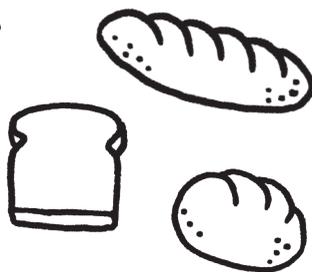


PASSING BREAD TOGETHER



Intergenerational

What Participants Do

Decorate bread shapes and pass in small groups to feed each other.

Before Participants Arrive

- * Make copies of Bread to Share on card stock, one per participant.
- * Select your preferred song from these examples or your church's favorite communion hymn from your worship music resources. Examples include "Let Us Break Bread Together," "Bread to Share," and "Eat this Bread."
- * Write the words to your selected song on a large sticky note.
- * Set up each table with chairs and activity supplies.
- * Obtain a list of participants, assign four or five people to each group, and post the group members on a large sticky note.

Welcome

Invite participants to gather around the tables so all can see.

Welcome to Operation Restoration! Today's theme is Feed. God saw and heard the hungry Hebrew people and sent manna each day to feed them. God feeds and provides for us, and we can feed and provide for each other too. Let's find out what feeds all of you.

We're going to play a game called "Someone Who." First listen for which phrase best describes you. Repeat each of the following phrases multiple times in rhythm. Use the rhythms on the next page to teach each phrase.

Do you like:

Cheese pizza. Cheese pizza.

Or do you like:

Milk. Milk.

Or

Apples. Oranges.

Or

Chocolate chip cookies.

Supplies

- Bread to Share from page 35
- Card stock
- Worship music resources
- Scissors
- Markers
- Colored pencils
- Large sticky notes

Tip

When assigning people to groups, make sure there are different generations in each group. Assign young kids to the same group as a parent.

4/4
Cheese piz - za. Cheese piz - za.

4/4
Milk. Milk.

4/4
Ap - ples. O - ran - ges.

4/4
Choc'late chip cook - ies.

Choose one phrase and practice saying it in your head. When you hear this sound (play your signal sound), **stop. Then we'll play the game.** Give 5-10 seconds for practice, then play your signal sound. Play a few more rounds before directing people to get into groups and move to the activity.

Music Activity

Guide participants through these steps.

1. **Look for your name on the sticky notes and then sit with your group at a table. Tell each other your names and something you ate today.** Allow 3-5 minutes then play your signal sound.
2. **We are going to share pretend bread to feed each other today. Write the words "God feeds us" on one bread shape. Color the bread shape and then cut it out. You can choose a bread shape printed on the paper or create your own bread design on the back of the paper. Then write your name on your bread.** Allow 3-5 minutes, then play your signal sound. Play the melody of a song about bread and feeding while participants are writing, coloring, and cutting.

Tip

If using a different song, use same or similar motions to lift and lower bread or create your own to reflect the words of the song. Participants will better remember the song and lesson by experiencing them in multiple ways.

Tip

If time permits or kids ask to share more bread, send extra pieces home to give to friends or family members to share the story of manna from heaven and sing praise to God.

3. Sing the first line of the song while pretending to hold up a loaf of bread, **“Let us break bread together on our knees.” Lift up your bread to heaven and bring it back down to your knees like manna, following me while we sing.** The example below uses “Let Us Break Bread Together.” Adjust lyrics to the song you choose.
 - Let us break bread together** (lift)
 - On our knees** (lower)
 - Let us break bread together** (lift)
 - On our knees** (lower)
 - When I fall on my knees** (keep lowered)
 - With my face to the rising sun** (lift)
 - Oh, Lord, have mercy on me.** (bring bread to chest/heart)
4. **Gently pass your bread to the person on your left. Continue to pass the pieces of bread while we repeat the song. Sing with me when you are ready.** Repeat the first verse as participants pass their bread to each other.
5. **The Hebrew people praised God for feeding them manna. There was enough for everyone. Put all your group’s bread in the middle of the table. Then choose a new piece of bread that isn’t the one you created. There is enough bread for everyone. Let us praise God!**
6. Sing, “Let us praise God together” verse while lifting and lowering bread:
 - Let us praise God together** (lift)
 - On our knees** (lower)
 - Let us praise God together** (lift)
 - On our knees** (lower)
 - When I fall on my knees** (keep lowered)
 - With my face to the rising sun** (lift)
 - Oh, Lord, have mercy on me.** (bring bread to chest/heart)
7. **Put your bread back in the center of the table. Then choose a new piece of bread that isn’t the one you created. Take this new piece home and pray for the person who created it. Remember that God feeds us.**
8. **Thank you for feeding each other today to remember God feeding the Hebrew people manna from heaven.**

BREAD TO SHARE

