



### **BIG IDEA**

We can praise God.

### **GOD STORY**

God's Great Creation (Psalm 8)

### **KEY VERSE**

We will praise your name forever. (Psalm 44:8b, NIRV)

### **MUSIC**

"Jesus Is Alive" (*The Meeting House Kids Music*)

## **1 | Start**

### **DRAW AND GUESS SUPPLIES**

- Paper
- Drawing supplies

### **TIP**

- If you have a magnetic doodle board, use it for this activity.

### **DRAW AND GUESS INSTRUCTIONS**

- Introduce the Big Idea for the Praise series: **We can praise God.**
- Draw something God made that you love.
- Encourage the children to guess what you've drawn. Give them hints as needed.
- Once they guess correctly, emphasize that **we can praise God** for [drawn item]—as well as all the other amazing things he created!
- Take turns drawing something God created that the children love and being the guessers.

### **PRAISE GOD! SUPPLIES**

- Musical instruments

### **TIP**

- If you don't have any musical instruments, get creative and repurpose household items. For example, drum on pots, strum on elastic-bands, or clap together spoons.

### **PRAISE GOD! INSTRUCTIONS**

- Gather any musical instruments you have in your home.
- Let the children know that one way **we can praise God** is through music.
- Lead them to have fun playing the instruments and praising God musically!

## **2 | Watch**

### **SUPPLIES**

- Media player

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Watch this week's video from the Now Playing Early Years playlist on the One Story YouTube channel.



### 3 | Pray

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Slips of paper
- Writing and drawing supplies
- Container

#### **TIP**

- If your children love making crafts, encourage them to decorate and personalize their own containers or make one for your family to share.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Encourage the children to write about or draw a picture of something they're grateful for today.
- b. Place the papers in a container.
- c. Encourage your family to do this together every day this week.
- d. Each Sunday, empty the container and thank God for everything on the papers. Praise God for who he is and all that he has done for us!

### 4 | Craft

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Praise God activity pages
- Stickers
- Colouring supplies

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Read aloud the text on the activity page.
- b. Encourage the children to colour on their pages and decorate them with stickers.
- c. As they work on their crafts, chat about today's story and how **we can praise God**.

### 5 | Key Verse

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Key Verse sign

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Read aloud the Key Verse for the Praise series.
- b. Demonstrate the following actions to go with the words:

We will [point to one another and yourself]  
praise [raise hands in the air]  
your name [point an index finger in the air]  
forever [make big circles with your arms].  
From Psalm 44:8 [open hands like a book]

- c. Practise saying the verse and doing the actions together.