



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: Shepherds

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 story of the shepherds with the actions below!

- First, the shepherds were watching their sheep. Can you make a sound like a sheep?
- Then, angels appeared and told the shepherds where Jesus had been born! Can you sing like an angel?
- Then, the shepherds ran to find Jesus! Can you run in place?
- They got to meet Jesus, Mary, and Joseph in a place where animals were kept. The shepherds told everyone what they had seen! Can you say “Jesus is born!”?

The Point: The shepherds wanted to share the joy God gave them with everyone! We can share the joy Jesus gives us today, too!

4. Prayer

Do This: Pray! “Dear God, we love you. Thank you for loving us. Help us to share joy. Amen.”