



Toddler Crafts



# Purpose of This Session



- Give you a sneak peek at this year's toddler crafts
- Explain some of the more involved steps in some of the crafts
- Share some useful tips and tricks
- Show some craft samples
- Give you instructions and materials to make a craft of your own



# Craft Time



## ❖ Craft Time Tips

- Make a finished sample of the craft to show
- Pass out one or two pieces for each step instead of a bowl full of things that distract
- Try to find ways for toddlers to be engaged in making their crafts
- Resist making the craft for them. Show them how to do the steps then give them a chance to try
- When scheduling crafts:
  - Keep drying time in mind.
  - Save the simpler craft
  - Think through all the options





# Celtic Crafts - Day 1

## ❖ Fluffy Cotton Sheep

- **Prep:**
  - Make legs by cutting Q-tips in half, insert on the flat side of the foam with a drop of glue.
  - Make head (if desired) by adding the eyes, ears, and tuft on top to give as a whole piece
  - Cut yarn and bell patterns then hole punch
- **During Class:**
  - Toddlers glue cotton balls to body
  - Add face, tail, and bell



# Celtic Crafts - Day 1

## ❖ Sheep Headband

- **Prep:**
  - Cut out the center of a paper plate
  - Print and cut the ear pattern then add tape (if desired)
- **During Class:**
  - Toddlers can attach ears
  - Glue cotton balls to the plate





# Celtic Crafts - Day 2

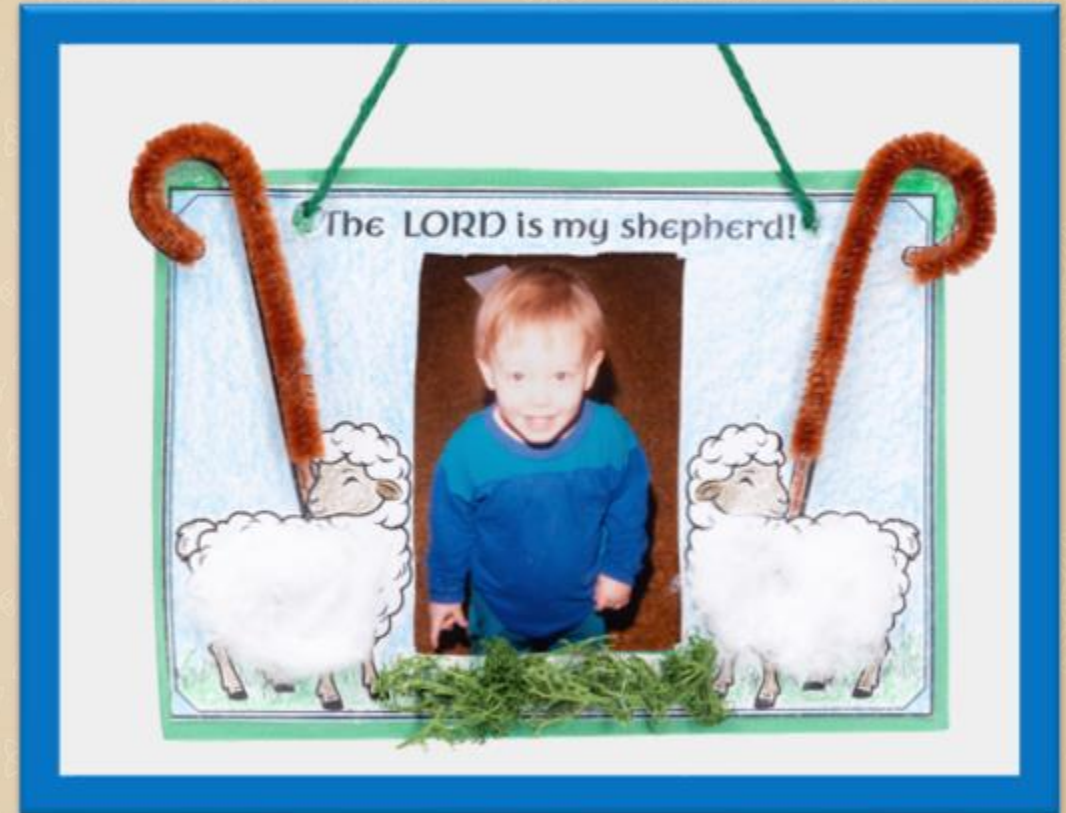
## ❖ My Shepherd Picture Frame

### ▪ Prep:

- Cut the foam sheets for the backing and yarn for the hanger
- Print the picture pattern, hole punch, cut out the photo spot, then attach to the foam.
- Make matching holes in the top of the foam
- Cut and bend the chenille sticks to look like shepherd's staffs

