

Lesson 4

Abraham and Isaac
Genesis 22:1-19

ACTIVITIES

Choose from the following activities and crafts to help connect Bible learning to life.

Cross Hunt

Go on a cross hunt, walking around your classroom or building. Look for wall crosses, cross shapes in windows or bricks, and so forth. Say, **Abraham and Isaac took a long trip to the mountain where God provided the lamb. Let's take a trip to look for crosses. Crosses remind us that God provided a Savior for us. He sent Jesus to save us from our sins.**



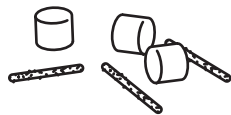
Potato Print Crosses

Cut large potatoes in half. Trace a cross shape on the flat surface of the potato. Use a craft knife to cut away parts of the potato that fall outside the cross shape so that the cross is about ¼-inch deep. Give potato halves to children to dip into washable paint and make cross prints on paper. Say, **Crosses remind us that God sent His Son, Jesus, to pay for our sins on the cross. Jesus saves us and gives us life with Him forever.**



Snack

Serve pretzel sticks and large marshmallows. Have children pretend the marshmallow is the ram and the sticks are the wood as you talk about how God provided a ram for Abraham and Isaac. Ask children to make a cross with the pretzels and say, **A cross reminds us that God provided His Son, Jesus, to save us from sin by dying on the cross and rising again.**



Agnus Dei

Some students may have heard the Agnus Dei in the worship service but may not understand its meaning. Read the words of the Agnus Dei from the liturgy on page 163 in *Lutheran Service Book*, and recall the story of Isaac and the substitutionary sacrifice of the lamb. Talk about God giving Jesus, the Lamb of God, to die on the cross for our sins as our substitute.

