



Preschool Leader Guide

November 2 – **Pre-K & Kindergarten**

Monthly Theme: God Gives Me Friends

Today's "Big Deal" Theme Tie: God Welcomes Us

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Activity:

Preschoolers will take turns building and knocking down foam towers.

Big Goal: Celebrate every child.

Supplies:

Foam blocks 20-30 per group

Beanbags 3-5 per group

Script: Hello, friends! My name is _____, and I am so glad you are here. I love building block towers and knocking them over. How about you? *(Allow responses.)* We are going to take turns helping each other build a tower out of blocks, then knocking the tower over by tossing beanbags at it. If you are ready to play, let me hear you say, "Build it together!" *(Build it together!)* Great job! Let's play!

It was so much fun to see you celebrate with your friends and work together to build and knock down towers. We can celebrate each other because we all belong here and are a part of our team.

Countdown Video:

Play Countdown Video

Welcome Video:

Play Welcome Video

Music Video:

Script: *(Invite preschoolers to count down with you and the video.)* 5-4-3-2-1! I am so excited to see you here today. We are going to have a lot of fun! Let's all say, "Jump in!" Ready? "Jump in!" If you are excited to be here, let me see you jump as high as you can. *(Allow responses.)* Wow! Now let me see you stand up and jump as small as you can. *(Allow responses.)* I could

barely see some of you jump since your moves were so small! Turn to a friend near you, and give him two thumbs-up to let him know you are glad he is here today. Then turn and face me, and let me see your two thumbs-up. *(Allow responses.)* Awesome! Today we are learning that we can jump in and be a friend!

Let's all sing a song of praise to God and celebrate together.

Play Theme Song Video.

Super Clue & Bible Story Video:

Supplies:

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Wacky Waver" printable 1 per group

Wacky Waver 1 per group (optional)

Bible 1 per group

Big Deal Motions:

Jump In! *(Make a small hop forward.)*

God Gives Me Friends! *(Bring hands together in front of you.)*

Script: There is so much to be excited about today, and one of those things is that you are here! Let's welcome our friends. When we are welcome, it means we all belong. We can welcome friends by looking at them and saying, "I'm so glad you are here!" Let's do that now. Ready? *(I am so glad you are here!)* When we welcome someone, we tell them and show them that they are important. We do this with our friends. This makes me think of our Big Deal. Our Big Deal teaches us an important truth about God. Today's Big Deal is, "Jump In! God Gives Me Friends!" Let's say that together. I will say it first, and you can say it after me. *(Use motions above as you say the Big Deal.)* Jump In! *(Jump In!)* God Gives Me Friends! *(God Gives Me Friends!)* Great job! We are all friends here, and we are all welcome. Let's say, "**God welcomes us,**" together. Ready? 3-2-1! "**God welcomes us!**" Super!

Hold on. Did you hear that? Do you know what that sound means? *(Allow responses.)* There is a new Super Clue in our Super Box. Our Super Box holds a Super Clue that connects to today's Big Deal, "Jump In! God Gives Me Friends!" *(Do motions as you say the Big Deal.)* I wonder what our Super Clue might be. Let's open up the Super Box and see!

(Open the Super Box and pull out the physical Super Clue or Super Clue printable.)

This is so exciting! Today's Super Clue is a wacky waver. These make me smile because they are so very wacky. Have you seen one before outside a store? They move around so crazy. I wonder how a wacky waver connects to our Big Deal, "Jump In! God Gives Me Friends!" Oh, I know! Let's send the Super Clue to our friends, the Super Crew, at the Clubhouse. They will know how to help.

(Place Super Clue back in Super Box.)

We can count down and press the "Go" button to send the Super Clue to the Super Crew. When I say, "Go," I'll press the button on this Super Box. You can pretend to press the button by pressing one hand on top of the other, like this. *(Hold one palm faceup and press the other palm to it facedown, like pressing a button.)*

Ready? 3-2-1 Go!

Play Bible Story Video.

