



40 things to do this  summer



*In the Bible, 40 is an important number. Jesus spent 40 days fasting in the wilderness being tempted by the devil; the great flood lasted 40 days and 40 nights; the Jewish people wandered the desert for 40 years.*

These can be done on any order, but try and colour them all in by the time you go back to school. You could bring some of the things you have done to Church when we go back, or email pictures to Rev Reg and Rev Tracy.

**Watch the sunrise / sunset**

**Luke 4:40-42** – At sunset, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of illness, and laying his hands on each one, he healed them. Moreover, demons came out of many people, shouting, ‘You are the Son of God!’ But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew he was the Messiah. At **daybreak**, Jesus went out to a solitary place. The people were looking for him and when they came to where he was, they tried to keep him from leaving them

**Make a lantern**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CeZKYGmuZn0>  
**Matthew 5:14** – ‘You are the light of the world.’

**Wash up / Fill the dishwasher**

**John 12:2** – Here a dinner was given in Jesus’ honour. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him.

**Find 5 different kinds of leaves**

**Luke 21:30** – When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near.

**Put some clothes aside for charity / food bank**

**Matthew 25:36** – I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was ill and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.”

**Learn a hymn off by heart**

**Psalm 96** – Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name;  
**Ephesians 5:19** – Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord

**Re-create the Noah story to include different animals to what is mentioned in the bible**

**Genesis 6:9 – 9:17**

**Make a flower necklace**

**Luke 12:27** – ‘Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these.’

**Have a dance in the rain**

**Acts 14:17** – ...he has shown kindness by giving you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons; he provides you with plenty of food and fills your hearts with joy.

**Fly a kite**

**Matthew 7:25** – The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.

**Work out how long you have been alive in hours, minutes and seconds**

**Matthew 10:30** – And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered.

**Find baby pictures of all your family members**

**Jeremiah 1:5** – ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.’

**Wave at people going past. Keep going until 3 people wave back at you.**

**Matthew 25:35** – I was a stranger and you invited me in...

**Help make dinner**

**Luke 13:29** – People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

**Do some rock painting**

**Luke 19:40** – ‘I tell you,’ he replied, ‘if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.’

**Make a cake (or similar) for a neighbour**

**Matthew 10:42** – And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.’

**Learn a new dance**

**Psalm 149:3** – Let them praise his name with dancing...

**Make your bed**

**Matthew 9:6** – So he said to the paralysed man, ‘Get up, take your mat and go home.’

Have a campfire and cook marshmallows

**John 21:9** – When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread

Write a Thank You letter to someone

**Psalm 138** – I thank you, Lord, with all my heart;

Learn to say 'Hello' in at least 5 different languages

**Acts 2:6** – When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.

Do the mannequin challenge

**Psalm 46:10** – He says, 'Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.'

Have a picnic

**Matthew 14:19** – And he told the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people.

Walk a mile (or maybe 2)

**Matthew 5:41** – If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles.

Have a family film or game night

**Mark 3:25** – If a family divides itself into groups which fight each other, that family will fall apart.

Write a 24-word story

**Acts 11:4** – Starting from the beginning, Peter told them the whole story

Draw your own mythical creature

**Psalm 104:24** – How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Learn a magic trick

**Luke 20:23** – But Jesus saw through their trick

Find 5 mini-beasts

**Psalm 50:11** – I know every bird in the mountains, and the insects in the fields are mine.

Have a water balloon fight

**John 3:5** – Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.'

Go raspberry / blackberry picking

**Galatians 5:22-23** – But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Visit a museum

**Proverbs 24:4** – through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures.

Camp in the garden

**Matthew 26:43** – When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy

Build a rocket

**Isaiah 29:6** – the Lord Almighty will come with thunder and earthquake and great noise

Take something apart

**1 Corinthians 12:12** – Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.

Try a new sport

**2 Timothy 2:5** – Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules.

Go cloud watching

**Luke 21:27** – Then the Son of Man will appear, coming in a cloud with great power and glory.

Grow your own fruit and / or veg

**Matthew 13:24-29** – The parable of the weeds

Do some stargazing

**Psalm 147:4** – He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.

Create finger print animals

**Genesis 1:24** – And God said, 'Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind.' And it was so.

