

**Joyful Heart Learning in April**  
2 Year Olds

Month	Theme	Weeks & Days	Theme Time	Math and Art Time	Listening Time	Other
<b>April</b>  <b>Bible Concept:</b> God provides for my needs.  <b>Playdough:</b> Orange  <b>Sensory Tub:</b> Colored Rice, measuring cups, wooden spoons, muffin tins, mixing bowl	<b>Theme:</b> Baking: Breads/Muffins/ Cake/Pizza  <b>Bible Memory:</b> Matthew 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.	W1, D1 <i>Bread</i>	<b>Theme Story:</b> <u>The Little Red Hen</u> Byron Barton  <b>Theme Related Activity:</b> -Explore various bread grains with a magnifying glass -Conduct a yeast experiment to see why bread rises	<b>Math:</b> Make Bread Dough Sculptures  <b>Art:</b> -Make and eat Painted Toast	<b>Songs/Movement:</b> 'Making Bread' 'Dough Dance'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read Matthew 6:25-34 and/or Luke 12:22-34. Introduce Bible Concept and Bible Memory.</li> </ul>
		W1, D2 <i>Muffins</i>	<b>Theme Story:</b> <u>If You Give a Moose a Muffin</u> by Laura Numeroff  <b>Theme Related Activity:</b> -Muffin Tasting Party Ask each family to make one type of muffin from a box. Maybe have jam too.	<b>Math:</b> Muffin Tin Counting and patterning  <b>Art:</b> Muffin Tin Crayons	<b>Songs/Movement:</b> 'Do You Know the Muffin Man?' ( <i>Change to fir in your child's name and address.</i> )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visit a Bakery</li> <li>• Make a Baker's Hat</li> </ul>
		W2, D1 <i>Cake</i>	<b>Theme Story:</b> <u>Pat a Cake</u> by Tony Kenyon  <b>Theme Related Activity:</b> Make playdough cakes (pat, poke, mark with initial, add candles, and cut)	<b>Math:</b> Sort shapes found in a bakery or visit a real bakery and point out different shapes seen.  <b>Art:</b> Tilt and Roll (vary pans used – bread, pizza, cake, muffin etc.)	<b>Songs/Movement:</b> 'Pat a Cake'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set up Pizza Place in the playroom</li> </ul>
		W2, D2 <i>Pizza</i>	<b>Theme Story:</b> <u>The Pizza That We Made</u> by Joan Holub  <b>Theme Related Activity:</b> -Build a felt pizza -Make and Eat English Muffin Pizzas	<b>Math:</b> -Sort pizza slices into boxes by size -Make AB patterns with pizza toppings  <b>Art:</b> Fingerpaint a pizza!	<b>Songs/Movement:</b> 'Cheese Pizza'	
		<b>Additional Theme Related Stories:</b> <u>Pizza Party!</u> by Grace Maccarone, <u>The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza</u> by Philemon Sturges, <u>Pizza Pat</u> by Rita Gelman, <u>Hi Pizza Man</u> by Virginia Walter, <u>Hold the Anchovies!: A Book About Pizza</u> by Shelly Rotner, <u>Bread, Bread, Bread</u> by Ann Morris, <u>Bread and Jam for Frances</u> by Russell Hobin, <u>Good Bread: A Book of Thanks</u> by Brigatte Weninger; <u>Froggy Bakes a Cake</u> by Jonathan London. <u>Flicka, Ricka, Dicka Bake a Cake</u> by Maj Lindman, <u>Don't Wake Up Mama! (A Five Little Monkeys Story)</u> by Eileen Christelow, <u>A Cake All for Me!</u> by Karen Magnuson Beil				