



Children's Worship



A Getting Ready Prayer

God, as we get ready to be with you,
Open our ears to listen to you
(touch your ears)

Open our minds to help us think about you.
(put your hands on your head)

Open our eyes to see you in the world around
us.

(point to your eyes)

Open our hearts to love you more.

(cross your hands over your chest)

And open our hands to help each other.

(open out arms and hands wide)

Amen.

Time to think...

- + What is the biggest thing you have made? A Lego model? A birthday cake or maybe you helped make a bed or a wardrobe?
- + There is one thing that helps - instructions!
- + What if you were asked to make a boat but not just any boat... a huge boat 450 feet long, 75 feet wide, and 45 feet high.
- + Do you think you could do it?

Sunday 21st February 2021

A Promise is a Promise



Tell the story...

Here are ways you could do this:

- + Read Genesis 9:8-17 in a children's Bible.
- + Read 'Noah and the big flood' Pg 23 and 'Noah and the Rainbow' Pg 24 'The Big Bible Storybook' by SPCK
- + Watch the story on Saddleback Kids or on God's Story...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wbfp7fzhj4Y>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4yzN0fUxjkQ>

Talk Together...

- + Have you ever made a promise? Did you keep your promise?
- + Did you know that God made a promise?
- + Yes, God did make a promise a long time ago....
- + Today's story takes place a very long time ago in the first book of the Bible, *Genesis*.
- + During this time, the people on earth were very unkind and selfish.
- + They had forgotten about God except for one man, Noah.
- + God decided to destroy everything that was on the earth - all of the animals and people.
- + However, God knew that Noah was a good man.
- + God told Noah to build a big boat, gather animals from the earth and wait.
- + Noah did what God told him. He built the boat, he collected the animals and when they were all inside, rain began to fall.
- + It rained, and rained, and rained for 40 days.
- + Soon, no tree tops could be seen, and before long, all the mountains were covered by water.
- + Then the rain stopped.
- + The only people left alive were Noah, his wife and their family.
- + Days went by, the waters went down, and finally the boat rested on the ground.
- + That was when God made a promise.
- + God said he would never again destroy every living thing as he had done with the water.
- + I'm sure Noah was very relieved to hear that. God went on to say...

"I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth".

- + A rainbow happens when light shines through rain or droplets of water.
- + It is made up of seven colours, red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet.
- + God created the beautiful rainbow-promise in such an amazing way that we know we can depend on God to never break his promise.



Sing Together... (or listen)

+ 'Looking to the Rainbow' by Becky Drake

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YY_SpPtGZpw

Make Together...

+ Use cardboard, paper, pens, paints, paper plate/bowl, tissue paper, string, foam, magazines, newspapers, lollipop sticks, sticks, wool, toilet roll tubes or whatever you have in the house to make...

+ Make your own rainbow, and then write some promises or prayers on it...



+ Create a rainbow of your own...

Fill the glass with water.

Cut a narrow rectangle in the middle of one piece of paper.

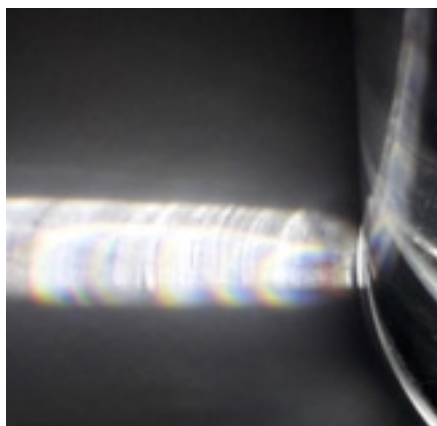
Stick that paper to the outside of the glass so that the slit is at the centre.

Place another piece of paper on the floor on the other side of the glass to catch the rainbow, in a dark space.

Point a torch at the slit in the paper.

Start from the glass and slowly move the torch further and further from the glass.

Adjust the distance and angle of the torch until you see a rainbow on the paper on the other side.



- ✚ Make a skittles rainbow...

As the colours merge, think about God's promise and how we can trust in him.



- ✚ Complete the colouring sheet... (see below)



- ✚ Crack the rainbow code... (see below)



Build Together...

- ✚ Using Lego, other building blocks or boxes - Build Noah's Ark with Noah his family and all the animals. Don't forget the rainbow!
- ✚ Retell the story afterwards.



Play Together...

- ✚ Play 'Promise ball' -
Make a circle on the floor and begin rolling a ball to one another. When someone catches the ball, pause and shout out a promise to God, and then roll the ball into the circle again.

✚ Play Don't Say it! -

Everyone chooses a word (or agree on one word) and the aim of the game is to not say this word during the day. If someone messes up, they get a point get a clothes peg stuck on them as a "mark". The person with the lowest points/pegs wins. The game will get everyone thinking about words, promises and keeping their word.

Remember together... (memory verse)

"I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth"

Genesis 9:13

Pray Together...

Dear God,
Thank you, for the rainbow.
Every time we see a rainbow,
may it be a helpful reminder that when we put our trust in you,
anything is possible.
In Jesus' name,
Amen.

Don't forget...

- ✚ Whatever you create, share it on our churches FB pages; tag us in so everyone can see. Turton Moorland Team Page @TMOTP (FB)
- ✚ You could also send it to stmaxentiusonline@gmail.com and I will send them on to Revd Peter our Team Rector, then they can be shared in the online weekly.
- ✚ For more activities and links go to our Turton Moorland Team website - Children's Resources - <https://turtonmoorlandteam.co.uk/turton-youth-church/#childrens-resources>

Different Ways to Pray...

Emoji Prayer Mat

You will need:

- A sheet of A4 paper or card.
- Scissors.
- Pen or Pencil.
- Coloured pens or pencils if you have them.

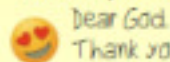


How to Create an Emoji Prayer Mat:

- How many Emoji's' can you describe?
- Think about why and how we use Emoji's.
- Write at the top of your page, the title 'Emoji Prayer Mat'.
- Draw and colour as many different Emoji faces as you can think of.
- As you do it, think about all the different feelings and expressions they are used for e.g. a tear face for sad or a smiling face for happy, a green face for feeling sick or ill, a blushed face for thankfulness.
- When you have finished, your emoji prayer mat is ready.

How to use your Prayer Mat:

- Think about what you want to say to God and what you want to pray for.
- Find the emoji face on your mat and place your hands on it .
- Close your eyes and talk to God (out loud or to your self).
- When you have finished your first emoji, do another.



Dear God,

Thank you for all my family, friends and the people that love me...



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“Noah did (...)
all that God
commanded
him.”

Genesis
6:22 ESV

Rainbows

God put the rainbow in the sky as a sign of the covenant He made to the world.
Use the code to discover the covenant God made with us in Genesis 9:8-15:

A	B	C
D	E	F
G	H	I

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