Screen: *(To screen)* That was amazing! Thanks, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) Jesus told a story about an amazing party. When the party guests did not come, the man throwing the party sent his servant out to welcome everyone in. Many were invited, but they had to say yes to the invitation. Jesus wanted people to know that everyone is welcome to a friendship with God, but they have to say yes to the invitation.

Today's Super Clue is a wacky waver. It helps us remember that **God welcomes us**. A wacky waver welcomes people into a store. God welcomes us to have a friendship with Him, but we have to say yes to the invitation. Let's say our Big Deal one more time. Ready? Jump In! *(Jump In!)* God Gives Me Friends! *(God Gives Me Friends!)* Great job!

We can talk and listen to God by praying. Let's thank God for giving us friends and welcoming us. Let's all close our eyes so we can focus on God. Ready? 3-2-1

God, thank You for giving us friends. Thank You for welcoming us all to have a friendship with You when we say yes to the invitation. Help us welcome our friends the way You welcome us. In Jesus' name, amen.

Game:

Preschoolers will work in teams to retrieve blocks from buckets.

Big Goal: Remember the Bible story.

Leader Prep: Make sure the playing area is cleared of any tripping hazards. Place blocks (or beanbags) in a pile on one side of the room.

Supplies:

Buckets 2 per group

Blocks Enough to fill the bucket

Beanbags Enough to fill the bucket (optional)

Script: Today we are learning that God gives us friends. God gives us what? *(Friends!)* Yes! Friends are great to play games with. We will have two teams in this game. *(Form two teams of preschoolers.)* Each team will line up by a bucket. Your team of friends will take turns jumping down to the pile of blocks, picking up a block, jumping back to your team's line, and then placing the block in your team's bucket. As a friend completes her turn, cheer for her by calling your friend by name and saying, "____ *(friend's name)*, jump in! ____ *(friend's name)*, jump in!"

Wow! It made me smile to see you each cheering on your friends and welcoming them as they completed the game. In today's Bible story we learned about God welcoming everyone. When the party guests did not come, the man sent his servant out to welcome everyone in. God gives us friends and welcomes all of us into His kingdom, but we have to say yes to the invitation. That is super!

Theme Verse Video:

Theme Verse Motions:

Encourage one another. *(Scoop both hands from the outside in, ending pushing up.)*

1 Thessalonians 5:11a *(Hold hands out like a book.)*

Script: We can learn about how God gives us friends when we look in the Bible. Our Theme verse comes from the Bible. Today's Theme verse is found in 1 Thessalonians. Let me show you where that verse is in the Bible. (*Open the Bible to 1 Thessalonians 5:11a. Turn the Bible for preschoolers to see and point to the verse.*) Let's watch a video that helps us learn our Theme verse.

Craft:

Preschoolers will make cards to encourage family members and friends.

Big Goal: Remember the Bible story.

Leader Prep: Fold pieces of paper in half to make a card, one per child. Make a few sample cards.

Supplies:

Construction paper 1 per child

Stickers Several per child

Markers or crayons Several per child

"Encouragement Card Instructions & Example" printable 1 per group

Craft Instructions:

1. Before the session, fold pieces of paper in half to make a card, one per child. Make a few sample cards.
2. Give each preschooler a folded sheet of paper.
3. Invite boys and girls to decorate a card for a family member or friend.
4. Assist preschoolers in adding the name of the person the card is for and in writing their names on the card.

Script: Today we are learning that God gives us friends. Let's make a card together. Let's make a what? (*A card!*) Good! You are going to make a card for someone in your family or for a friend to encourage them. When we encourage someone, we say something nice or kind. Think of who you want to make your card for, and then decorate it with markers or crayons and stickers. We can help you write your name and the name of the person you are making your card for, and then you can take it home and give it to them as a way to encourage them.

God gives us friends, and He wants us to encourage our friends with kind and helpful words. In our Bible story today, the man throwing a big party sent his servant to find the people he had

invited. When the party guests did not come in, the man sent his servant out to welcome everyone in. God welcomes you too. If you are thankful that God welcomes you, let me see you jump. *(Allow responses.)* Great job!

