

Christmas Services



December 21-24, 2018

LG OVERVIEW

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS

WORSHIP LEADER: "Hello, hello, friends. It's almost Christmas! I'm so excited, and I can't wait to sing with you. But first, tell me: **How do we know God loves us?**"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: "God gave us Jesus."

WORSHIP LEADER: "Yes! **God gave us Jesus.** You got it! Let's sing a song about when Jesus was born that very first Christmas night!"

Lead children in singing "It's Special Delivery" and "Oh What a Special Night".

"Wonderful singing, my friends. Tell me: **How do we know God loves us?**"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: "God gave us Jesus."

BIBLE VERSE: "Yes indeed, **God gave us Jesus.** Who can help me remember what we do next? We sang our first couple of songs. What do we do now? *(Pause.)* Yes! We say our memory verse. Are you ready to say it with me? *God has given a son to us, Isaiah 9:6.* Let's do it again." *(Repeat several times.)*

BIBLE VERSE: "Yes! You've got it totally memorized now. Way to go! I am so proud of you."

STORYTELLER: "Today is a very special day. It's CHRISTMAS EVE (or EVE EVE, or EVE EVE EVE)! Soon it will be CHRISTMAS. The Bible tells us all about that very first Christmas. *(Hold up Bible.)* And remember, if it's in the Bible, then it's true!"

"Let's see what you remember about the Christmas story. *(Hold up the present containers with each week's Special Delivery clue and review the Christmas story. Then open the Special Delivery box.)* What's this? *(Pause.)* Yes, it's a birthday cake! The Christmas story must have something to do with birthday cake. Let's watch our video and find out."

Watch Video Lesson

"Whew! I think they covered all the parts of the story so far except for the birthday cake. Are you ready to hear about the birthday cake? *(Pick up the cake.)* Well, since it's Jesus' birthday, we thought we should have a special celebration with YOU! I mean, you're supposed to invite friends to a birthday party, right? And Jesus does want to be your friend forever, right? So, we're going to continue to celebrate Jesus' birthday with a party back in our rooms but before we go celebrate, let's sing one more song together!"

WORSHIP LEADER: "Let's sing our song about Jesus who was the best present ever!"

Lead children in singing "The Best Present Ever".

"Yes! Jesus was the best gift ever! **How do we know God loves us?**"

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: "God gave us Jesus."