



THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES



Acts 2

Thousands of people went to Jerusalem to celebrate a Jewish holiday called Pentecost. They came from many countries and spoke many different languages. Jesus' disciples were staying there. They were praying together.

Suddenly, a noise filled the room. It sounded like a strong wind blowing. The Holy Spirit appeared as tongues of fire on each of them. They started talking in languages they did not know. The people in Jerusalem heard the noise and came to see what was happening.

The crowd was amazed and asked, "How are you able to speak our languages?" Peter said, "The prophets told us this would happen."

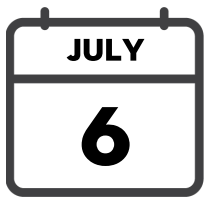
Then Peter told them about God's plan. "God sent Jesus to save everyone from the bad things we have done." The people asked, "What should we do?"

Peter replied, "Ask Jesus to forgive you for your sins and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ."

On that day, 3,000 people believed in Jesus! The disciples baptized all of them.



What is the church? The church is a place to learn about Jesus and to love one another.



PRESCHOOL



WELCOME

Prepare tables with the opening activities. Greet kids by name as kids arrive. Be sure to welcome any new families.

TABLE #1 - Coloring sheet & crayons - - - **TABLE #2** - Pinwheel craft - - - **Floor** - Blowing bubbles



INTRODUCE THE BIBLE STORY

WAITING GAME – Have preschoolers sit in a circle in the large group area. Explain when you say “go”, they should wait for 5 to 10 seconds (which ever number you choose) before standing up. The person closest to the correct time wins. Start off with low numbers. Then build to higher ones – counting out loud will help younger preschoolers. **Today, we will learn about a time Jesus’ friends were praying and waiting for a special helper. It was important they wait for God’s perfect time. Sometimes we may have to wait for God’s perfect timing before something happens.**



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Read the story from The Beginner’s Bible, pages 473 - 479; or watch the story video from the jump drive on the TV.

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SONG

Lead preschoolers in singing one or more songs found in the July 2025 file.



PRACTICE THE KEY PASSAGE

Practice the key verse with preschoolers.

**This is My command: Love each other as I have loved you.
John 15:12**



ACTIVITIES

MAKE A PINWHEEL

- Handout a pinwheel paper to interested preschoolers. Encourage preschoolers to decorate their paper. Write their names on the back.
- Help preschoolers to assemble the pinwheel and placing the completed structure onto their choice of a colored stick.
- **In our Bible story today, we learned about when God's Holy Spirit came to be Jesus' disciples helper. The Holy Spirit sounded like the wind. They couldn't see Him, but He helped the disciples share the good news about Jesus with people from other countries. The Holy Spirit came to help us love and follow Jesus, too.**

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HELLO

- Help preschoolers learn the word 'Hello' in other languages. Tell preschoolers you will say the word for hello in Spanish (Hola [O La]. Then they should repeat it after you.
- Here is a list of potential languages you can use: Setswana [Dumela]; Basque [Kaixo = Kie (like pie) Sho]; France [bon jour]; Japanese [konnichiwa]; Hawaiian [aloha]; Italian [ciao (chow)]; Hebrew [shalom]
- **When the Holy Spirit came to help the disciples, they were able to share the good news of Jesus with many people from all over the world. The Holy Spirit came to help us love and follow Jesus.**



Match parent pick-up numbers, with child name tag numbers.

Build relationships with parents, encourage them to take a picture of the parent recap page to go over on the ride home.