



Winchester, Eastleigh and Romsey
Methodist Circuit

Family Easter fun newsletter 2024

Hi Everyone and welcome to this Easter special. We hope you enjoy the variety of ways to help you as a family engage with the events of Holy Week. At the end of this edition this is a selection of flyers for events that may interest you and your families. Have fun engaging with these pages and let us know what you



Bible character
Jesus—Foot washer
Bible verse
John 13 1-20

You can watch the story using the this code

Why is this important?

By washing the disciples really smelly dirty feet Jesus demonstrated how they should treat other people. Jesus wanted us all to know that that treating people as equals and helping people is really important.

Jesus loves us all so much that he wants the best for us and for us to live by his example, is to help and care for all people.

As you watch the video consider how you think Jesus would want you to treat other people.

Something to think about?

What skills or talents do you have that you can use to help others?



Use this QR code
To see the
Bible Story of
Jesus washing the
disciples feet.



Will you wash your family members feet!

Check out this song :
Love one another



Jesus ,

When you washed the disciples feet you showed us that no one is more important than anyone else.

Thank you that you care for us all, so help us to care for each other, to love each other in the same way that you love us.

Amen



Send us your jokes for the

Joke zone

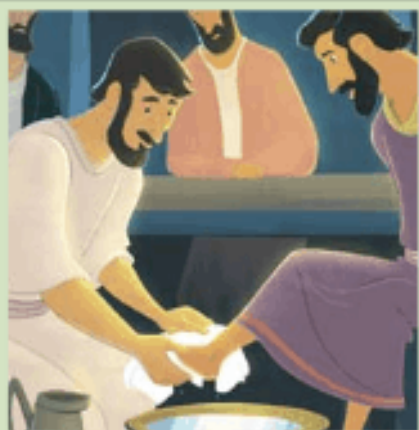
What kind of tree fits in your hand?

A palm tree!

