

These children's worship resources are part of the Peace with Justice Sunday pastor and leader kit, **based on Romans** 14:19 (CEB). It can be adapted for your context and integrated into your worship service with the other material in the kit.

Romans 14:19 Common English Bible

So let's strive for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up.

Prior to sharing the message, be comfortable with the American Sign Language of Peace Be With You

ASL Peace Be with You https://youtu.be/491v3X9p4ho

The world can sometimes feel like a big game of tug-of-war. We might playfully argue about which team is the best, who sings the best songs, or which Taylor Swift album is the coolest. But sometimes, disagreements aren't fun—they can be big and scary, like the ones we see on the news or in real life.

But guess what? God wants us to do things that bring kindness and peace to each other!

What does peace mean for you? (calm, quiet, no arguing)

Can you think of times when people are not getting along and need peace? (siblings that fight, families in divorce, war on the news, trauma in the community) What do you think you can do to bring peace to help someone? (pray for them: not arguing with your siblings/grown-ups when they ask you to do something; help friends solve problems between them; ask grown-ups for help).

I want to teach you something Jesus said after He came back to life and saw His friends again. "Peace Be with You". Repeat and have the children repeat with you. Teach them the motions for the ASL of Peace Be With You. It won't be perfect in this short amount of time yet repeat the motions as you say the phrase.

As peacemakers for God's peace, it's our hope and prayer that we can do things that build up each other - make each other stronger - healthier - happier - and aware of God's peace in our lives.

Let's pray, will you repeat after me so we can pray together.

Dear God
Thank you for this day
Thank you for friends and family
who help us find peace.
Be with those
Who cannot find peace.
Help us to share your love
So all will know your peace.
We Love You God.
Amen.

End your time with saying & signing Peace Be With You.

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