

Need another word that means the same as “preach”? Find 29 synonyms and 30 related words for “preach” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Preach” are: prophesy, advocate, give a sermon, deliver a sermon, sermonize, spread the gospel, evangelize, address, speak, proclaim, teach, spread, propagate, expound, explain, make known, recommend, advise, urge, exhort, counsel, champion, inculcate, instil, moralize, be moralistic, pontificate, lecture, harangue

Preach as a Verb

Definitions of "Preach" as a verb

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “preach” as a verb can have the following definitions:

- *Used to affirm one's approval of or support for a stated opinion, advocated course of action, etc.*
- *Give moral advice to someone in a pompously self-righteous way.*
- *Speak, plead, or argue in favor of.*
- *Deliver a sermon or religious address to an assembled group of people, typically in church.*
- *Deliver a sermon.*
- *Publicly proclaim or teach (a religious message or belief).*
- *Earnestly advocate (a belief or course of action).*



Synonyms of "Preach" as a verb (29 Words)

address	Write the name and address of the intended recipient on an envelope letter or parcel. <i>Address your complaints to the Trading Standards Board.</i>
advise	Make a proposal, declare a plan for something. <i>I advised him to go home.</i>
advocate	Speak, plead, or argue in favor of. <i>The doctor advocated a smoking ban in the entire house.</i>
be moralistic	Happen, occur, take place.
champion	Protect or fight for as a champion. <i>He championed the rights of the working class and the poor.</i>
counsel	Give professional help and advice to (someone) to resolve personal or psychological problems. <i>Careers officers should counsel young people in making their career decisions.</i>

deliver a sermon	Utter (an exclamation, noise, etc.
evangelize	Preach the gospel (to). <i>Some small groups have been evangelized by Protestant missionaries.</i>
<u>exhort</u>	Strongly encourage or urge (someone) to do something. <i>Come on you guys exhorted Linda.</i>
explain	Make (an idea or situation) clear to someone by describing it in more detail or revealing relevant facts. <i>They explained that their lives centred on the religious rituals.</i>
expound	Present and explain (a theory or idea) in detail. <i>The abbess expounded the scriptures to her nuns.</i>
give a sermon	Give food to.
<u>harangue</u>	Deliver a harangue to address forcefully. <i>He harangued the public on their ignorance.</i>
<u>inculcate</u>	Teach (someone) an attitude, idea, or habit by persistent instruction. <i>They will try to inculcate you with a respect for culture.</i>
instil	Gradually but firmly establish (an idea or attitude) in a person's mind. <i>The standards her parents had instilled into her.</i>
lecture	Give a lecture to a class or other audience. <i>Did you ever lecture at Harvard.</i>
make known	Undergo fabrication or creation.
moralize	Comment on issues of right and wrong, typically with an unfounded air of superiority. <i>Moralize a story.</i>
pontificate	Administer a pontifical office. <i>The new professor always pontificates.</i>
<u>proclaim</u>	Say something emphatically; declare. <i>He had a rolling gait that proclaimed him a man of the sea.</i>
<u>propagate</u>	Cause to propagate as by grafting or layering. <i>Sound and light propagate in this medium.</i>
prophesy	Deliver a sermon. <i>Jacques was prophesying a bumper harvest.</i>
recommend	Make attractive or acceptable. <i>A book I recommended to a friend of mine.</i>
sermonize	Deliver an opinionated and dogmatic talk to someone. <i>This man always sermonizes.</i>

- speak** (of a musical instrument or other object) make a sound when functioning.
*I ll **speak** to him if he calls.*
- spread** Spread across or over.
*He sighed **spreading** jam on a croissant.*
- spread the gospel** Cover by spreading something over.
- teach** Work as a teacher.
*She **teaches** at the local high school.*
- urge** Force or impel in an indicated direction.
*Drawing up outside the house he **urged** her inside.*



Usage Examples of "Preach" as a verb

- *He preached to a large congregation.*
- *Viewers want to be entertained, not preached at.*
- *My parents have always preached toleration and moderation.*
- *He preached the word of God.*

- *The minister is not preaching this Sunday.*
- *'All coaches in this league need to be better—it's embarrassing.'* *'Preach it, Michael.'*
- *'Please continue to speak up if you see bullying—it could save another's life.'* *'Preach.'*
- *Our pastor will preach the sermon.*



Associations of "Preach" (30 Words)

altar	The table in Christian churches where communion is given.
apostle	An important early Christian teacher or pioneering missionary. <i>An apostle of revolution.</i>
baptismal	Of or relating to baptism. <i>We will renew our baptismal vows.</i>
catholic	Of or relating to or supporting Catholicism. <i>Her tastes are pretty catholic.</i>
christian	Relating to or characteristic of Christianity.
confessional	Relating to confessions of faith or doctrinal systems. <i>The priest leaned forward in his best confessional manner.</i>
dais	A low platform for a lectern or throne.
doctrine	A stated principle of government policy, mainly in foreign or military affairs. <i>The doctrine of predestination.</i>
epistle	A specially long, formal letter. <i>Activists firing off angry epistles.</i>
evangelist	The writer of one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, or John). <i>A local evangelist working with a youth mission.</i>
exposition	A systematic interpretation or explanation (usually written) of a specific topic. <i>A systematic exposition of the idea of biodiversity.</i>
foretell	Predict (the future or a future event). <i>A seer had foretold that the earl would assume the throne.</i>
homiletics	The branch of theology that deals with sermons and homilies.
homily	A tedious moralizing lecture. <i>She delivered her homily about the need for patience.</i>
lectern	Desk or stand with a slanted top used to hold a text at the proper height for a lecturer.
martyr	Torture and torment like a martyr. <i>I m a martyr to migraine.</i>
missionary	Relating to or characteristic of a missionary or a religious mission. <i>Our taxi driver shared a sense of missionary zeal with us.</i>
oratory	(in the Roman Catholic Church) a society of priests without vows, especially the Oratory of St Philip Neri founded in 1564. <i>He loved the sound of his own oratory.</i>

ordination	The act of ordaining; the act of conferring (or receiving) holy orders. <i>The ordination of women.</i>
podium	Of a competitor in a sporting event finish first second or third so as to appear on a podium to receive an award. <i>I took the score out of my briefcase and put it on the podium.</i>
priesthood	The body of ordained religious practitioners. <i>There was relief among the Anglican priesthood.</i>
prophecy	Predict or reveal through, or as if through, divine inspiration. <i>Jacques was prophecying a bumper harvest.</i>
prophet	In Christian use the books of Isaiah Jeremiah Ezekiel Daniel and the twelve minor prophets. <i>He is repeatedly hailed as a prophet of modernism.</i>
pulpit	Religious teaching as expressed in sermons. <i>Many ministers delivered political guidance from their pulpits.</i>
recitation	Systematic training by multiple repetitions. <i>The history of an organization is more important than the recitation of details like this.</i>
rostrum	A raised platform supporting a film or television camera. <i>These beetles are very easily recognized by the rostrum or beak.</i>
seer	An expert who provides forecasts of the economic or political future. <i>Our seers have grown gloomier about prospects for growth.</i>
seminary	A college that trains students to be priests, rabbis, or ministers.
sermon	A long or tedious piece of admonition or reproof; a lecture. <i>I preached my first sermon on original sin.</i>
stump	Remove tree stumps from. <i>Detectives are stumped for a reason for the attack.</i>