Room Refresh & Clean Up:

Script: Okay friends, it is time for us to clean up! Let's walk around the room and find objects and toys that are out of place. We need to see where they belong and put them back! Look at the pictures around the room to help. This is an important way to show our love for our church.

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Pick Up Time:

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Today's "Big Deal" Theme Tie: God Connects us

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Activity:

Supplies:

Blocks 5-10 per child

Toy people figures 3-5 per group

Script: Hi, everyone! It is so good to see you today. We are going to do an activity, and we need your help. This activity is called "Build a Road." What is it called? (*Build a Road!*) Great! We have this group of people who need to travel to the other side of the room, and they need a road to travel on. Let's build a road so they can travel. As you build, share the blocks with your friends so they can help too.

God gives us friends, and we need to share with our friends. It made me smile to see how well you shared the blocks with your friends and worked together to build a road. Look at a friend and say, "Thank you, friend, for sharing with me!" (*Thank you, friend, for sharing with me!*)

Countdown Video:

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Welcome Video:

Play Welcome Video

Music Video:

Script: (*Invite preschoolers to count down with you and the video.*) 5-4-3-2-1! Hello, everyone! My name is ____, and I am so glad you are here today. I am ready to jump into some fun! Everyone, let's stand up and get warmed up together. Let me see just how ready you are today. When I say, "Jump!" I want you to jump in place as fast as you can. If you are ready say, "Ready!" (*Ready!*) Here we go! Jump! (*Invite preschoolers to jump.*) Wow! You can jump really fast. Great job!

Let's sing a song about how God gives us friends. Ready? Let's stand up and sing our Theme song.

Play Theme Song Video.

Super Clue & Bible Story Video:

Supplies:

Super Box 1 per group

“Super Clue: Walking Rope” printable 1 per group

Walking Rope 1 per group (optional)

Bible 1 per group

Big Deal Motions:

Jump In! *(Make a small hop forward.)*

God Gives Me Friends! *(Bring hands together in front of you.)*

Script: Today we are learning that **God connects us**. God gives us special friendships with our friends and the people in our family. That reminds me of our Big Deal. A Big Deal teaches us an important truth about God. Today’s Big Deal is, “Jump In! God Gives Me Friends!” Let’s say that together. I will say it first, and you can say it after me. *(Use motions above as you say the Big Deal.)* Jump In! *(Jump In!)* God Gives Me Friends! *(God Gives Me Friends!)* Great job!

Did you hear that? That sound means there is a new Super Clue in the Super Box! A Super Clue helps us learn more about our Big Deal, “Jump In! God Gives Me Friends!” What do you think is in the Super Box? Let’s look inside and see!

(Open the Super Box and pull out the physical Super Clue or Super Clue printable.)

Oh, wow! Do you know what this is? If you think you know, give me a thumbs-up. *(Allow responses.)* It is a walking rope. When you go on a walk with your friends at preschool or at church, you might use a walking rope. I wonder how this walking rope connects to our Big Deal, “Jump In! God Gives Me Friends!” Oh, I know! Let’s send it to the Super Crew in the Clubhouse. They will know how to help.

(Place Super Clue back in the Super Box.)

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Ready? 3-2-1 Go!

Play Bible Story Video.

Script: *(To screen)* Thanks, Super Crew and Bark! You are always so helpful!

(To preschoolers) In our Bible story today, a man named Saul started following Jesus. Saul wanted to join Jesus' friends, the disciples, but they were afraid of him. The disciples thought Saul was tricking them because he used to hurt people who followed Jesus. Barnabas believed Saul and was a friend to him. God led Saul and Barnabas to be connected in friendship so they could tell others about Jesus together. The churches began to grow because more and more people were following Jesus.

Our Super Clue today is a walking rope. It reminds us that there is a place for everyone and that we can be connected to one another. God gives us friends to be connected to, and God invites us all into a friendship with Him when we follow Jesus.

Let's say our Big Deal together again. I'll say it first, and you say it after me. Ready? Jump In! *(Jump In!)* God Gives Me Friends! *(God Gives Me Friends!)* Great job! God gives us friends and connects us to friends.

