

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church Preschool Sunday School Material for May 24, 2020

Dear Preschool Parents,

The PreSchool Sunday School lesson for Sunday, May 24 focuses on the story of Paul Escapes Acts 9:20-25. *(Main points to take away –Jesus was a friend to many. He chose to help and care for people he met. In our story we hear about the friends who helped Paul just like Jesus helped others. We can choose to follow Jesus' example and be a friend and help others too. You could also spend some time reflecting on who it is that helps you when you need help with something.)* Use the information below to share the story together and do follow up activities with your child(ren). As you share the story, also have a Bible available and show your child(ren) where it is located.

Center yourself for your time together by singing:

Time to Get Together

(Tune: The More We Get Together)

It's time to get together, together, together.

It's time to get together and listen right now.

'Cause we'll hear a story that's found in the Bible.

It's time to get together and listen right now.

Read the Bible story together (Peter Is Changed):

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Paul Escapes

As for us, we can't stop speaking about what we have seen and heard. (Acts 4:20)

Read the Bible Story Together: Follow the Suggested Motions



Paul traveled far and wide to share the good news of Jesus. *(Walk around the room.)*
Go, Paul, go! *(Repeat.)*

Some people didn't like the changed Paul. Paul kept right on sharing the good news of Jesus. *(Walk around the room.)*
Go, Paul, go! *(Repeat.)*

The people who didn't like Paul decided they would arrest him as he tried to leave the city. *(Walk around the room.)*
Go, Paul, go! *(Repeat.)*

So, Paul's friends decided to help him. They lowered Paul down the wall in a basket.
Go, Paul, go! *(Repeat.)*

Paul made it out of the city with the help of his friends. He shared the good news of Jesus. *(Walk around the room.)*
Go, Paul, go! *(Repeat.)*

Based on Acts 9:20-25

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Follow-Up Activities:

Discussion:

Say: Paul was sharing the good news of Jesus with others in the city. The Jewish religious leaders did not like that and decided to try and capture Paul and put him in jail.

Ask: When Paul's friends heard this what did they do to help him? (Put Paul in a basket and put the basket out a window and lowered it down the wall so that Paul could escape the city.)

What did Paul continue to do after he escaped the city? (Tell others about Jesus)

Do you have family and friends that help you like Paul's friends helped him? (Give the children time to answer)

How do they help you?

Do you help your family and friends?

Say: When Jesus was on the Earth, he helped his friends. He chose to help and care for people he met. Following what Jesus taught us means living a life as Jesus would. So, we should be a helper to our family and friends too just like Jesus and Paul's friends.

Curriculum Video: (This week's lesson will be E13)

<https://my.amplifymedia.com/amplify/series/unitedmethodistpublishinghouse/33162-deep-blue-connects-adventure-spring-2020>

Songs:

Paul Became A Follower

(Tune: Do You Know the Muffin Man?)

Paul became a follower,
a follower, a follower.

Paul became a follower
of Jesus, our friend.

I can be a follower,
a follower, a follower.

I can be a follower
of Jesus, our friend.

Jesus Helps Us

(Tune: London Bridge)

Jesus helps us follow in his steps
Follow in his steps,
Follow in his steps.

Jesus helps us follow in his steps
Because he loves us!

(Repeat)

Praise Him, Praise Him

(Verse 1) *Praise Him, *praise Him
All ye little children
God is love, God is love
*Praise Him, *praise Him
All ye little children
God is love, God is love

(Verse 2) *Serve Him, *serve Him

(Verse 3) *Love Him, *love Him

(Verse 4) *Thank Him, *thank Him

(Repeat Verse 1 to close)

A Helper I Will Be

(Tune: The Farmer in the Dell)

A helper I will be.

A helper I will be.

I'll pick up the toys and put them away

A helper I will be.

