

## Today's Suggested Schedule—March 2026, Week 5

**Monthly Bible Story:** Palm Sunday. • *Matthew 21:1-11; John 12:12-15*

**Bible Words:** “*We have seen amazing things today!*” (*Luke 5:26 NLT*).

**Bottom Line:** Jesus is amazing.

### Story Time

#### What You Need:

- Preschool Bible
- Scarves (only green if possible)

**LEADER:** “Hello, friends! I’m so glad to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today’s true story from the Bible (*hold up the Bible*) begins with Jesus and His friends, the disciples. They were walking to the city of Jerusalem. But on this day, Jesus rode on a little donkey into Jerusalem.

“The people in Jerusalem were so excited Jesus was coming to their town. They made a special path on the road with coats and palm branches. When Jesus walked on the path, people waved palm branches in the air and shouted: ‘Hosanna! Hosanna! Yay, Jesus!’ Let’s celebrate Jesus like they did. (*Give each child a scarf.*) Wave your scarves like this. (*Demonstrate.*) ‘Hosanna! Hosanna! Yay, Jesus!’ **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing,** and we can celebrate Jesus like the people in our story!”

## **Craft Time**



### **What You Need:**

- “Handprint Palm Branch” Activity Page
- Green dot markers or green crayons
- Baby wipes
- Permanent marker

### **What You Do:**

*Before the Activity:* Write each child’s name on their paper.

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to press their dot markers on paper to fill in the leaf. Set aside to dry.

### **What You Say:**

*During the Activity:* “Today is Palm Sunday, and we’re going to make our very own palm branch like the people in our story. See the green dot markers? *(Point.)* Press your dot marker on the leaves. *(Pause.)* Press your paper a few more times. *(Pause.)* And hooray! *You just created a beautiful palm branch. I’ll set it over here to dry, and you can take it home today. (Set aside out of reach.)* Jesus was coming to Jerusalem! Everyone was so excited! The people made a path of coats and palm branches, and Jesus rode a donkey over them. Some people even waved palm branches and shouted ‘Hosanna, Hosanna! Yay, Jesus!’ The people celebrated Jesus, and you can too because **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing!**”