Let's pray and thank God for connecting us to friends. When we pray, we are talking and listening to God. Ready? Let's pray in 3-2-1.

God, thank You for the true story in the Bible about how Barnabas helped connect Saul to other people who believed in You. Thank You for connecting us to friends and for inviting all of us into a friendship when we choose to follow You. Amen.

Game:

Preschoolers will follow directions as they reach, bend, and jump.

Big Goal: Remember the Bible story.

Script: Let's play a game called "Reach, Bend, Jump." What is our game called? *(Reach, Bend, Jump!)* Great job! When I say, "Reach," I want you to reach your arms up to the sky. When I say, "Bend," I want you to bend your knees. When I say, "Jump," jump up in the air. Are you ready to play? Let's do it! Ready? Jump!

Great job playing “Reach, Bend, Jump!” Let’s all say “Jump in!” Ready? (*Jump in!*) Good! In today’s Bible story, we learned that Barnabas welcomed Saul (later Paul). Barnabas helped connect Saul to other people who believed in Jesus. God gives us friends. He invites us all into a friendship with Him. When we choose to follow Jesus, we have a forever friendship with God.

Theme Verse Video:

Theme Verse Motions:

Encourage one another. (*Scoop both hands from the outside in, ending pushing up.*)

1 Thessalonians 5:11a (*Hold hands out like a book.*)

Script: God gives us friends. Our Theme verse reminds us of one way we can be a good friend to others. Our Theme verse is 1 Thessalonians 5:11a. Let me show you where that verse is in the Bible. (*Open the Bible to 1 Thessalonians 5:11.*) It says, “Encourage one another.” Let’s watch a video to help us learn our Theme verse together.

That was good! This verse from the Bible gives us something to do. It tells us to encourage one another. Can you say, “Encourage”? (*Encourage!*) Great! When we encourage someone, we help them and cheer them on. This Theme verse tells us to encourage or help one another. We can all do that! Look at a friend and say, “I can do that.” (*I can do that.*) Way to go!

Craft:

Preschoolers will decorate a sign using cotton balls dipped in paint.

Big Goal: Remember the Main Idea, “**God Connects Us.**”

Leader Prep: Print “Dot The Words” printables on cardstock, one per child. Pinch one cotton ball into each clothespin, one per child, and place paint on paper plates.

Supplies:

"Dot The Words" printable 1 per child
Cardstock 1 per child
Cotton balls 1 per child
Clothespins 1 per child
Markers or crayons Several per child
Washable paint 3-5 per group
Paper plates several per group
Painting smocks or large T-shirts 1 per child
"Dot The Words Instructions & Example" printable 1 per group

Craft Instructions:

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2. Give each child a "Dot The Words" printable, markers or crayons, a clothespin with a cotton ball, and a plate with paint. Assist preschoolers in putting on a painting smock or large T-shirt.
3. Lead boys and girls to decorate the words *God* and *us* with markers or crayons.
4. Assist preschoolers in holding the clothespin and dipping the cotton ball in paint. Guide them to dot the cotton ball on the letters of the word *connects*.

Script: Let's make a craft called "Dot the Words." Dot the what? (*Words!*) Good job! Our craft is a sign that will help us remember our Main Idea, "**God Connects Us.**" Everyone will get a "Dot The Words" printable. You can use markers or crayons to decorate the words *God* and *us*. (*Point to these words on the printable.*) Then the fun really begins! You will take the clothespin connected to the cotton ball and dip the cotton ball into the paint. Then you will dot the paint on the letters of the word *connects*. (*Point to the word on the printable.*) Ready? Let's get started.

Today we are learning that **God connects us**. Let's say that together. Ready? "**God connects us.**" Great job! We learned today that God wants us to know Jesus. That is amazing! When we choose to follow Jesus, we are welcomed into God's family and connected!

Room Refresh & Clean Up:

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Activity:

Preschoolers will make impressions in play dough with coins or toy animals.

Big Goal: Share with friends.

Leader Prep: Print and post the "Allergy Alert" printable for parents to see at drop-off for preschoolers with gluten allergies or sensitivities.

