

Today's Suggested Schedule—August 30, 2026

Today's Bible Story: God Loves Me • John 3:16, 1 John 4:9-10

God loves us so much that He gave us Jesus.

Key Question: Who made you wonderful?

Bottom Line: God made me wonderful.

Memory Verse: *How you made me is amazing and wonderful.* • Psalm 139:14 NIRV

First Look Pinterest Page

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SERVICE DURATION (75-80 MINUTES)

9:15am/11:00am thru 10:35am/12:20pm

ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING SMALL GROUP (30-35 minutes)

SOCIAL: Providing Time for Fun Interaction

Early Arriver /

Opening Activity

LARGE GROUP (10-15 minutes)

WORSHIP: Inviting People to Respond to God

STORY: Communicating God's Truth in Engaging Ways

- Introduce Monthly Theme Poster
- Review Monthly Bottom Line Poster
- Play video:
 - a. Worship (Songs-Video)
 - b. Teaching (Clubhouse - Video)
 - c. Review Monthly Memory Verse

SMALL GROUP: (25-30 minutes)

- Reinforcement Activities

TAKE HOME:

Monthly Placem

Social

Providing Time for Fun Interaction

1. Forever Moves

Made to Move

What You Need:

- ☐ No supplies needed

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Gather children in an open area with plenty of space to move.

During the Activity: Call out different actions for the children to do.

After the Activity: Introduce the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Hello, friends! I have a question for you today. Can you do something FOREVER? Forever is a long, long, long time. Let's play a game and see!"

During the Activity: "First, let's try to JUMP forever! Ready? Let's start jumping! Jump, jump, jump! Keep going! Can you jump forever? *(After 10-15 seconds)* Phew! I'm getting tired. Let's stop. Jumping forever is hard! Okay, let's try to SPIN forever! Stand up and spin, spin, spin! *(Spin for a few seconds.)* Whoa, I'm getting dizzy! Let's stop. Spinning forever is hard, too! Let's try one more! Can you hop on one foot forever? Let's try! Hop, hop, hop! This is really tricky! Let's stop. You were all amazing movers!"

After the Activity: "Doing something forever is impossible for us! But our Bible Story today is about something very special that DOES last forever. Let's go hear what it is!"

Move to worship and story and play August 30th Videos

Groups

Creating a Safe Place to Connect

1. You are Amazing and Wonderful

Hear from God | Memory Verse Review

What You Need:

- ☐ Red butcher paper
- ☐ Painter's tape

Note: You can find examples of hand motions in the "Memory Verse Hand Motions" PDF and video, and on Pinterest.

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Cut a long piece of red butcher paper and place it on the floor in an open area of the room. Secure to the floor with tape. Have children stand along both sides of the carpet. Say the Memory Verse and do the motions together with the children.

During the Activity: Encourage children to take turns walking down the red carpet as the children along the sides say the Memory Verse together. Continue until each child has a turn.

After the Activity: Connect the Memory Verse to the Bottom Line.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Friends, come stand on each side of this big red paper with me. Let's say our verse and do the motions together. Everyone ready? Let's go! 'How you (*point up*) made me (*point to self*) is amazing and wonderful' (*push hands up twice*). Psalm 139:14 (*open hands like a book*). Woo-hoo! Because God made us so amazing and wonderful, we are going to have our own red-carpet celebration to celebrate each one of you!"

During the Activity: "We are going to take turns walking down this special red carpet. While one friend is walking, the rest of us are going to be the 'fans'! Our job is to cheer and say our Memory Verse for them!

"Okay, [child's name], you're first! Walk down the red carpet! (*As the child walks, lead the other children in saying the verse and cheering.*) Let's say it for our friend! 'How you made me is amazing and wonderful! Psalm 139:14. YAY, [child's name]! You are amazing and wonderful! (*When the child reaches the end, give them a high-five and have them join the cheering line. Continue until every child has had a turn to walk the red carpet.*)

After the Activity: "That was the best red carpet ever! It feels so good to be celebrated! Our verse and our true Bible Story remind us that God celebrates YOU. He made you, He loves you, and He thinks you are amazing and wonderful! **Who made you wonderful? [Bottom Line] God made me wonderful!"**

EveryChild Pro-Tips:

- For a child who is shy or hesitant, they can walk the red carpet holding hands with a leader or a friend.
- Ensure the paper is taped down securely to avoid tripping or catching on wheels.

2. Pass the Present

Talk about God | Bible Story Review

Made to Play

What You Need:

- ☐ "Pass the Present" Activity Page
- ☐ Cardstock
- ☐ Spring-loaded clothespins
- ☐ Double-sided tape
- ☐ Scissors

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "Pass the Present" on cardstock, one per Small Group. Fold along the line and attach the two sides with double-sided tape. Gather children together in a circle on the floor. Give each child a clothespin.

During the Activity: Leader clips their clothespin to the present side and turns to the child on their right. That child will clip the picture with their clothespin and leader will unclip their clothespin. The child will turn to their right and repeat the process. Encourage children as they pass and give direction as needed. Continue until the present has made it all the way back around. Repeat as time and interest allow.

