



First Presbyterian Church of Libertyville

Faith Step #5

Sing Praise to God (4 Year Olds)

We are a companionship of faith on a spiritual adventure following Jesus Christ.



Faith Step Marker

Who doesn't love an **egg shaker**? These are a must-have for anyone leading music groups! Their shape makes them easy to hold, the colors are fun, and they are very durable! They work for all ages, and they sound great! Children will receive this faith step marker at a family gathering designed to explore the possibilities of worship at home through song, Bible reading, and prayer.



Bible Verse (NRSV)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
Come into his presence with singing. Psalm 100:1-2



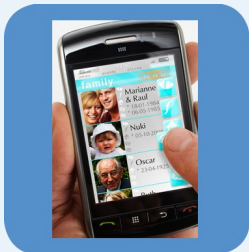
We Believe – *Belonging to God: A First Catechism*

Q5—How do you thank God for his gift of love?

I promise to love and trust God with all my heart.

Q39—Why do Christians gather for worship on the first day of the week?

Because it is the day when God raised our Lord Jesus from the dead. When we gather weekly on that day, the Spirit makes our hearts glad with the memory of our Lord's resurrection.



Caring Conversations

- When you think about God, what song (hymn or praise song) comes to your mind? Why?
- Complete this sentence: God is like. . .



Music

- *Jesus Loves Me!* (Presbyterian Hymnal #304)
- *Jesus Loves the Little Children*
- *I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy*

Faith-filled Actions



The Joyful Noise Choir is open to all 4 & 5 year olds. The graded choir program gives musical training, choral experience, spiritual growth, and the privilege of learning to share in the leadership of worship. The choirs meet September through April. In addition to singing occasionally in Sunday morning worship, they participate in the Christmas Pageant and on Youth Sunday. They have even shared their talents with some of our senior citizens at nearby nursing homes. The *Joyful Noise Choir* meets Thursday afternoons September–April from 4:15-4:45 pm in the Choir Room.

Prayer



Dear God, Thank you for letting us praise you through music. It brings us such joy to glorify you in this way. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Sing grace before your meal. Some traditional tunes that are easily found on the web are: (1) For Health and Strength and Daily Bread, (2) Morning Is Hear, and (3) Be Present at Our Table Lord.

Books (available in church library)

for Children

- *God is Like a Mother Hen and Much, Much More* by Carolyn Stahl Bohler
- *Jesus Loves Me (Cuddle and Sing Board Book)* by Debby Anderson
- *The Beginner's Bible: Book of 31 Devotions (My Time with God)*
- *The Lord's Prayer* by Rick Warren from Zonderkidz

for Parents

- *The Five Love Languages of Children* by Gary Chapman & Ross Campbell

On the Web

- www.thebeginnersbible.com
- www.vibrantfaithathome.org
- Bible Coloring Book by Christian Bible Apps LLC (iPad/iPhone app)

Who to Contact

- Our Director of Children's Ministry is Jan Schuett at jschuett@boxp.net
- Our Director of Music Ministry is Jane Orth at jorth@boxp.net
- **Caffeine Break:** While your children are at Choir, connect with the grown-ups in the church Narthex over a cup of coffee/tea.