Supplies:

"Allergy Alert" printable 1 per group

Play coins or toy animals 5-7 per group

Play dough 1 per child

Script: Hello, everyone! My name is ____! We are going to work together to do a fun activity called "Press the Dough." Let's say that together. Ready? "Press the Dough!" Great job! We are

going to use play dough to make impressions. *Impressions* is a big word, but I can show you what it means to make an impression. When you flatten your play dough out and press a toy coin or toy animal into it, it leaves an impression when you lift it up. (*Demonstrate with play dough and a toy.*) I want you to make impressions with some of the toys we have here. Let's try it and see the different impressions we can make.

It is so incredible that we can all be friends! There are lots of things we can share with our friends. What are some things you share with your friends? (*Allow responses.*) Wow! We had some great ideas. It was so fun working together and sharing with each other. Way to go!

Countdown Video:

Play Countdown Video

Welcome Video:

Play Welcome Video

Music Video:

Script: (*Invite preschoolers to count down with you and the video.*) 5-4-3-2-1! Hi, everyone! My name is _____. I am so glad you are here today. Turn to someone and give them a high five. (*Allow preschoolers time to give high fives.*) Let's see if you can jump in place like I am. We will start off with one jump, like this. Ready? Go! (*Jump one time. Invite preschoolers to follow.*) That was great! Now let's jump two times, like this. Ready? Go! (*Jump two times. Invite preschoolers to follow.*) Wow! Now let's jump three times, like this. Ready? Go! (*Jump three times. Invite preschoolers to follow.*) Way to jump in and join in with your friends!

Let's sing our Theme song. Follow along and learn the motions as we sing.

Play Theme Song Video.

Super Clue & Bible Story Video:

Supplies:

Super Box 1 per group

“Super Clue: Piggy Bank” printable 1 per group

Piggy Bank 1 per group (optional)

Bible 1 per group

Big Deal Motions:

Jump In! *(Make a small hop forward.)*

God Gives Me Friends! *(Bring hands together in front of you.)*

Script: God gives us friends. I want you to think of one of your friends. Once you think of your friend, I want you to put your hand on your head. *(Allow responses.)* Do you think your friend is important and valuable? *Valuable* means something matters and is special. If you think your friend matters and is important, I want you to put your other hand on your head. *(Allow responses.)* Good! Let's put our hands down. I have something really important to tell you. Let's lean in close so you don't miss what I am going to say. What I am about to tell you is a really big deal! A Big Deal helps us learn something important about God. Our Big Deal is, “Jump In! God Gives Me Friends!” Look at your neighbor and say, “That is a big deal!” *(That is a big deal!)* Let's say our Big Deal together. I will say it first, and you can say it after me. *(Use motions above as you say the Big Deal.)* Jump In! *(Jump In!)* God Gives Me Friends! *(God Gives Me Friends!)* Great job!

God gives us friends, and our friends are valuable and important to us. And you know what else? God says that we are valuable and important to Him! **God values us.** Isn't that super?

Did you hear that sound? That sound means there is a new Super Clue in our Super Box. Our Super Clue will help us learn more about today's Big Deal, “Jump In! God Gives Me Friends!” Let's see what our Super Clue is today.

(Open the Super Box and pull out the physical Super Clue or Super Clue printable. Display the Super Clue slide.)

Look at this! Today's Super Clue is a piggy bank. We can use a piggy bank to hold valuable and important things like money. I wonder how a piggy bank connects to today's Big Deal, “Jump In! God Gives Me Friends!” Oh, I know who can help us. Let's send our Super Clue over to the Super Crew at the Clubhouse. They can help connect our Super Clue, a piggy bank, to our Big Deal.

(Place Super Clue back in the Super Box.)

We can count down and press the “Go” button to send the Super Clue to the Super Crew. When I say, “Go,” I’ll press the button on this Super Box. You can pretend to press the button by pressing one hand on top of the other, like this! *(Hold one palm faceup and press the other palm to it facedown, like pressing a button.)*

Ready? 3-2-1 Go!

Play Bible Story Video.

