

JANUARY 2024 KIDS ASSEMBLY TOPIC

2024 Kids Assembly Topic for January

JESUS STAYS THE SAME!

OBJECTIVES

At the end of the Kids Assembly, MFC Kids will be able to:

- Understand the 2024 MFC Theme easily as MFC Kids
- Realize that they are also called to live out the theme, young as they are
- Be affirmed of God's nature of being the same yesterday, today, and forever

MOTIVATION

Sing and Dance "This is the Day by Planetshakers"

Video Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o0sovLBXAl0

Happy New Year, MFC Kids! As we begin the year, let's make sure our hearts are in a good place! It's important to thank God for being good to us and always keeping His promises. It is key that we acknowledge God's goodness and faithfulness in our lives so we can start the year praising and honoring Him because He is our good good father! Truly, this is the day! This is the year that the Lord has made for you and me. Let us rejoice and be glad! Let us all sing and dance this song as we start our assembly!



EXPANDED OUTLINE

I. HEAD

Hello, MFC Kids! How are you?! Happy new year to all of us! This year is another chance to know Jesus even more and to live like Him! In our MFC community, we are blessed with community themes that help us to become better children of God. This year, our theme is called "Unchanging God." And it is taken from Hebrews 13:8 that says "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."

Our world is constantly changing. People change, seasons change, and what we know changes too! It can feel like nothing stays the same. But guess what?

Even though everything around us is always changing, there's one thing that never does. Our theme says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." That means, no matter what happens or how things are different, JESUS STAYS THE SAME! His love for us never changes. His truths always stay the same. It's like having a friend you can always count on!

We can truly say - "Thank you, Jesus, for your love that never changes! We're so happy that we can always trust you to be the same, especially when everything else is changing around us!"

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II. HEART

God is As MFC Kids, let's ask ourselves - how can I be affirmed of this truth that Jesus will forever be the same?

1. He is the same YESTERDAY - Think about when our grandparents were kids. Back then, Jesus was just as amazing as He is now! Jesus was the same in the past. His love, teachings, and the way he cared for people have not changed since the time he lived on Earth. Imagine Jesus playing with children like you during his time, telling stories about love and kindness, and helping others. His love hasn't changed since those days! The God who loves our parents and grandparents when they are young is the same God who still loves us today.

2. He is the same TODAY - Jesus remains the same. His love, guidance, and promises are still true and available to children today, just as they were to people who lived in the past. Picture this – just like you have friends and family who care about you, Jesus is like the best friend you can always count on. He loves you, guides you, and promises to be with you every day. So, in your world of games, school activities, and playtime, Jesus is right there too, being the same amazing friend that He is! He is present in your life today and every day!

3. He is the same FOREVER - Close your eyes and dream about your future. Guess what? Jesus will still be that same friend, forever! No matter what adventures and challenges you face, you can trust that Jesus will always love and support you. It's like having friend who never lets you down! You can trust

Him because His promises are unchanging and will be the same for all time. You can forever rely on his love and support for you!

III. HANDS



A. Kids at Play (3-4 years old)

Activity: Jesus Stays The Same Coloring Page (Appendix A)

Materials:

• Coloring Materials

Instructions:

- Get your crayons or any of your coloring materials and start to put colors into the drawing page
- Note to the Facilitator: After doing the activity, before the assembly ends, call some representatives and let the kids share their work to the group.

B. First Steps (5-7 years old), Footsteps (8-10 years old) and Step Up (10-

12 years old)

Activity: Jesus Is The Same Autumn Craft (See pictures at Appendix B)

Materials:

- White bond paper
- Marker / Pentel Pens
- Brown Construction Paper
- Glue
- Autumn-Colored Construction Paper (maroon, dark red, orange) for leaves making

Instructions:

 Write the following on a piece of paper to create a white Scripture page -"Seasons Change But Jesus! The Same Yesterday Today And Forever Heb 13:8"

- Instruct children to glue the Scripture paper to the right-of-center of the colored paper.
- 3. Cutout tree trunk and branches from the brown construction paper.
- 4. Instruct children to glue these four to five of the brown strips of paper onto the paper in the larger empty space to the left of the Scripture paper. Explain that these will be the tree trunk and limbs of their autumn tree.
- 5. Instruct them to place leaves (mini autumn leaves/confetti or stickers) on the limbs of the trees and to use the other pieces or stickers to create an autumn scene on the ground.
- 6. Remind children that life is full of changes. The seasons are a good example of this, but Jesus never changes. He is always gracious, loving, and powerful!

IV. TAKE AWAY

Hebrews 13:8

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."

"Jesus Christ is exactly the same in the past, in the present, and in the future." We are all blessed knowing that Jesus is always the same—whether it's a long time ago, right now, or even in the future! Everything around us might be changing a lot, but guess what? Jesus stays amazing and never changes. It's like having a friend who's always there for you, no matter what. Let's continue to believe that Jesus will always stay the same in our lives and in our hearts!

