## **Open with Play Time**

Welcome each Kid-O into the room as they arrive. Help them find a toy or game to encourage engagement during play time.

## \_\_\_:20 Music & Worship: Pick a song

Have Kid-Os use scarves, ribbons, or instruments as you lead them in singing. Encourage the Kid-Os to use their hands, feet, and voices as they worship God!

## \_\_:25 Group Time

Follow the Group Time Guide on the next page.

# \_\_:35 Coloring

Hand out the Bible story coloring sheets and coloring utensils. Encourage the Kid-Os to color a picture to take home!

## **End with Play Time**

Allow the Kid-Os to play or color until they are picked up. Before each Kid-O leaves match their name tag to the grown-up's security tag.

# **Group Time Guide**

Supplies Needed: None.

#### 1. Circle Up

**Circle Up:** Have all Kid-Os sit in one section of the room for story time.

### 2. Bible Story: The Prodigal Son

**Do This:** Read through the Bible Story at least one time. If Kid-Os are engaged, feel free to read it a second time.

### 3. Hands-On Option: Act It Out!

**Do This**: Act out the Bible story with the steps below.

- The young man ran away from home. Can you run in place?
- He did a lot of fun things for awhile. Can you jump and dance?
- Then, he ran out of money, and had to feed the pigs. Can you oink like a pig?
- He realized he had done wrong, and headed home. Can you walk slowly?
- His father was waiting for him! Can you pretend to be looking a long way?
- His father ran to him and hugged him! Can you jump for joy?

The Point: The father in Jesus' story reminds us of God. He loves us, no matter what!

### 4. Prayer

**Do This**: Pray! "Dear God, we love you. Thank you for loving us no matter what. Amen."