Script: *(To screen)* Thank you, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) Today we learned that **God values us**. In our Bible story, Jesus told two stories about valuable, special things that were lost. When they were found, the people celebrated with excitement. God cares about us, and we are so important to Him!

Our Super Clue, a piggy bank, holds important and valuable things like money. God says that we are very valuable and important to Him. **God values us** so much that He sent His Son, Jesus, so that we can be forgiven and have a friendship with Him. When we choose to follow Jesus, that is a big deal, and it is something really special to celebrate!

Let’s say our Big Deal together one more time. Ready? I will say it first, and you say it after me. Jump In! *(Jump In!)* God Gives Me Friends! *(God Gives Me Friends!)* Way to go!

Let’s pray and thank God for valuing us. *Prayer* is talking and listening to God. Close your eyes so you aren’t distracted by anyone else and let’s talk to God in 3-2-1.

God, thank You for true stories in the Bible that help us see that You value us. When we turn to You and ask for Your forgiveness, we can have a friendship with You. Thank You for sending Jesus to make that possible. Amen.

Game:

Preschoolers will guess which cup a pom-pom is hiding underneath.

Big Goal: Remember the Bible story.

Supplies:

Solid color cups 3-6 per group

Pom-poms 1-3 per group

Script: We are going to play a game and see how closely you can pay attention. Let me show you how it works. There are three cups here, and I have one pom-pom. I am going to place the pom-pom under one cup. Then I will slide these cups around without lifting them up. Can you keep track of which cup the pom-pom is under? *(Move cups around several times while keeping them in a row.)* Which cup is the pom-pom under? *(Allow responses. Lift the cup preschoolers choose. If it is correct, play again. If it is not correct, move to the next cup until the pom-pom is revealed.)* That was fun! Now you are going to get a chance to do this in small groups. *(Form small groups of preschoolers. Give each group three cups and a pom-pom. Play the game together several times.)*

This game makes me think about today's Bible story. Jesus told a story of a lost coin and how people celebrated when it was found. **God values us**, and when we turn to God and ask Him to forgive us, all of heaven celebrates. Let's celebrate! Turn to a friend and say, "God values you!" *(God values you!)*

Theme Verse Video:

Theme Verse Motions:

Encourage one another. *(Scoop both hands from the outside in, ending pushing up.)*

1 Thessalonians 5:11a *(Hold hands out like a book.)*

Script: God gives me friends. Our Theme verse reminds us of one way we can be a good friend to others. Our Theme verse is 1 Thessalonians 5:11a. Let me show you where that is in the Bible. *(Open the Bible to 1 Thessalonians 5:11.)* Let's watch a video to learn our Theme verse.

Play Theme Verse Video.

Script: Great job! You can all sit back down. This Bible verse teaches us that we can encourage each other. *Encourage* means to help each other or cheer each other on. The friends in our Bible story today encouraged the people who had lost items by celebrating with them when their lost items were found. This showed that they valued their friends. God values you and me. He thinks we are important and wants us to have a friendship with Him. That is why God sent His Son, Jesus, so we can be forgiven and have a friendship with Him.

Craft:

Preschoolers will make musical shakers to use as they celebrate.

Big Goal: Remember that we can celebrate when valuable things are found.

Leader Prep: Print and post the “Allergy Alert” printable for grown-ups to see at drop-off, letting them know you will be using dried beans in a craft activity.

Supplies:

“Allergy Alert” printable 1 per group

Paper plates 2 per child

Dried beans 6-8 per child

Stapler (adult use) 1 per group

Stickers Several per child

Markers or crayons Several per child

“Celebration Shaker Instructions & Example” printable 1 per group

Craft Instructions:

1. Give each preschooler two paper plates, markers or crayons, and stickers.
2. Invite preschoolers to decorate the backside of each paper plate.
3. Place the plates on top of each other so the backside of each plate shows on either side.
4. Staple the plates around the perimeter, leaving a small opening to place six to eight dried beans inside.
5. Once dried beans are inside, continue stapling the plates, completely sealing them so the beans will not fall out.

