

Children's Worship 3/8/2020

<p>Welcome 1 min</p>	<p>Display Power Point Slide 1 – The ArC Logo</p> <p>Welcome children to Children's Worship. Explain that we are here to worship God by singing, reading the Bible, learning about God, praying and giving offering. Introduce yourself by name every week.</p>
<p>Introduce Today's Scripture Lesson – Jesus Clears the Temple Court 5 min</p>	<p>While children are arriving, be "cleaning" Ruth Hall. Use vacuum, dust cloth, window cleaner, etc.</p> <p>Hi everyone! I was tidying things up so the room would be nice and clean when you got here! I wanted to make sure the floor was clear and these windows were spotless. I'm making sure there's no dust on our altar. Did I miss any spots??</p> <p>Whew, I think I've got it all done. Hey, do you ever help your mom or dad with cleaning about your house? I don't know about your parents, but there were many times when my mom thought our house needed cleaning when it looked just fine to me! Has that ever happened to you? Well, how do you know when it's time to clean house? Here are some signs:</p> <p>Click through PowerPoint Slides 2-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• It is time to clean house when your feet stick to the floor when you walk through the kitchen.• It is time to clean house when your mother can't find you when she comes into your room to wake you up in the morning.• It is time to clean house when the kids in the neighborhood use their fingers to write "wash me" in the dirt on your windows.• It is time to clean house when there are more dishes in the kitchen sink than there are in the cabinets.• It is time to clean house when you have enough dust bunnies under your bed to start a bunny farm. <p>Well, I think you get the idea! I know that your house never gets THAT dirty, but the truth of the matter is, we all need to do a</p>

	little house cleaning at times.
Reinforce Series – Lent 3 min	<p>We've started our LENT series of lessons. Display PowerPoint Slide 7 – Lent Series Logo</p> <p>These stories are from the New Testament. The Bible is split into two major parts – the Old Testament and the New Testament. The Old Testament is everything that happened before Jesus was born and the New Testament is all about Jesus, His life and everything that happened after Jesus' life on Earth. Since the birth of Jesus at Christmas, we've been studying the New Testament.</p> <p>This series explores moments from Jesus' life. Jesus is God's son, but he came to Earth as a human like us and he lived and grew up in the same ways we do. Jesus was here on Earth as a human, but he was still God's son. He knew how to live exactly as God wants us to live. Jesus is our best example of what God wants us to be like as humans! By learning how Jesus lived and the choices he made for his life, we can see how God wants us to live and the choices we should make.</p> <p>So far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• When Jesus was 12 years old, his parents left him behind. Where did he go? He went to His father's house, to church. You are following that example today by being here at church and learning about God.• We learned about Jesus's baptism. Baptism is a way to show you are committed to God. Jesus showed His commitment to God by being baptized. We can follow Jesus' example and show our commitment to God, whether by being baptized or simply by our actions or words.• We heard how Jesus performed an amazing miracle and raised Lazarus from the dead. This helped move people to the "Believe It" side of the room. Only God's son could have the power to bring someone back to life. If we believe Jesus is God's son, we certainly want to follow His example.• Jesus performed another miracle when He fed over 5,000

	<p>people using only 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish. When we feel like we don't have enough (food, friends, time, courage) we can count on Jesus to provide. We can follow His example and help provide for others who do not have enough!</p>
<p>Read & Discuss Today's Scripture Lesson – Jesus Clears the Temple Court 20 min</p>	<p>Today we are going to learn about a time when Jesus did some house cleaning. It was time for the annual Passover celebration, so Jesus traveled to Jerusalem. When he arrived in Jerusalem, Jesus went to the temple. He couldn't believe what he saw. People were not respecting the temple! Let's read from the Bible and find out what was happening and how Jesus responded.</p> <p>Read John 2:13-16 and Luke 19:46-48 and Matthew 21:14</p> <p>Let's watch a video to help us understand this scripture.</p> <p>Display PowerPoint Slide 8 (story video)</p> <p>Saddleback https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WLOVY5FD6wA</p> <p>What were people doing in the temple? (<i>Selling animals, changing money, selling doves; making it a marketplace</i>)</p> <p>The temple looked like a flea market!</p> <p>What was Jesus' reaction? (<i>He was mad; He drove them all out</i>)</p> <p>Jesus understood that the temple was a very special, sacred, holy place. Jesus understood the temple should be respected and He was upset and angry that people were not treating it with respect.</p> <p>It's kind of like a backpack at the start of the school year.</p> <p>Take out backpack.</p> <p>It's a brand new backpack. I love that it's (describe). I can't wait to put all my new supplies inside – books, pencils, erasers, my</p>

	<p>new pencil case. It even smells new.</p> <p>But then I have this.</p> <p>Take out mushy, brown banana</p> <p>How would you like this to be placed into your very special backpack? (<i>Mad, angry, upset, it's ruined</i>)</p> <p>When we have something special we want to keep it that way. We want to respect it. We don't want someone to come along and break it or fill it with garbage. The same was true for Jesus. The temple, or church, was and is a special place. Jesus wants it to be respected and used for the purpose of worshipping and serving and learning about God. Jesus wants the church to be filled with God, not with mushy, brown bananas!</p> <p>When we come to church, we need to follow Jesus' example and respect the church as a place of worship. We need to use our best behavior and do our best to honor God and learn about God.</p>
<p>Closing Song 3 min</p>	<p>This song talks about growing up to be like Jesus. There are some references to some of the scriptures we've learned about in the last few months.</p> <p>Display PowerPoint Slide 9 Grow Up Like Jesus https://vimeo.com/49923932</p>
<p>Offering and Closing Prayer 2 min</p>	<p>Encourage children to bring any offering to the altar and place in offering basket.</p> <p>Read the prayer responsively. You read one line at a time and the kids repeat after you.</p> <p>Dear God, Help us respect your church. Help us follow Jesus' example To worship you and show God's love.</p>

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