



## **IPC's May Messy Church: Creation**

*In this document you will find all the information you need to do this month's Messy Church activities at home!*

### **Station 1: Leaf Etchings**

**Materials:** Leaves, plain paper, crayons/colored pencils

#### **Instructions**

Gather an assortment of leaves from your yard or neighborhood.

Place a piece of plain paper over them.

Color over on the paper on top of where the leaf is. Watch it appear!

#### **Prayer**

*Dear God, Nature reveals your glory. Help me to see it. Amen.*

## **Station 2: Show & Tell**

**Materials: Anything that you love that reminds you of God's creation**  
(For example: a pet, a family member, a picture of a place you love to go, a plant, etc.)

### **Instructions**

Once you've identified something, talk about it with the people in your family.  
Why do you love it? How does it help you connect with God?

BONUS: Send a picture or \*short\* video of what you chose to Craig, who will post it on the IPC Facebook page! (cshaw@irvpresby.org)

### **Prayer**

*Dear God, Thank you for give us so many wonderful things  
to remind us of your love. Amen.*

## **Station 3: A New Creation**

**Materials: Anything you have sitting around that you could use to be creative!**  
(For example: playdoh, craft supplies, stuff in your recycling bin, glue, scissors, markers)

### **Instructions**

Using whatever materials you've rounded up, create something new! Does it look like a plant, animal, fish, bird, or something else altogether? What name would you give your new species? Talk about why you made it the way you did.

BONUS: Send us a picture of your creation and tell us its name! We'll post it!

Email it to cshaw@irvpresby.org

### **Reflection**

*Every creature (and everything!) that God has made is important, solely because God made it – including you! How can we take good care of God's creation? How can we take better care of ourselves?*

## **Station 4: Water Xylophone**

**Materials:** Pitcher of water; glass jars/bowls; metal spoon

### **Instructions**

Carefully pour some water into each container

Gently tap on the side of each container with the spoon

Notice how it sounds

Try adding more water into some jars and pour some out of other jars

Notice how that changes the sounds

See if you can make a song using your water jars!

### **Reflection**

*All of creation sings God's praise! This week, pay extra attention to the sounds that you hear. How might they be praising God?*