Community Little Kids

PreK Lesson Plan

November 29, 2026

God Gives Me Friends—We Follow Jesus Together
Bible Story: Living in Community (1 Peter 2:1-17)
Theme Verse: "A friend loves at all times." Proverbs 17:17a

Share: Our Bible story this week demonstrates that we follow Jesus together, not in isolation. In 1 Peter 2, Peter wrote that people who follow Jesus are being built up into a spiritual household. They help each other follow God, stay away from sin, and live in ways that point others to God. Kids will learn that members of God's household are different because they help each other follow God and live the way God made them to live.

Pray: Lead the group in prayer, thanking God that your team gets to follow Jesus together.

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: Hello, friends! I am glad to see each of your smiling faces here today! It is Hooray Day! Everyone, say, “Hooray!” *(Hooray!)* Hooray Day is a special day where we celebrate God. Before we start, let’s do some stretches to get warmed up and ready for the fun day. Stretch your arms high to the ceiling and then bend down and touch your toes. Let’s do this five times. I will count each time for us. 1-2-3-4-5! Awesome! Now let’s run in our spots for 10 seconds. Try to stay in the same place where you are standing while you run. Watch me. *(Show how to run in place.)* OK, let’s run in place! I will time us. *(Time preschoolers for 10 seconds.)* Alright, now let’s say our Hooray Day cheer together. *(Say the Hooray Day cheer using the motions provided.)* I will say it first, and you can say it after me. Ready? Let’s cheer!

Hip, hip, hooray! *(Hip, hip, hooray!)*
At church I learn and play! *(At church I learn and play!)*
God’s love never ends, *(God’s love never ends,)*
And He gives me friends! *(And He gives me friends!)*

Great job saying our Hooray Day cheer, everyone! I think we are ready for a great Hooray Day!

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: We have had so much fun together today! In our Bible story we learned that Peter wrote a letter reminding churches to be strong as they followed Jesus together. Peter told them to keep growing in what they know about God and to work together to show God’s love to people in the world. We learned that **we follow Jesus together.** Let’s say that together. Ready? **“We follow Jesus together!”** Great! Let’s go to Team Time! I hope you have a great Hooray Day!

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 use tissue paper squares to make a Super Clue mosaic.

Big Goal: Remember what is super about the Super Clue.

Leader Prep: Print "Celebrate God Confetti Art" printables, one per child.

Craft Instructions:

1. Before the session, print "Celebrate God Confetti Art" printables, one per child.
2. Give each child a printable, glue stick, crayons, and tissue paper squares.
3. Assist preschoolers in balling up the tissue paper squares.
4. Encourage preschoolers to glue the balled-up tissue paper squares on the windows to decorate their churches.
5. Invite preschoolers to color their churches with crayons.

What To Do: Hooray! Let's make a craft to remind us of our Super Clue, a church building. What is our Super Clue today? *(A church building!)* That's right! It is a church building. We can come to church and celebrate God. We can also come to church and see friends who follow Jesus. I am going to pass out a picture of our Super Clue. You are going to ball up pieces of tissue paper, like this. *(Demonstrate.)* Then you can glue the balled-up tissue paper squares on the windows to decorate your church. You will spread the glue on your picture first and then stick the tissue paper on the glue. This is yours to take home, so make it your own. When you finish with the windows, you can color the rest of the church building. I can't wait to see your beautiful pieces of art!

Loud And Clear: You did such an awesome job making these Super Clue pieces of art! You can take these home and tell someone about our Super Clue, a church building. A church building reminds us that we can come together and celebrate God. There is room for everyone in God's family!

Option#2: Preschoolers will say the Theme verse one word at a time while trying to keep a balloon in the air.

Big Goal: Remember the Theme verse.

Leader Prep: Print and post the "Allergy Alert" printable where grown-ups can see it at drop-off for any preschoolers with latex allergies or sensitivities. Inflate the balloon.

Game Instructions:

1. Before the session, print and post the "Allergy Alert" printable where grown-ups can see it at drop-off for any preschoolers with latex allergies or sensitivities. Inflate a balloon.
2. Toss the balloon in the air for preschoolers to tap to keep it in the air.
3. Say a word from the Theme verse in sequential order with each tap of the balloon.

What To Do: Today is all about celebrating! Since we are celebrating our special day, I think we should use a balloon to play our Theme verse game. We are going to play "Balloon Toss!" What are we going to toss in the air? *(A balloon!)* Right! As we toss the balloon in the air, we will say the next word in our Theme verse. This will be a fun way to practice our Theme verse. Before we get started, I'll say our Bible verse one more time. Our Theme verse is, "A friend loves at all times." (Proverbs 17:17a) Are you ready? *(Yes!)* Let's play "Balloon Toss!"

A friend loves *(A friend loves)*
at all times. *(at all times.)*
Proverbs 17:17a *(Proverbs 17:17a)*

Keep It Going: Consider passing the balloon around the circle while saying the Theme verse or try saying the verse before the balloon touches the ground.

Loud And Clear: I am so thankful God's Word, the Bible, tells us all about how to live. Our Theme verse tells us that one way we can be a friend is to show love at all times. We can show love to our friends and show them the love of Jesus.

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 so much for our church. Thank You for the people who lead us and teach us more about You. Thank You that we can follow You together. 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.