Community Little Kids

PreK Lesson Plan

November 15, 2026

God Gives Me Friends—We Are Connected
Bible Story: Unity in Jesus (Ephesians 2:11-22)
Theme Verse: "A friend loves at all times." Proverbs 17:17a

Share: Today's Bible story from Ephesians 2 will teach kids that when we follow Jesus, we are connected with others. We become part of the same family-God's Family. Kids will learn that we can live in unity when we remember God made us to be united as one. We can be like him-loving, forgiving, kind, and helping.

Pray: Lead the group in prayer, asking God to help kids discover the incredible connection they can have with one another.

Pre-Service- Teachers choose playlister and start the preservice slide with music, Co-Teacher/volunteers: Arrival time, please use either one of these options as kids arrive for the morning to build relationships with kids and encourage them to build relationships with one another.

Pre-Service- any extra activities provided, preservice coloring pages and allow kids to have playtime.

Leader Tip: Announce a 2-3 minute signal before asking them to clean up their toys. Giving your group a mental head start will begin to cue their minds for what is next.

Clean-up time:

What to do: Teacher plays a clean-up song, encouraging all kids to help get things put away and ready for service.

Service

Teacher Opener:Hey-o! How is everyone doing today? If you are happy to be here, can I get an air fist bump? *(Allow kids to respond.)* Now I want you to turn to a neighbor and give your neighbor a fist bump. *(Allow kids to give their neighbors a fist bump.)*

Awesome! Now repeat after me: I am glad you are here! *(I am glad you are here!)* Woo-hoo! Now I want you to buddy up with someone in the room who is wearing the same color as you. *Buddy up* means to find a friend and stand beside them. Give that buddy a fist bump and tell them you are glad they are here. *(Allow time for kids to move around the room and greet friends.)* Awesome! Thank you for greeting your friends. We have so many buddies in the room today. I am so glad you are here—and you and you and you! *(Enthusiastically point to everyone in the room.)*

Worship Song #1: Teachers, Co-Teachers, and volunteers worship with the kids, modeling what it looks like to give God our praise. Stand in the front of the room, or next to the kids-but not in the back.

Bible Story Video

What to do: Play the bible story video and use the script below after the video to help make the connection for the kids.

Making the connection script: Today we learned that we are all connected to one another because of Jesus. In our Bible story a man named Paul wrote a letter to the Gentiles and explained that because of Jesus we are connected to one another and are a part of God's family. It has been so great being with you today, friends! I loved seeing your smiling faces today.

Let's all stand and sing one last song to God together today!

Worship Song #2: Teachers, co-teachers, and volunteers worship with the kids, modeling what it looks like to give God our praise. Stand in the front of the room, or next to the kids-but not in the back.

Memory Verse Video:

Let's stand up together and learn our Theme Verse!

Theme Verse Motions:

A friend loves *(Point out with both thumbs, then cross arms in front of chest.)*
at all times. *(Point to left wrist.)*
Proverbs 17:17a *(Hold hands out like a book.)*

Small Group Time:

Option #1: Preschoolers will work together to make a paper chain.

Craft Instructions:

1. Before the session, cut construction paper into 1-inch-wide strips, at least one per child.
2. Instruct preschoolers to decorate their chain strips with stickers and crayons.
3. Link strips of paper through one another to create a chain. Staple or tape the links together.

What To Do: Today's Super Clue is plastic links. What is today's Super Clue? *(Plastic links.)* Awesome! We are going to make a paper chain using these strips of paper to remind us of our Super Clue. I want you to decorate your chain links with crayons and stickers. Once you finish decorating your paper strips, we will link them together to make our paper chain.

Loud And Clear: I love how we worked together to create this paper chain. That's what friends do—they work together, which means they help each other. Our Super Clue reminds us that we are all connected to one another if we trust in Jesus and follow Him. God gives us friends that we can buddy up with.

Option #2: Alphabet floor puzzle as a group, giving each kid a piece of the puzzle to complete.

Option #3: Coloring sheet provided.

Close out in Prayer:

What to do:

- Ask for any specific prayer requests.
- Pray with the group.
- Lead the group in prayer below.

God, thank You for making us a part of Your family. Thank You that Jesus came so we can be forgiven and connected to You in a friendship forever. Amen.

Closing: Work with your teacher to dismiss the kids in a fun, manageable, and safe way. As kids leave, make sure they have all the crafts and papers. Share with the person picking them up something positive you observed today. Invite them back next week.