Script: Let’s make a craft called a “Celebration Shaker.” A celebration what? (*Shaker!*) Great! In today’s Bible story, we saw how the people celebrated the lost sheep and lost coin being found. We heard that when we ask God to forgive us, He does. That is something big to celebrate! We are going to create a musical shaker to help us celebrate this truth. First, you will decorate the bottoms of two paper plates with markers or crayons and stickers. Once you do this, I will staple the plates together, leaving a small opening to put a few dried beans inside. Once the beans are inside, I will keep stapling the plates to seal them. Then you can shake the celebration shaker to make fun noises.

God values us so much that He sent His Son, Jesus, so that we can be forgiven and have a friendship with Him. We can celebrate that truth together with our shakers. Everyone, stand up and shake your shaker high in the air. Now shake it low to the ground. Great job! Let's shake it all around in a big circle. Way to go!

Room Refresh & Clean Up:

Script: Okay friends, it is time for us to clean up! Let's walk around the room and find objects and toys that are out of place. We need to see where they belong and put them back! Look at the pictures around the room to help. This is an important way to show our love for our church.

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Preschool Leader Guide

November 23 – **Pre-K & Kindergarten**

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Today's "Big Deal" Theme Tie: God Leads Me to Friends

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Welcome & Connect Time:

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Activity:

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Big Goal: Encourage preschoolers to help other preschoolers belong.

Hooray Day Cheer Motions:

Hip, hip, hooray! *(Pump your fist into the air.)*

God leads the way! *(Bring both hands down with palms facing in making a road.)*

His love never ends! *(Cross arms over chest.)*

God leads me to friends! *(Clasp hands together in a clap.)*

Script: Welcome, everyone! My name is ____, and I am so glad you are here! Today is a very special day. It is Hooray Day! On Hooray Days we celebrate, so let's do an activity called "Join In!" What is it called? *(Join In!)* Good! We will all join in and learn our Hooray Day cheer! Let's start by sitting in a circle. As we sit in our circle and get ready to learn the Hooray Day cheer, we can scoot back and make more room for new friends as they come in. Our Hooray Day cheer is so much fun. If you are ready to learn it, say, "Hip, hip, hooray!" Ready? *(Hip, hip, hooray!)* Great job!

Our Hooray Day cheer goes like this: *(Model the motions listed below as you say the Hooray Day cheer.)*

Hip, hip, hooray!

God leads the way!

His love never ends!

God leads me to friends!

Are you ready to say the Hooray Day cheer? I will say it first, and you say it after me.

Hip, hip, hooray! *(Hip, hip, hooray!)*

God leads the way! *(God leads the way!)*

His love never ends! *(His love never ends!)*

God leads me to friends! *(God leads me to friends!)*

Great job, everyone! You did such a good job cheering!

Let's say the cheer one more time, but this time, let's stand up and say the cheer. *(Stand up and lead the cheer again.)* Let's sit down and say it one last time in our whisper voices. *(Sit down and say it on more time in whisper voices.)*

Everyone did a great job saying our Hooray Day cheer! Hooray Day is such a special day where we can celebrate God together. I am so glad we are together to celebrate!

Countdown Video:

Play Countdown Video

Welcome Video:

Play Welcome Video

Music Video:

Script: Let's stand up and sing a song together. When we sing songs to God, we are celebrating Him.

Play Theme Verse Video.

Super Clue & Bible Story Video:

Supplies:

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Parachute" printable 1 per group

Small Parachute 1 per group (optional)

Bible 1 per group

Big Deal Motions:

Hooray! *(Make double windmill arms in front of body.)*
God Leads Me to Friends! *(Clasp hands together in a clap.)*

Script: Today we are learning about friends! That reminds me of today's Big Deal. A Big Deal is an important truth we can learn about God. Our Big Deal is, "Hooray! God Leads Me to Friends!" Let's say our Big Deal together. I will say it first, and then I want you to say it after me. Are you ready? *(Do the motions as you say the Big Deal.)* Hooray! *(Hooray!)* God Leads Me to Friends! *(God Leads Me to Friends!)* That is super!

