

Sunday School Home Activities - Week of July 17, 2022

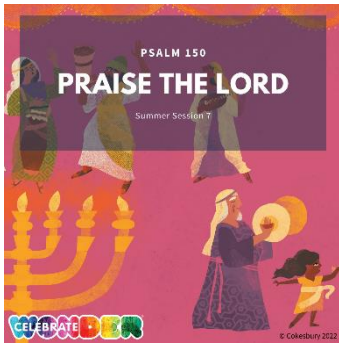


Weekly home activities, great for the whole family, are designed to guide children from Nursery thru 5th grade and their families in Bible stories, engaging activities, spiritual practices, and opportunities for reflection. Pick one to two activities to do with your family each week.

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Welcome to Wonder

Wonder Table - Prepare Ahead: As a family, create a Wonder Table. Find a small table or area in your home. On the table place a candle, a plant or flower, and any other special items you want to include. Use this space while gathering as a family to engage in the lesson or online worship together.



Wonder with Me - READ the Bible Story – Psalm 150.

Read from the Bible or the Celebrate Wonder Bible Storybook or attached handout.

WATCH the Bible Story and Sing with the Celebrate Wonder Music Videos

Watch this week's Celebrate Wonder Video on Amplify Media:

Amplify Media is a resource for our congregation! This will make it easy for you to access 1000's of videos for adults, youth and children. To receive the log in info and our congregation's access code, email kschmucker@faithumchurch.org or text Kathy at 330-224-

6138. Once you have logged into Amplify Media search Celebrate Wonder to watch this week's Celebrate Wonder Video and view the Celebrate Wonder Music Videos! Amplify Media has also added a section called, Cokesbury Kids, to make it easier for you to find all the great resources available for children!

This week's video is Celebrate Wonder Summer 2022 Session 7 Praise the Lord.

SAY: This month we will hear stories about praising God. This week we will read a psalm (a special song) all about playing different instruments to praise God.

WONDER: Do you know how to play an instrument? Is there an instrument you'd like to learn to play?

PRAY: Dear God, we are so grateful for you and all of our blessings. Amen.

Jingle Bell Shaker Bracelet

Supplies: jingle bells, chenille stems

Praise is one of the many ways we say thank you to God. One way we can praise God is through playing music. Let's make some jingle bell shaker bracelets!

- You need 1 chenille stem and 5 jingle bells.
- String the bells onto the chenille stem.
- Twist the ends together to make a bracelet.
- Put on your bracelet and make some music.

Paper Plate Shaker

Supplies: Page 7E, paper plates, pony beads, stapler, glue, crayons, scissors

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- Give each kid a copy of "Shaker Decoration" to color.
- Invite the kids to color the picture and then cut it out.
- Give each child two paper plates with a handful of pony beads in the bottom plate.
- Place the other plate on top so there is a pocket of space in the middle of the plates. Help the kids staple the plates together.
- Help the kids glue their "Shaker Decoration" onto the top paper plate.
- Encourage the kids to shake the instrument to make some music.

Song of Praise

Supplies: Page 7C, pens or pencils

The writer of psalm 150 encourages everyone to praise God through music. The Jewish people would have sung Psalm 150 as a song of praise.

Can you write your own song of praise like the writer of Psalm 150?

- Write your own songs of praise.
- Draw a picture illustrating your song of praise.

SHARE the Faith Word: SPIRIT



Our Faith Word is praise. Praise is one of the many ways we thank God. WONDER together:

- What kind of music makes you feel like praising God?
- What are you thankful for?
- What is your favorite way to praise God?



Examine the Bible Verse

SAY: Our Unit 2 Bible verse is Psalm 150:6. Find it in your Bibles.

ASK: Is Psalms in the Old or New Testament? (Old)

Where is the Book of Psalms located in the Old Testament? (nineteenth book, almost exactly in the center of the Bible)

In what chapter of Psalms is our verse located? (150)

What is the verse number? (6)

SAY: Our Bible verse is all about praising God!

ASK: What's your favorite way to praise God?

- Read the verse together.

Additional Activities Attached for this Week:

- Psalm 150 Coloring Page, Song Writing Activity, Shaker Decoration Craft

Spiritual Practice—Exploring the Praise Through Worship

SAY: A spiritual practice is something we do to help us be present with God. A spiritual practice can be anything because you can be with God anytime, anywhere, and any way! This month we are going to praise God through gratitude.

- Guide everyone through a spiritual practice:

○ SAY: We're going to think about five things we're grateful for. You'll close your eyes and I will say a place. You will think of something you are thankful for at that place.

○ SAY: Get comfortable and close your eyes.

○ SAY: At home, I am grateful for...

○ SAY: At school, I am grateful for...

○ SAY: In nature, I am grateful for...

○ SAY: At church, I am grateful for...

○ SAY: At the park, I am grateful for...

SAY: We can praise God for all of the things we are grateful for.

PRAY: Repeat after me: "God, thank you for our many blessings. Help us always be ready to praise you. Amen."

- Bless everyone. Touch each person as you say this blessing: "May you feel God's love all around you every day."

FAMILY SPIRITUAL PRACTICE - BIBLE PASSAGE: Psalm 150

Wonder: After reading the story from the Bible or from the Celebrate Wonder Bible Storybook, wonder together.

Ask: Why do you think we should praise God with every instrument?

Do: This week, praise God by making or appreciating music.

Pray: Dear God, thank you for reasons to praise you. Amen.

Celebration Chart: Place the chart on your refrigerator, kitchen table, or in an easy-to-access place. Throughout the week, have your child mark a space each time he or she completes an item on the chart. When a vertical, horizontal, or diagonal line is completed, celebrate together! *A Celebration Chart for Summer is included in the June 5 Sunday School Home Activities.*

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Praise the LORD – Psalm 150

1 Praise God in his sanctuary!

Praise God in his fortress, the sky!

2 Praise God in his mighty acts!

Praise God as suits his incredible greatness!

3 Praise God with the blast of the ram's horn!

Praise God with lute and lyre!

4 Praise God with drum and dance!

Praise God with strings and pipe!

5 Praise God with loud cymbals!

Praise God with clashing cymbals!

6 Let every living thing praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD!



Family Spiritual Practice

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Song of Praise – Song Writing Activity

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Shaker Decoration – Craft Activity

Color and cut out this decoration to add to your paper plate shaker.



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Praise the Lord – Coloring Page

The writer of Psalm 150 encourages everyone to praise God through music. How do you like to praise God?

