**Pentecost** 

May 30 -June 5, 2022

Pre-K Message **SCRIPTURE:** Acts 2:1-12

THEME: The Spirit Marches Victorious Through the Word

SONG: CW21 479 God's Holy Spirit Came /

CW93 590 O Holy Spirit, Enter In

VISUAL: John 3:16 written out on posters in 4-5 different languages; audio recordings of John 3:16 spoken

in 4-5 different language (use Google Translate for

this); WELS Missions website

# **OBJECT LESSON**

Prepare the posters in each language, but do not put the Bible reference on them. Save the reveal for the end of the object lesson as a surprise! Choose student volunteers to hold up each language poster for everyone to see. Play recordings of the spoken languages for the students. If your pastor comes to chapel, maybe ask him to say John 3:16 in Greek, Latin, German, or Spanish.)

## **BIBLE TRUTH**

Do you know anybody who can speak a different language? Can any of you speak a language that's not English? (Show students examples of different written and/or spoken languages.) There are lots of people all over the world who don't speak English, and they need to hear about Jesus too! After Jesus went back into heaven, he sent the Holy Spirit to help his disciples teach many other people God's Word. The Holy Spirit did an amazing thing – he helped the disciples speak in many different languages!

Read Acts 2:1-12. How long do you think you would have to study to learn a new language? These disciples didn't study at all, but they could still speak all these languages. It was a miracle! God used this miracle to help spread his Word to all those peoples' home countries. Today, the Bible is available in almost every language in the world. God continues to use pastors and missionaries to spread his Word to people who speak very differently than we do.

## **DISCUSSION AND APPLICATIONS**

In Matthew 28:19 Jesus tells his disciples, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Show the WELS Missions website or missions map and explain how we work with people all over the world to spread the Word. Remind the students where saving faith comes from: hearing the message about Christ. Direct the children to the work of the Holy Spirit, who comes to us through the Word to create and strengthen our faith.

#### **PRAYER**

Holy Spirit, thank you for the blessings you bring to us through your Word. Thank you for creating faith in our hearts and keeping that faith strong through regular study of Scripture. Use all of us to help spread that Word to other people, so that many more may come to believe in you as the one true God. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



1 St Sunday after Pentecost June 6 -

June 12, 2022

Pre-K Message **SCRIPTURE:** Numbers 6:22-27

**THEME:** Through the Word, the Triune God Blesses Us

SONG: CW21 483 / CW93 195 Holy, Holy! Lord God

**Almighty** 

**VISUAL:** Signs with numbers 1 & 3

# **OBJECT LESSON**

Hold up a sign with a big number 1 on it. Ask if the students know that number. Hold up a different sign with a big number 3 on it. Ask if the students know that number. Whether they can recognize the numbers or not, they should be able to tell that those numbers look very different from each other. All numbers are different. They represent different amounts of things.

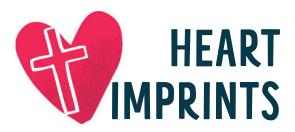
#### **PRAYER**

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we cannot begin to understand the mystery of your unity. Help us always to trust your Word, where we learn this amazing mysterious truth. Continue to shower your blessings upon us as we seek to share your mysterious, amazing truths to others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

### **BIBLE TRUTH**

In the Bible, numbers mean different things too. We worship 1 God (hold up the number 1). But the Bible tells us there are 3 persons (hold up the number 3): the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Read Numbers 6:22-27. God is three persons. Each person does something important for us. The Father created the world, and he created us. Jesus, the Son of God, died to take away our sins. The Holy Spirit gives us faith to believe in God. They all do different work. But we still only have one God. Do you understand how this works? Neither do I! This is something that we can't understand because we're not in heaven yet. Once we get to heaven, we'll understand it completely. Until then, we receive the blessing of God's love and kindness to us. We trust in him. We praise him for being three (hold up 3) persons in one (hold up 1) God.



2 nd Sunday after Pentecost June 13 -June 19, 2022

Pre-K Message SCRIPTURE: Luke 8:26-39

THEME: Through the Word, the Lord Crushes Evil

**SONG:** CW21 863-864 / CW93 200-201 A Mighty Fortress

is Our God

CW21 744 / CW93 556 Rise, Shine, You People

**VISUAL:** Superhero action figures (or pictures of

superheroes); pictures of their archenemies.

## **OBJECT LESSON**

Show pictures or action figures of superheroes. Ask if the students recognize any of them. Every superhero fights bad guys. Some of them have special bad guys that only they can fight. They have the right powers to defeat those bad guys.

### **BIBLE TRUTH**

There's a very, very bad guy who wants to do bad things to us. In fact, this guy is so bad he wants to make sure we never go to heaven to be with Jesus forever. Do you know who that is? (The students should answer, "the devil.")

Read Luke 8:26-39. The devil tries hard to get us to turn away from God. The devil wants to make us sin so much that we don't even believe in God anymore. We can't defeat the devil by ourselves – we don't have the right stuff. But Jesus does! Jesus came to die on the cross to defeat the devil forever. When he died, Jesus said, "It is finished." That means that the devil is defeated forever! Jesus won! By faith we know that Jesus is our Savior, and that he forgave our sins and defeated the devil. Jesus will keep us close to him so that we will one day live with him forever in heaven.

### **PRAYER**

Dear Jesus, thank you for defeating our enemy, the devil, for us. Through your death on the cross, our sins are forgiven. By your gift of the Holy Spirit we have come to believe and trust in you as our Savior. Keep us strong in the faith by your holy Word, so that we may enter the eternal joy of heaven, where we will be forever free from the devil's schemes. In your name we pray. Amen.



3rd Sunday after Pentecost June 20 -

June 26, 2022

Pre-K Message SCRIPTURE: Luke 9:57-62

**THEME:** Through the Word, Christ Creates Committed

**Followers** 

SONG: CW21 695 /CW93 469 Take my Life and Let it Be

**VISUAL:** sports gear (jerseys, hats, posters, etc.)

representing the local popular team or your

personal favorite team

# **OBJECT LESSON**

What's your favorite sports team? Maybe the students watch the local favorite teams at home with their families. Ask them if they have ever been to a big game. (Maybe they have!) What do a lot of people wear when they go to a big game? (shirts/hats/jerseys) If you see someone wearing a jersey around town, what does that show about them? (They're a fan!)

#### **BIBLE TRUTH**

We like it when our team wins, don't we? What about when our team plays a really bad game and loses? How do we feel then?

Read Luke 9:57-62. Many people follow Jesus. Many people wear shirts or necklaces with crosses on them. They like to be part of Jesus' "team." But what about when things get tough? What about when hardships come? Will they still like Jesus then? When times are tough, that's actually the time to turn to Jesus the most!

### **DISCUSSION AND APPLICATIONS**

Jesus has promised to always be with us and to help us through the tough times. When times are tough, don't be afraid to be part of Jesus' "team." Pray to him. Shout out to him in song. Jesus will see us through all the hard times and bring us safely home to heaven. He has already done everything for us by dying on the cross and rising from the dead to take care of our toughest problem of our sins.

### **PRAYER**

Dear Jesus, forgive us for the times we have chosen to follow our own desires instead of yours. Help us as we struggle with temptations every day. Lead us always back to you through your precious Word. In your name we pray. Amen.