Hooray! Did you hear that? Do you know what that sound means? *(Allow responses.)* I am so excited because that sound means we have a Super Clue in our Super Box. Our Super Clue connects to our Big Deal, "Hooray! God Leads Me to Friends!" Now let's see what is inside our Super Box.

(Open the Super Box and pull out the physical Super Clue or Super Clue printable.)

This might be the biggest Super Clue I have ever seen before. It is a parachute. I love playing with these. They are so much fun! But I wonder what this has to do with our Big Deal, "Hooray! God Leads Me to Friends!" *(Scratch your head as if thinking.)* I know who can help us. Let's send this over to our friends, the Super Crew, in the Clubhouse. They will be able to help us connect the Super Clue and the Big Deal.

(Place Super Clue back in the Super Box.)

We can count down and press the "Go" button to send the Super Clue to the Super Crew. When I say, "Go," I'll press the button on this Super Box. You can pretend to press the button by pressing one hand on top of the other, like this! *(Hold one palm faceup and press the other palm to it facedown, like pressing a button.)*

Ready? 3-2-1 Go!

Play Bible Story Video.

Script: *(To screen)* Thanks for helping us, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) I am so glad God leads us to friends. God led Jonathan and David to be friends with each other. Jonathan even risked his life and gave up his chance to be king for his friend, David. Jesus said, "No one has greater love than this: to lay down his life for his friends." (John

15:13) Jesus is our friend. He came so we can have a friendship with God, and He helps us have friends and be a good friend to others.

Today's Super Clue is a parachute. To use a parachute, you need friends to help you. God has given us the best friend ever—Jesus! Jesus helps us have a friendship with God, and He helps us be friends with others. Let's say our Big Deal one more time together. I will say it first, and you can say it after me. *(Use motions above as you say the Big Deal.)* Hooray! *(Hooray!)* God Leads Me to Friends! *(God Leads Me to Friends!)*

We are going to say a prayer. When we pray, we talk and listen to God. Bow your heads, and close your eyes. Let's pray in 3-2-1.

God, thank You for leading us to friends. We are so happy to have friends to play together with and spend time with at church. In Jesus' name, amen.

Game:

Preschoolers will try to keep a ball on a parachute while moving it up and down.

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

Supplies:

Parachute 1 per group

Bedsheet or tablecloth 1 per group (optional)

Ball pit balls 1-3 per group

Script: Today's Super Clue is a parachute. A what? *(A parachute!)* It is so much fun to play with a parachute with our friends. It would be pretty hard to have fun using a parachute if we were by ourselves. Let's each hold an edge of the parachute and try to keep this ball from falling off the parachute while we all move it up and down to create waves. Let's practice moving the parachute around. *(Demonstrate how to move parachute up and down.)* It's time for "Parachute Ball Toss!" We are going to work together to keep this ball on the parachute.

Great job! When everyone works together, we can have fun making the parachute go up and down. A parachute is so much fun to play with, but a parachute is too big to play with all alone—you need friends to help! That reminds me of our Big Deal, "Hooray! God

Leads Me to Friends!" He gives us friends who we can play, laugh, and have fun with together!

Theme Verse Video:

Theme Verse Motions:

Search me, God, (*Hold right hand over eyes while looking side to side.*)

and know my heart. (*Place both hands over heart.*)

Psalms 139:23a (*Hold hands out like a book.*)

Script: We are going to watch a video to help us learn our Theme verse. Today's Theme verse is Psalms 139:23a. Let's learn it now!

Play Theme Verse Video.

Script: Our Theme verse is important because it comes from the Bible. It tells us that God knows *everything* about us, inside and out. He created us for an amazing purpose, and He leads us to follow Him. God also leads us to friends!

Craft:

Preschoolers will make parachutes out of coffee filters.

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

Supplies:

Coffee filters 1 per child

Markers Several per child

Spray bottle with water 1 per group

Paper towels 1-3 per person

"Make A Parachute Instructions & Example" printable 1 per group

Craft Instructions:

1. Give each preschooler a coffee filter. Invite them to draw on their coffee filters with markers to make it look like a parachute.
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Bible 1 per group

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