After the Activity: Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Come on over and sit with me! Our true Bible Story reminds us that God gave us the very best gift ever. Let's play a game with this special present!"

During the Activity: "This present is so special, let's pass it in a special way using only our special clothespin grabbers. (*Demonstrate how to pinch the present with your clothespin.*) We're going to pass the present all the way around the circle. Ready? Here it comes! (*Pass the present to the child to your right.*) Now that you've clipped the present, I'll take my clothespin off and you can pass the present to the friend next to you. (*Pause.*) Great job! Now, once they are holding the present with their clothespin, unclip yours. (*Pause.*) Keep it going until it gets all the way back to me. (*Pause.*) Friends, this special present is for each of us. (*Hold up the picture of Jesus.*) It's Jesus! God gave us the best gift when He gave us His Son, Jesus!"

After the Activity: "God made the whole world and everything in it! God made you; God loves you, and God gave His Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever. **Who made you wonderful? [Bottom Line] God made me wonderful!**"

3. Journal and Prayer

Pray to God | Prayer Activity

Made to Reflect

What You Need:

- ☐ “Memory Verse Card” from Week One in your Bible
- ☐ Journal
- ☐ Fun-shaped pen
- ☐ Self-inking heart stamp
- ☐ Rewards sticker or handstamp

Note: You can find examples of hand motions in the “Memory Verse Hand Motions” PDF and video, and on Pinterest.

What You Do:

Before the Activity: If you do not have the “Memory Verse Card,” print it on cardstock and place it in your Bible at 139:14.

Encourage the children to give themselves a great big bear hug as they walk to your Small Group spot then sit down and gather the children around you.

During the Activity: Review the Bible Story and the Memory Verse Hand Motions. Write GOD in big letters on the journal page. Ask each child to stamp a heart in the journal around the word. Write their name next to or inside the heart that child stamped.

After the Activity: Pray with the children using the list you made in the journal.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “It’s Small Group time! Today we learned that God loves us so much He gave us Jesus to be our friend forever! Let’s give ourselves a great big bear hug as we walk to our Small Group spot. (Pause.) Hooray! We made it all the way to our Small Group spot giving ourselves the best hug ever! Now, one, two, three sit down with me.”

During the Activity: (Open the Bible and lay it in front of the children.) “In our Bible Story today, we learned that God made the whole world and everything in it! God made you; God loves you, and God gave His Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever. Jesus will never stop being your friend, and that makes Jesus the best gift there ever could be. Jesus is a gift for every person God made. And God made every single one of you. God loves us so much that God gave us Jesus. **Who made you wonderful? [Bottom Line] God made me wonderful.**

“The Bible verse we are learning helps us remember what to do. It says: ‘How you (*point up*) made me (*point to self*) is amazing and wonderful’ (*push hands up twice*). Psalm 139:14 (*open hands like a book*). Now do what I do and say what I say. ‘How you (*point up*) made me (*point to self*) is amazing and wonderful’ (*push hands up twice*). Psalm 139:14 (*open hands like a book*). Great job, everyone! God’s greatest, most special creation is you! **Who made you wonderful? [Bottom Line] God made me wonderful.** That was wonderful! (*Two thumbs up*.) I think you’re ready to say that verse all by yourself. I want everyone to sit down, and we will take turns saying it. Who wants to go first? I have a sticker/stamp for everyone who tries to say the Bible verse! (*Hold up stamp/stickers*.) Way to go,

[child's name]! *(Give two thumbs up.)* You get a stamp/sticker! *(Say and do this with each child as they try and say the Bible verse.)* I'm very proud of you for trying to say that Bible verse. When I count to three, I want everyone to stand up and point to your stamp/sticker. One, two, three! *(Pause to look.)* Yay! *(Clap.)*

(Open journal.) "Our Bible Story today tells us about the most amazing gift. It tells us that God loves us SO much that He gave us His Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever! That is the best gift ever. I have a very important question for us to answer in our journal today. Will you help me answer? The question is: Who loves you SO much that He gave you Jesus to be your friend forever? What do you think the answer is? *(Pause and let children respond.)* That's right! It's GOD! God loves you that much! I'm going to write that big, beautiful answer right here in our journal: GOD! *(Write GOD in big letters.)* We're not finished yet. When I call your name, I want you to add a heart stamp somewhere on the page around the word God. [Child's name], come stamp a heart. *(Pause and write child's name in or under their heart.)* God loves you and made you wonderful. *(Continue with each child. Remember to print as you write in the journal so the children can recognize their names and the letters.)*

After the Activity: (Hold up the journal.) "This page in our journal is filled with hearts, and hearts make us think of love. God loves us so much that He gave us Jesus to be our friend forever! Let's pray and talk to God and thank Him for giving us Jesus. Would anyone like to pray before I pray? *(Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.)*

"Dear God, thank You for loving us SO much that You gave us the very best gift, Your Son, Jesus. And thank You that Jesus wants to be our friend forever. Help us to always remember how much You love us, because You made us wonderful. We love You. In Jesus' name, Amen."