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## Liturgical Stained Glass Window Craft for Kids

Children will create a glowing “stained glass” window using tissue paper. When sunlight shines through, the colors help them remember the seasons of the Church year.

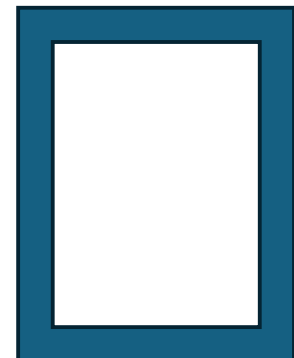
### Materials

- Tissue paper in liturgical colors:
  - **Purple** – Advent & Lent
  - **White** – Christmas, Easter, Feasts
  - **Green** – Ordinary Time
  - **Red** – Pentecost & Martyrs
- Black construction paper
- Clear contact paper **or** wax paper
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Optional: gold tissue paper for feast days

### □ Step-by-Step Instructions

#### Step 1: Create the Window Frame

- Fold a sheet of black or blue construction paper in half.
- Cut out a large arch or rectangle, leaving a thick border.
- Open it — this becomes your stained-glass frame.





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## 2. Prepare the Sticky Surface

- Lay down a sheet of **clear contact paper** sticky side up.



## 3. Add Liturgical Colors

- Tear tissue paper into small squares or shapes.
- Let children choose colors based on the liturgical season.
- Press the pieces onto the sticky surface to make a mosaic.





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#### 4. Seal the Artwork

- Add a second sheet of contact paper on top.



#### 5. Attach the Frame

- Glue the black frame over the mosaic.
- Trim the edges neatly.





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## 6. Display the Window

- Hang in a sunny window.
- Watch the liturgical colors glow like stained glass.

### ✨ Optional Extensions

- Add **gold** for feast days.
- Cut tissue paper into **crosses, flames, doves, or hearts**.
- Make a **classroom liturgical window** by combining everyone’s frames.
- Pair the craft with a **liturgical calendar lesson**.

| Color  | Season                    | Meaning                 |
|--------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Purple | Advent & Lent             | Preparing our hearts    |
| White  | Christmas, Easter, Feasts | Joy, glory, celebration |
| Green  | Ordinary Time             | Growing in faith        |
| Red    | Pentecost & Martyrs       | Holy Spirit, courage    |