September Kid’s Crafts

Craft 1 – Coffee Filter Butterflies

Romans 8:19

“For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God.”

Butterflies remind us that God transforms creation in unexpected ways. They go from fuzzy, crawly caterpillars to magnificent, colorful, flying butterflies. God also continues to transform us, so that we better reflect God’s love for the world.

* Share about a time you shared God’s love with someone. How did you feel?
* Share about a time someone showed you God’s love. How did you feel?
* Pray that God will help you share love with those you meet.

Supplies Provided

* Pipe Cleaner
* Two Coffee Filters
* Straw

Other Supplies

* Washable Markers
* Water
* Vinegar (optional)
* Cookie Sheet (optional)
* Paper towels (recommended)

Directions

* Flatten the two coffee filters and place on a cookie sheet or another easily cleaned surface.
* Color the coffee filters with the markers, the more color the better.
* Using the straw, drip water on the coffee filters so the colors swirl together. Let dry. You may want to put coffee filters on paper towels on plates to help them dry faster.
* Once dry, fold the coffee filters accordion style, the narrower the fold, the better.
* Fold the pipe cleaner in half, stack the two coffee filters together and slide them into the pipe cleaner to form an X
* Twist the sides of the pipe cleaner together 2-3 times to hold the coffee filters tightly. Form the ends into antennae.
* Fan out the coffee filters to form the butterfly.

Craft 2 – Repurposed Animal Creations

Genesis 2:19

 “So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name.”

God called Adam to name and care for all the animals and plants and every created thing. God created us and gave us the ability to be creative, just like Adam was when he named the animals! Using our imaginations to “create” an animal friend out of recycled materials helps us to care for creation and reminds us that God loves us and calls us by name.

* What is your favorite animal? Say a prayer for that animal and its habitat.
* We show God’s love by caring for the Earth. How do you and your family care for the world that God made?

Supplies Provided:

* Googly eyes
* Stickers
* Pipe cleaners

Other Supplies

* Household recyclables (toilet paper rolls; empty cans/bottles; milk jugs, etc. Be creative!)
* Markers, crayons, etc.
* Glue or tape
* Any other craft supplies you have at home (glitter, yarn, etc.)

Directions

* Use household recyclables and the other craft supplies to “create” an animal. This could be an animal that already exists, a combination of animals you love, or a completely new creation, invented by you!
* Name your animal, just like Adam came up with names for all the animals that God had made.
* \*optional\* share a picture of your animal creation and its name with your pastor so your creation can be featured on the church Facebook page!