Pray this as your closing prayer –

"Father, in the midst of this ever-changing world, I am so thankful that You never changes! Lord, I am in awe of Your unchanging love and Your unending mercy. In a world that is continuously changing, I boldly proclaim: On Christ the solid Rock I take my firm stand! Truly all other ground is sinking sand. Help me, Holy Spirit, to stand strong for You. Amen."

RECITATION OF MFC KIDS PROMISE

1. I will imitate Jesus.

• I will pray to God and read the Bible every day.

I will make Jesus as my role model by obeying rules and doing good in school.

2. I will be a good family member.

- I will be a good son/daughter to my parents by obeying and respecting them.
- I will be a good sister/brother to my siblings through sharing and supporting them.

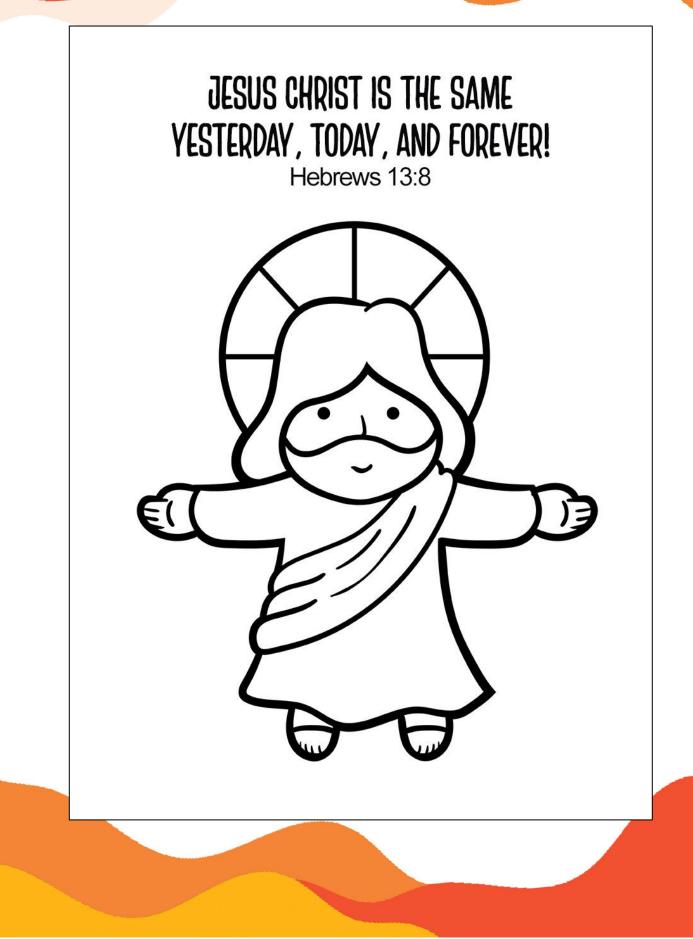
3. I will be an active member of MFC Kids

- I will always attend and participate in all MFC Kids activities.
- I will share my time, talents, and treasures to others especially to my brothers and sisters in MFC Kids
- I will love, respect and be loyal to my MFC Kids family.

4. I will tell others about Jesus.

- I will love my brothers and sisters, relatives, and friends by doing good deeds every day that will reflect God's love.
- I will serve in our Parish Church.
- I will love the poor by sharing what I have with them

Appendix A (Kids at Play)



Appendix B (First Steps, Footsteps, and Step Up)



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Happy New Year! Thank you for letting your kids attend our Kids Assembly this month and for being one with us in believing that they are *never too young to know Christ.* Our topic this month is about the community's theme for this year. They have learned about **God's nature of being the same God yesterday**, **today**, **and forever**. We want to encourage you to help them in living out the take away points that they learned during the assembly. Here are things that you can do to help them:

1. Memorize Scripture Together - Encourage your child to learn important Bible verses that talk about how Jesus never changes. Try starting with Hebrews 13:8, which says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." Make it a fun challenge – maybe turn it into a game or create colorful posters with the verses. This way, the words will stick in their minds, and they'll always remember that Jesus is constant in their lives!

2. Talk about Jesus Moments - Take some time to talk with your child about moments when they felt Jesus with them or guiding them. Share your own experiences too! It could be something like feeling comfort during a tough time or finding joy in simple moments. These conversations will help them realize that Jesus is part of their everyday life. It's like collecting happy memories and realizing Jesus is right there in each one!

3. Show Consistency in Your Life - Kids learn a lot by watching. Be a role model by showing a consistent and faithful lifestyle. Let them see how you rely on Jesus in your daily life – whether it's praying together, reading the Bible, or helping others. Your actions speak louder than words, and when they see you consistently trusting Jesus, it becomes a powerful example for them. It's like you're building a strong foundation of faith together!

After doing the activities, we encourage you to post these on your social media accounts so that you can inspire other parents and families to journey with their kids. Use these hashtags - #MFCKids #ParentChildActivity #MomentsThatMatter. Thank you much and we hope to be with your kid/s next month!

MFC Kids Team