### ▪ During Class:

- Color the picture pattern
- Add extra materials
- Add yarn for hanging



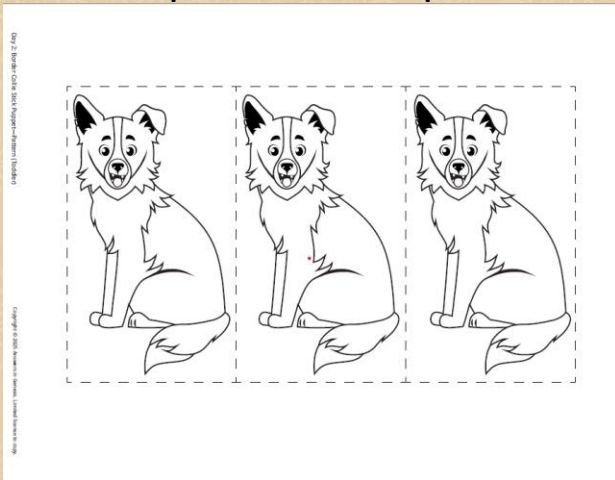


# Celtic Crafts - Day 2

## ❖ Border Collie Stick Puppet

### ▪ Prep:

- Print the pattern and quick-cut



- Cut out felt pieces and yarn
- Pull apart cotton balls

### ▪ During Class:

- Kids color and add extra materials
- Attach puppet to a craft stick

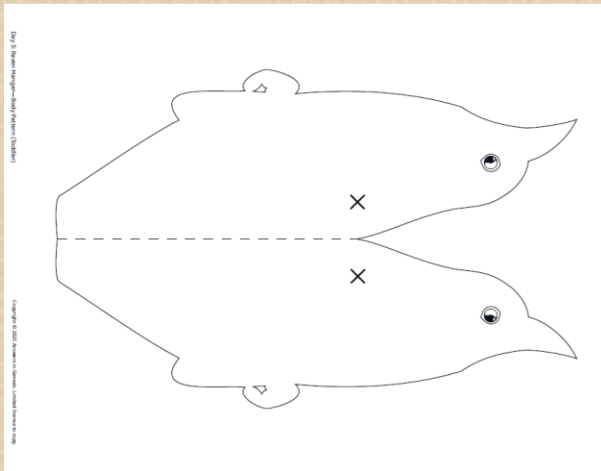


# Celtic Crafts - Day 3

## ❖ Border Collie Stick Puppet

### ■ Prep:

- Print, cut, fold, and glue the pattern together



- Punch a hole in the top behind the marking
- Fold cupcake cups; 1 in half and 2 in quarters

### ■ During Class:

- Toddlers color beak and claws
- Add eyes and feathers





# Celtic Crafts - Day 3

## ❖ He Makes Me Lie Down Night-Light

### ▪ Prep:

- Cut or tear green and blue tissue paper into little pieces
- Print and cut out the label pattern for the lid

### ▪ During Class:

- Toddlers use glue sticks on the sides of the plastic jar and stick tissue pieces all over
- Teacher (or kids) paint on Mod Podge or glue/water mix to give a smooth finish
- Attach the label on top
- Add a tealight then put the lid on





# Celtic Crafts - Day 4

## ❖ Psalm 23 Sensory Book

### ■ Prep:

- Print the cover picture, pages, and patterns
- Trace and cut out patterns and prepare other sensory materials
- Match up the pages and cover together with ribbon

### ■ During Class:

- Toddlers use glue or double-sided tape to attach sensory materials on each page and cover
- Color each page and cover (if desired)





# Celtic Crafts - Day 4

## ❖ You Prepare a Table Place Mat

- **Prep:**
  - Print the pattern on brightly colored paper or card stock
- **During Class:**
  - Toddlers color the dishes and silverware (if desired) then attach stickers
  - Teachers finish with contact paper





# Celtic Crafts - Day 5



## ❖ Rainbow Promise Crown

### ■ Prep:

- Cut the labels, bulletin board boarder, and ribbons
- Make clusters of ribbons and curl the ends

### ■ During Class:

- Toddlers attach rainbow stickers, ribbon clusters, and the label



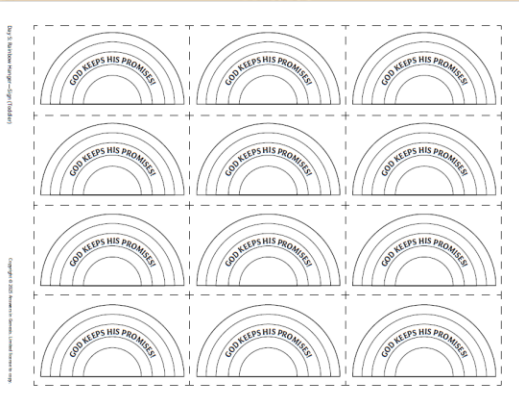


# Celtic Crafts - Day 5

## ❖ Ribbon Rainbow Hanger

### ■ Prep:

- Print and quick-cut the labels, and cut the plates and ribbons



- Place 2 strips of double-sided tape and punch 2 holes at the top

### ■ During Class:

- Toddlers attach label, ribbons, cotton, and stickers
- Teachers tie the hanger then curl the ribbons





# Ribbon Rainbow Hanger Instructions

1. Attach label on upper tape strip
2. Attach ribbons, one at a time in rainbow order (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet) on lower tape strip. Let most of each ribbon hang loosely.
3. Curl the ends of the ribbons by grasping the ribbon in the middle (so it does not pull off of the tape above). Slide a scissor blade against the middle of the ribbon toward the end to curl.
4. Add a few cotton ball clouds
5. Add some raindrop stickers
6. Tie a ribbon through the holes at the top for a hanger

