

Lesson 13

Return to Rebuild
Ezra 3; Nehemiah 8:1–12; 12:44–47

ACTIVITIES

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

The Lord's Prayer

Talk about parts of the service (Invocation, Confession and Absolution, readings from God's Word, Prayers, etc.). Teach the Lord's Prayer so children can pray it in church too. Add an action to each line of the prayer to accompany the words. Have children echo the words and do the actions after you. Remind children that we can pray to God all the time, and He promises to answer our prayers.



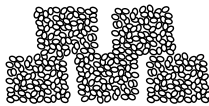
Make a Praise Shaker

Fill empty plastic water bottles or plastic eggs halfway with dry beans or rice. Put strong tape around the bottle cap or egg seam. Decorate with glued-on tissue-paper squares or stickers. Worship God together by singing "Hallelujah! Praise Ye the Lord!" or another song. Children can use their shakers to accompany the song.



Yummy Wall Snack

Give children cubed food, such as crisped-rice treats or cubed cheese. Let them build a wall with their snack before they eat it.



Bible Verse Fun

Set out scarves and small musical instruments such as egg shakers and tambourines for the children to use. Say, **God's family is happy to sing and pray together. Our Bible words today are "Worship the Lord."** Have children say the Bible Verse with you and play their instruments or wave their scarves. Sing a song together.

