

Worship 2 Go

Drawing School and Home Together

Thanks to all those people who have made some of the resources collated here available to share

Shining Our Light

This is a special edition of Worship2Go with activities you might like to do over half-term. It will begin to go dark sooner and people will be thinking about bringing in light wherever they can especially for some people, around 31 October. If you do have fun with any of these activities, as always, we'd love to see some photos on Twitter! @ManchesterCWO

Bible Verse

The Word was the source of life, and this life brought light to people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never put it out.

You can find this in the Bible, in the book of John , chapter 1, verse 4-5. I wonder who you think 'The Word' is?

Daily Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you that you sent Jesus to be an example of your light in this world. May each of us learn to bring your light into the world especially where there is darkness.

Amen

Glitter Jar

Some people have lots of different emotions at the moment. A glitter jar can help us to take a moment of calm. The glitter represents thoughts and feelings. When you shake the jar they swirl and whirl around. As you hold the jar still the glitter slowly settles encouraging you to pause for a moment.

You will need:

- Some glitter or something small and shiny like bits of foil
- A few drops of food colouring (we used a pink)
- Glycerine if you have it
- Warm water
- Clean glass/plastic jar or bottle with tightly fitting lid



Fill the jar (almost to the top) with water stir in the food colouring and glycerine. Add your glitter and seal the lid tightly to prevent any leaks.

Swirl the jar and as you watch the glitter settle, talk to God about how you are feeling.

Mini Lighthouse <https://foryourfamily.wordpress.com/fun-craft-ideas/mini-lighthouse/>

You will need:

- Some white tape (or thin strips of white paper)
- A red plastic cup
- A smaller clear plastic cup
- A black marker pen
- Some card and a glue stick
- A battery operated tea light



If you don't have/can't get hold of these things I'm sure you can be creative and think of alternatives

1. Tape three white stripes around the red cup.
2. Trace the bottom of the clear plastic cup onto the card. Cut out the circle you traced, and if using black card, two small rectangles for the windows and a larger rectangle for the door (or you can use a marker pen to draw these on).
3. Trim the top inch or so from the clear cup so that it sits on the red cup with about a half inch of overlap.
4. Stick the black circle to the bottom of the clear cup.
5. Glue the windows and door (or draw on) to the red cup, set the tea light on the top, and place the plastic cup over the light.



You might like to watch this video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=reAIJKv7ptU> and sing along with *My Lighthouse* by *Rend Collective*, reminding us that Father God shines like a lighthouse as a guide in our lives.

Jam jar lanterns www.sunhatsandwellies.com

Create a beautiful glow perfect for brightening up this time of year.

You will need:

- Clean recycled glass jam jars
- Small sections of tissue paper
- PVA glue and a paintbrush
- Battery operated tealight/ glow stick
- Wire & beads / pipe cleaners (optional)



These are just some of the suggestions but you can see from the pictures you can be as creative as you like!

You could use a paintbrush to cover the jar in glue, and stick strips of coloured tissue paper to the outside of the jar. Keep adding the sections of paper until the outer jar is covered. As the tissue paper overlaps it creates beautiful patterns & colourful shades. Set aside the jar to dry for an hour or so.

To create a seal over the tissue paper we paint a layer of PVA glue over all the tissue so the glue covers the outer jar. When this is dry it helps create the jewel like colours of the lantern.

You could just add a handle to your jar you could use wire & bead or pipe cleaners handles or do both!

Make a milk bottle lantern

You will need:

- An empty and clean plastic milk bottle
- Some dark marker pens
- A glow stick (there are different sizes depending on what size your milk bottle is)



1. Draw a face on the bottle with the pens or you might like to write on a verse from the Bible about light.
2. Fill the bottle with water
3. Crack a glow stick and drop it inside

If you put the lid on the bottle, you can put your lantern outside otherwise place it somewhere you can enjoy its bright light.

Make a thankful pumpkin

This is a great activity to make with everyone in the household. What would you like to thank God for?

You will need:

- 8 strips of paper – pumpkin coloured if you have them but it doesn't matter if not , I used an old magazine
- Pens
- Cut out leaf and stalk shape
- Glue stick or tape or stapler or all of them!



Take a strip of paper and write on it something you are thankful for. Then bend the paper round like in the picture to make a pumpkin shape. Stick them together (I found a stapler and tape worked best) add the leaf and place it somewhere to remind you to be thankful. If you have lots of things to be thankful for, you could make lots of different ones!

Pumpkin face collage

Make a smiley pumpkin face

Here is an example but you could use torn up pieces of paper, lentils, pasta shapes. See if you can include the words 'shine with the light of Jesus' somewhere on your collage.

Where will you put your creation a reminder to do just that?



Pumpkin prayer

If you decide to carve a smiley face on a pumpkin (or draw a picture) why not say this prayer as you go?



Open my mind so I can learn more about you
(cut off the top)
Forgive me for the wrong things I do
(clean out the inside)
Open my eyes to see your love
(make the eye shapes)
I'm sorry for the times I turn my nose up at (ignore) others
(make the nose shape)
Open my ears to hear you
(make the ear shapes)
Help me to share your love with others
(carve the mouth shape)
Let your light shine in all I say and do
(place a battery operated tealight or glowstick inside)
Amen

Decorate a pumpkin

If you don't want to carve a pumpkin or have a smaller one then you could just decorate with lots of shiny things, like foil, sweet wrappers glitter or sequins. If you put it near a lamp, then the light will reflect off it. How do you reflect the light of Jesus in the world?

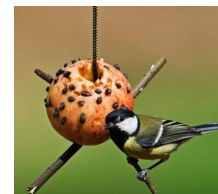


Light in nature

It's good to share our light in the world with other creatures too! If you have some pumpkin seeds left (you can use other seeds too) you might like to make an apple bird feeder.

You will need:

- An apple
- 2 sticks
- Some string
- Some edible seeds like pumpkin or sunflower



1. Make a hole in the centre of the apple—an apple corer works best if you have one and you might want an adult to help you with this part.
2. Thread the string through the apple. Make an 'X' with the sticks and tie them to the string so the apple sits on top.
3. Make a pattern by pushing the seeds into the apple

Hang it up outside and watch the birds feed with thanks to the RSPB and CBeebies