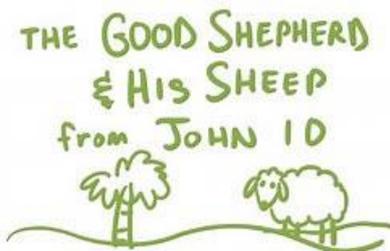


Hello, Everyone.

This Sunday is sometimes called Good Shepherd Sunday. The Gospel reading is about Jesus the Good Shepherd (John 10) and some churches will also read Psalm 23. These videos and activities are about how God cares for us like a shepherd cares for their sheep. Enjoy using them to help you explore what that might mean. Talk together about it as you colour the attached reflective colouring sheet. If you like a bit of structure, scroll to the end.

Just use the first 2 minutes of this animation to hear what Jesus says about being the Good Shepherd. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uKtW_3yQXBw



[The Good Shepherd & His Sheep Bible Animation \(John 10\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uKtW_3yQXBw)

Cartoonist Ron Wheeler illustrates the story of Jesus as the Good Shepherd from John 10. Permission Statement: All animations are available for free use in Sunday School, worship services, Christian schools, and personal use. If you are interested in using the animations commercially, please contact me.

www.youtube.com

A Lego version of the Lost Sheep <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PNY-DPTIFd8>



[Lego Minecraft The Good Shepherd](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PNY-DPTIFd8)

This is the story of the lost sheep in Lego Minecraft. Music composed by Josh Sprague

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCO7OfUQ5DIkHuURpaN1ZaOg>

www.youtube.com

Jesus the Good Shepherd - with real sheep! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zvi5N_y-910



[Good Shepherd Children's Story](#)

This video is a children's story about Jesus as the Good Shepherd featuring our little flock of sheep.

www.youtube.com

Make a Good Shepherd and Sheep set to retell the story. <https://www.catholicicing.com/good-shepherd-learning-activity-and/>



[Good Shepherd Learning Activity and Craft - Catholic Icing](#)

"This is the Good Shepherd, and these are his sheep" (hold up coordinating pieces and set them inside the fence as you talk) "The Good Shepherd always enters through the gate." (bring the shepherd in through the gate) "The sheep know his voice. He calls his own sheep by name, and leads them out" (Take out shepherd, and take out the sheep one at a time behind the shepherd.

www.catholicicing.com

Make a rocking sheep - and on the reverse write 'God cares for us'. <https://www.redtedart.com/rocking-paper-plate-sheep/>



[Rocking Paper Plate Sheep - Red Ted Art - Make crafting with kids easy & fun](https://www.redtedart.com/rocking-paper-plate-sheep/)

The little Paper Plate sheep are so easy to make and the kids will LOVE having a go! This little sheep of course is a perfect Spring craft for Preschoolers.. But as 2015 is the Year of the Sheep, you could make this in conjunction with Chinese New Year too! Well why not... it is SUCH a cute little rocking sheep!

www.redtedart.com

Think about how the Good Shepherd guides us as you make a marble maze!

<http://flamecreativekids.blogspot.com/2015/01/psalm-23-god-guides-us-marble-maze.html>

[Flame: Creative Children's Ministry: Psalm 23: God Guides Us Marble Maze](http://flamecreativekids.blogspot.com/2015/01/psalm-23-god-guides-us-marble-maze.html)

I'm exploring ways of looking creatively at the themes of Psalm 23 and one thing that always strikes me is that God the Shepherd leads us whatever is happening in our lives- whether it is calm and still or dangerous and scary.

flamecreativekids.blogspot.com

If you like a bit of structure, try this:

- Imagine you have a pet (or think about your real pet!). Chat about how you might take care of it. Why is it important to care for pets?
- Watch one of the videos or find a story about Jesus the Good Shepherd in a Bible story book.
- Colour the attached sheet together as you wonder about how Jesus is like a shepherd. Wonder about how we might learn to recognise the Good Shepherd's voice. Wonder about how we know that the Good Shepherd cares for us?
- Make a Good Shepherd set (see the link above) or find some toys and retell the story together. What do you think is the most important part?
- Finish by saying this prayer: Good Shepherd, thank you for loving us and caring for us. Please watch over us today (or this night). Guide us and guard us in all that happens. Amen.
- Finish by saying The Lord's Prayer together.

I hope you have a good week. Remember - whatever happens, the Good Shepherd is with you. Listen out for his voice.

