



Watch the **Theme Video** for today online, links are available on our website, www.oslcdale.org/vbs

Bible Story

- Read Genesis 1:24-31
- Look at *The Story of Creation* or *The Work of His Hands for Kids*
- Discuss:
 - What animals have you seen lately?
 - A bushy tailed squirrel scampering in the trees, a deer sipping water at a creek, and a bird pulling up a worm, all praise God by simply being. They speak of the power and creativity of God. They are the work of His hands!
 - What can you learn about the nature of God through His animal creation?
 - If you have a table or other area in the home where you have family devotions, find something which reminds you of God's love to animals and people and put it there. Maybe it is a furry stuffed animal. Maybe it is a cross which reminds us of how Jesus entered into the work of His hands to save us.

Service Project ideas

- Visit a pet shelter. There are even opportunities to hike with a pet! The Humane Society has volunteer resources listed here: <https://humanesocietysil.org/get-involved/volunteer/>
- Extend God's love into your community. You could help out at a shelter like Good Samaritan house. They need donations of milk, bread and hand sanitizer. For more information, visit: <https://goodsamcarbondale.com/help-now>
- Bald Knob Cross is where the theme video for today was recorded. If you can visit it, they have a resource for planning your visit here: <https://www.baldknobcross.com/plan-your-visit/>

Craft

- Take a piece of paper.
- Trace an outline of the hand of each person in your household.
- Color a red circle in the middle of each hand as a reminder of God's love in action: Jesus' death on the cross.

Snack

- Take the two bags marked “Thursday snack” and mix together a yummy Zoo Trail Mix.
- Think about all the amazing ways God shows the work of His hands through animals and people.

Hymn

- Sing Hymn 801 How Great Thou Art, a Youtube link with lyrics and music is available on the website.