

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Craft

Squirrel (page 57)

Cut out the tail. Staple the squirrel closed along the side and top to form a hand puppet. Then staple on the tail. (To avoid injury, make sure all staples are closed.) Fold the squirrel’s head along the line.

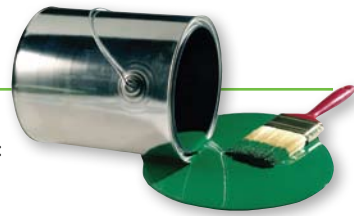


Chapter 18: I Can Work

Song

To the tune of “Did You Ever See a Lassie?”:

1. Did you ever see a carpenter,
carpenter, carpenter?
Did you ever see a carpenter saw
wood like this?
We saw wood and saw wood and
saw wood and saw wood.
Did you ever see a carpenter saw
wood like this?
2. . . . pound nails . . .
3. . . . sand wood . . .
4. . . . paint wood . . .



[Sawing motions]

[Pounding motions]

[Sanding motions]

[Painting motions]

Craft

Framed Picture (page 63)

Make designs or a flower in the frame by gluing on cereal, seeds, rice, colored macaroni, or one-inch squares of colored tissue paper.

Chapter 19: I Can Make Things

Finger Play

What God Made

God made the sun and the great
blue sky.

[Make a circle with arms;
separate arms and raise
hands.]

God made the stars and the moon.
God made lakes and birds that fly.
God made the little raccoon.

[Open and close fingers.]

[Flap arms.]

[Make circles with fingers
around eyes.]

God made mountains and green,
grassy hills.

[Make a peak with hands.]

God made the fish
in the sea.

[Put palms together and
wiggle hands forward.]

God made flowers like daffodils.
But best of all, God made me!

[Pretend to smell flower.]

[Point to self.]

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Craft

Dog (perforated Card H)

Punch out the parts of the perforated card. Fold the card so the dog stands. Glue on the head and tail. Name your dog and write it on the dog tag.

Chapter 20: I Can Grow

Finger Play

When I was a baby
I was very, very small.

[Stoop down and be as small
as possible.]

Today I am just this size.
And someday I'll be tall.

[Stand and raise hand to top of head.]
[Stretch hands high.]

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Craft

Growth Chart (page 71)

Fold the card. On the cover glue a baby picture, draw a picture of yourself, or put a handprint using tempera paint-soaked paper towels. Fill in the chart from time to time.

Chapter 21: I Can Feel

Craft

Feelings Lamb (page 75)

Color the lamb's eyes on each side of the card. Make a smile on the side without a mouth and draw in tears on the other side. Punch a hole in the top and string yarn or ribbon through it. Hang the lamb on a doorknob and turn the card to match your feelings during the day.

Chapter 22: I Can Wish

Craft

Best Wishes Card (page 81)

Fold the card and write your name on it. Color or paint a design on the front of the card. Give the card to someone special.