(Note: This song can be personalized by substituting a child's name for "I" and you can replace the 3rd line with "I'll be happy to help my _____ (Mom, Dad, Brother, Sister, Friends, ect,)"

Paper Craft Activities:

Remind your child(ren) that there were people who wanted to arrest Paul, so his friends helped him escape. Make a paper friend to remind you to help your friends. *(See the last page for this activity sheet.)*

Wall and Basket Play (Drama):

Have your child(ren) get out some blocks, or Legos, and some toy figurines. Have them build a wall with the blocks, or Legos, and have them pretend to lower Paul (a figurine) down the wall to escape the city. Remind your child(ren) that Paul's friends helped Paul stay safe. How do you help your friends stay safe?

Blessing and Prayer Time:

Blessing: Have your child hold out their hand and trace a heart on the back of their hand as you say the following; *(You can also use something like lip balm, soap, lotion, etc. to draw a heart on the back of their hand as you say the following blessing.)*

Say: _____ (child's name), **God loves you. God blesses you. God is always with you. And, God gives you friends to help you. God wants you to be a friend and help others too.**

Prayer: (It might be something like)

Dear God, thank you for always being with me. Help me be a follower of Jesus and help others. Amen.

Faith Family Follow-Up activities to use through the week (Below and on the next page):

Note: For the Serving Time activity – This was written in a pre-social distancing time. *(Alternative Suggestion is as follows.)*

For the Serving Time activity – During this time you may not be able to deliver stuffed animals to donate to a safe house for women and children. If you have some, save them and deliver them when you are able. Alternative service activities – the children's book donation that I previously mentioned. These books can be used right away. Or, you can donate diapers to the church for our monthly diaper drive.

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Faith Family Activities

Serving Time

Be Together: Collect old eyeglasses you have and donate them to a charity that repurposes them for people who need glasses to see. **Pray Together:** Pray for all people who need help seeing, especially the children at the John Wesley Community Centre.

Travel Time

Be Together: Sing, "Paul Became a Follower," to the tune of "Do You Know the Muffin Man?" (Bible Story Sheets—Songs) as you travel.



Family Time

Be Together: Take a walk and pick up leaves and other nature objects. Lay them on sun-sensitive paper (available in craft stores) in the sun. The shape of the object will be left on the paper when you remove it. **Wonder Together:** How did the paper change?

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Bedtime

Be Together: Read "Paul Is Changed" on the other side of this sheet and do the suggested motions together.

Pray Together: Help me to be kind to everyone, even those who are different from me. Amen.

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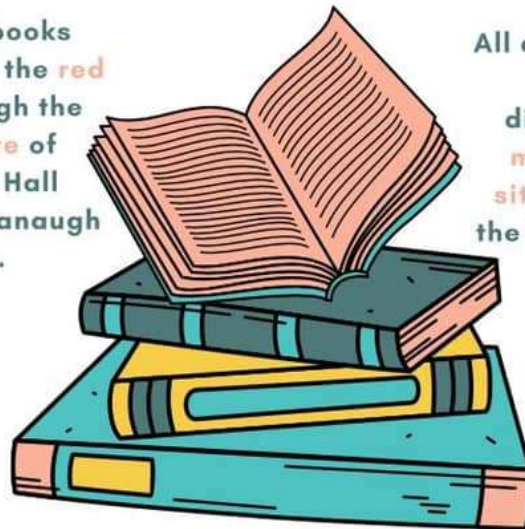
DONATE BOOKS TO KIDS IN NEED!

FYI - This book drive will continue through the end of August and maybe on into September!

COVID-19 BOOK DRIVE

DROP OFF CHILDREN'S BOOKS TO
HILLCREST HALL AT
1501 KAVANAUGH BLVD
BEGINNING APRIL 29, 2020

Drop off books
7am-9pm in the red
bins through the
front gate of
Hillcrest Hall
(facing Kavanaugh
Blvd).



All donated books
will be
distributed at
meal pick-up
sites alongside
the free prepared
meals.

Contact jessie_bates@sbcglobal.net with questions.

Remember to gather at 10:30am to watch our Sunday morning service on KATV!

Friends

Punch out the person below. Color the person with crayons or markers. Glue yarn and material to the person for hair and clothing.

