

Date May 16, 2021
Scripture/Bible Story/Theme Pentecost Acts of the Apostles 1-2 Children's Illustrated Bible – p. 284-285 Receiving the Holy Spirit
Workshop Name Holy Spirit Lantern
Opening Prayer Dear Lord, Guide us as we receive the Holy Spirit into our hearts. Help us to receive the Holy Spirit and then we will spread the Good News to others in our lives.
Objectives <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Know where Acts is in the New Testament and know that it is the story of the early church after Jesus' death and resurrection. 2. Be able to retell the story of the coming of the Holy Spirit. 3. Begin to understand the role of the Holy Spirit. 4. Understand that the Spirit is with us as we are called to share the Good News.
Supplies Your supply bag will have a small piece of sheet metal and a battery operated small candle. You will need a hammer or something to use like a hammer. You will also need a small nail and glue or a glue stick.
Activity Before beginning the activity discuss the scripture passage with the following questions: I wonder what it felt like to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost? I wonder what Jesus' friends were saying when they spoke in all those languages? I wonder how Jesus' friends felt as they told the people amazing things about God? I wonder how the people felt when they were baptized and received the Holy Spirit? I wonder how they knew this was the Holy Spirit? I wonder what all of these people will do now that they have the gift of the Holy Spirit? Construction of the Lantern The students will punch a Pentecost design into a thin piece of sheet metal. These designs could be crosses, fish, doves, etc.

Use the tip of a nail or a sharp pencil to first draw your design on the metal. Be careful not to make the design so big you can't see the whole thing when you wrap it around the candle.

Use small blocks of wood or a hammer to 'hammer' the punch into the metal.

As a suggestion wrap your metal sheet around a small jar just to get it into a round shape before you wrap it around the candle.

Please remind students that they should NOT replace the tea light with a candle.
Wrap the sheet metal around the candle. Fortunately, the candle on/off button is on the bottom of the candle.

Glue the rolled sheet metal together at the bottom.

Reflection/Evaluation

Who is the Holy Spirit?

Make sure discussion includes that God is three: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit was sent to be with us after Jesus ascended to heaven.

How has Jesus showed that he stills loves you even after you have made a mistake?

How do you show love in return for Jesus?

Can we have the Holy Spirit in us? How?

What should you do with God's gift of the Holy Spirit?

Lord's Prayer



