

EARLY CHILDHOOD

MINISTRY RESOURCES



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Holiday Ideas for November 2026

November 3—National Sandwich Day: [Bringing Agriculture into the Classroom: Sandwiches](#) uses sandwiches to teach young children where food comes from. Children can identify ingredients, sort foods, and assemble pretend sandwiches while developing vocabulary and sequencing skills. (*American Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture*)

November 11—Veterans Day: [The Veterans Day Preschool Unit Study](#) introduces Veterans Day through hands-on crafts, picture books, and simple learning activities. Includes ideas for patriotic headbands, poppy crafts, and classroom projects that help young children understand the importance of honoring veterans. (*Homeschool Preschool*)

November 25—Marc Brown's Birthday: Introduce Marc Brown as an author and illustrator who creates stories about children's everyday experiences. Invite your students to draw their own animal character and tell a story about it. Find more ideas at [Arthur](#) in *PBS Kids for Parents*.

November 26-Thanksgiving: Discover Thanksgiving-themed crafts, recipes, early math activities, sing-alongs, and mini-books at [Thanksgiving-Themed Teaching Tools to be Thanks For](#). The article describes a preschool–kindergarten printable activity packet available through Scholastic Teachables. (*Scholastic*)

Looking for a way to help children who sometimes struggle in a large classroom setting? Try a sensory room for your ministry! Learn more at [How to Create a Sensory Room for Your Ministry](#). (Elle Stumbo in *Children'sMinistry.com*)

Discover six practical ways to incorporate singing, chanting, and music into the early childhood classroom. In [Incorporating Music Throughout the Learning Day](#), teachers learn how to use familiar songs, children's names, movement, and repetition to build language skills, strengthen relationships, and reinforce classroom learning. (Rebecca Anne Swartz and Kira Hamann in *NAEYC*)

This week, LEA is highlighting the book:

Found You!

Written by Jane Godwin

Illustrated by Sylvia Jukes Morris

Penguin Random House

2025

Hide and Seek is a fun game...at least most of the time. This story reminds children of the anxious feelings they may experience while playing games, especially in new places.

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