

Hopscotch Fun ☺ ALL

Hop, hop-play, play-skip, skip-pray, pray.
Play a game of hopscotch to stimulate lots of prayerful thoughts.

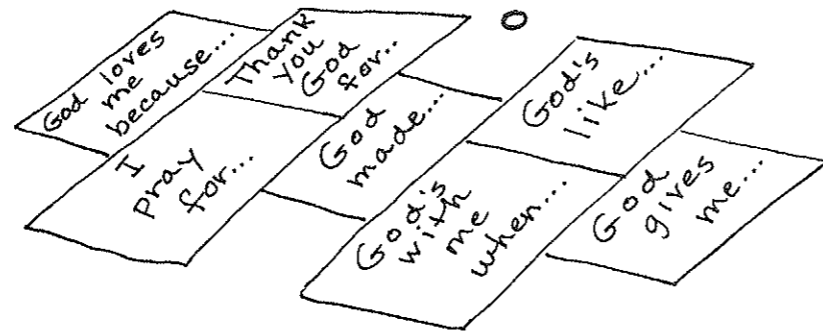
☐ **You will need:**

- Sidewalk chalk
- Large buttons

☐ **To do:**

Draw hopscotch on a sidewalk or substitute construction paper squares for indoor hopscotch. In each square write a phrase as listed below. Take turns tossing a large button on the square and the children complete the phrase the button lands on.

- God loves me because...
- Thank you, God, for...
- I pray for...
- Who prays for me?
- God made...
- God's with me when...
- God's like...
- God gives me...
- God loves...
- I like to pray when...



Hosanna Banner ☺ ALL

Recognize Passion Sunday by making a Hosanna banner with the children.

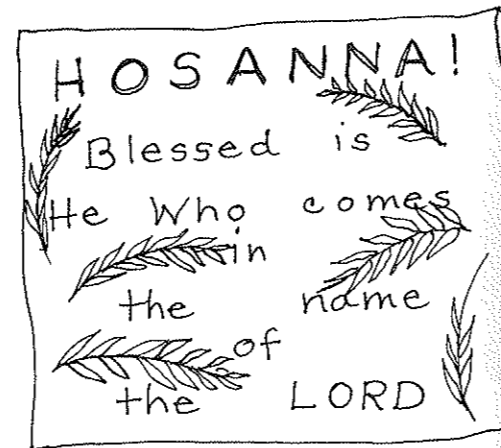
☐ **You will need:**

- Flat twin bed sheet
- A permanent wide black marker
- Green tempera paint
- Palm branches (or stencils of palm branches)

Note: Palm branches should be available from the local florist if ordered ahead of time.
Do not confuse these palms with the reed variety most churches distribute on Passion Sunday.

☐ **To do:**

Use the black marker to print the message, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord" on the sheet. Then pour green paint into pie tins and place on newspaper covered tables. Supervise as the children lay the palms in the paint. Then again as they lift the palms off the sheet leaving a print. Hang this banner in an entryway for the Passion service.



Hosanna Palms ☺ ALL

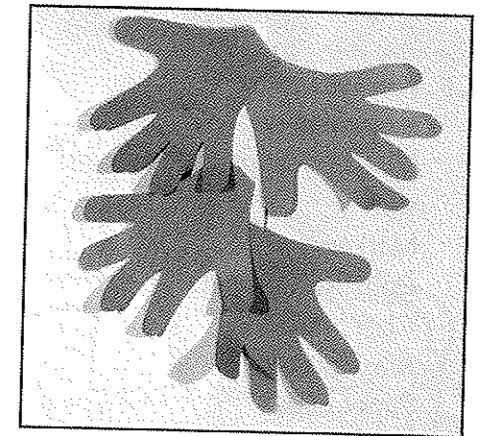
When Jesus rode into Jerusalem, the people waved palm branches and shouted words of praise. We too should greet Jesus with words of thanks and praise.

☐ **You will need:**

- Green poster board
- Green construction paper
- Markers
- Glue

☐ **To do:**

Cut a 12" strip of poster board for each child. Have the children trace several hands including their own. Then cut out the hands and glue onto the strip of poster board.



Hot Air Balloon ☺ PRE

Up, up and away with the love of God.

☐ **You will need:**

- Colored construction paper
- String
- Paper cup
- Newspaper
- Stapler

☐ **To do:**

Enlarge and copy the pattern provided and cut two hot air balloons from brightly colored paper. Crumble up a piece of newspaper and put it between the two balloon cutouts. Staple them together. Leave the bottom neck of the balloons free. Punch 2 holes on each side of the neck and tie a 12" string to each. Next punch 4 holes equally spaced around the top of the cup. Tie the 4 strings from the balloon to the cup. Write, "Up, up and away with God," on the balloon.