Jesus Washed the Disciples' Feet

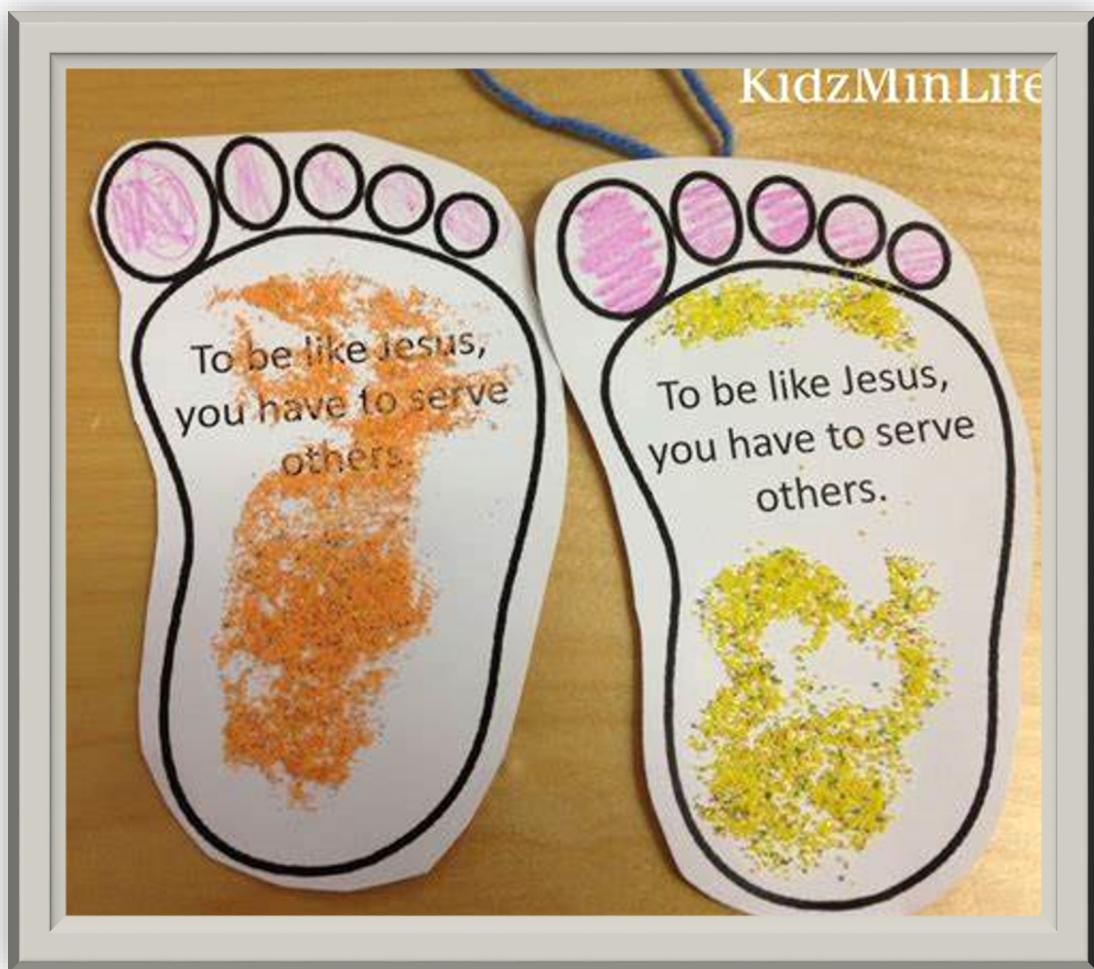
Word Search

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be left to right, up and down, or diagonally.



BASIN
 DISCIPLES
 DRIED
 FEET
 ROBE
 SUPPER
 TEACHER
 TOWEL
 WASHED
 WATER





GRAFT ZONE

For this craft you will need to take those shoes and socks off (you may wish to hold your nose whilst you do this).

Now draw around your foot to create a foot template; do this for both feet.

Now write these words on your feet

"To be like Jesus you need to serve others"

To finish your feet craft you need to add the sand and dirt, to do this put some glue in patches over your feet template and then add sand coloured glitter, if you don't have glitter you could use salt that you colour by rubbing coloured chalks into it.





MAUNDY THURSDAY



Create the last supper scene using Lego.



What did Jesus say right before the last supper?
Everybody get on this side of the table if you want to be in the picture.



Joke zone

Check out this song :

Remember Me



Bible character Jesus—Last Supper

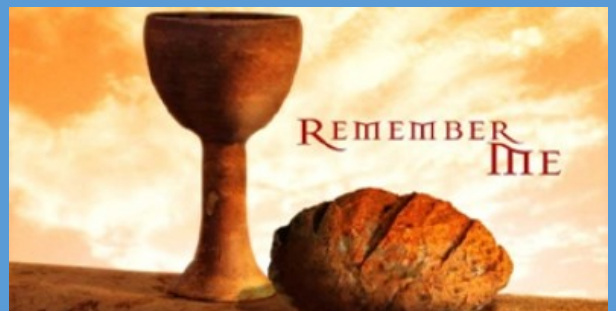
Bible verse Matthew 26: 26-29

Why is this important?

This is **really really really** important, because it helps us remember exactly what Jesus did for us. The disciples did not understand the true importance at the time; to be honest I bet they were a bit confused, I know I would have been. We know what's coming next, we know that the Friday is approaching and that Jesus was about to sacrifice everything for us all.

Something to think about?

Maybe pour out some blackcurrant juice and have a piece of bread ready. Now drink and eat it whilst considering what Jesus said about how we remember him. As you do this also think about what Jesus means to you?





The Last Supper



Find the Hidden Words

Word Bank

- Passover
- Table
- Apostles
- Cup
- Wine
- Bread
- Body
- Covenant
- Blood
- Jesus
- Jerusalem

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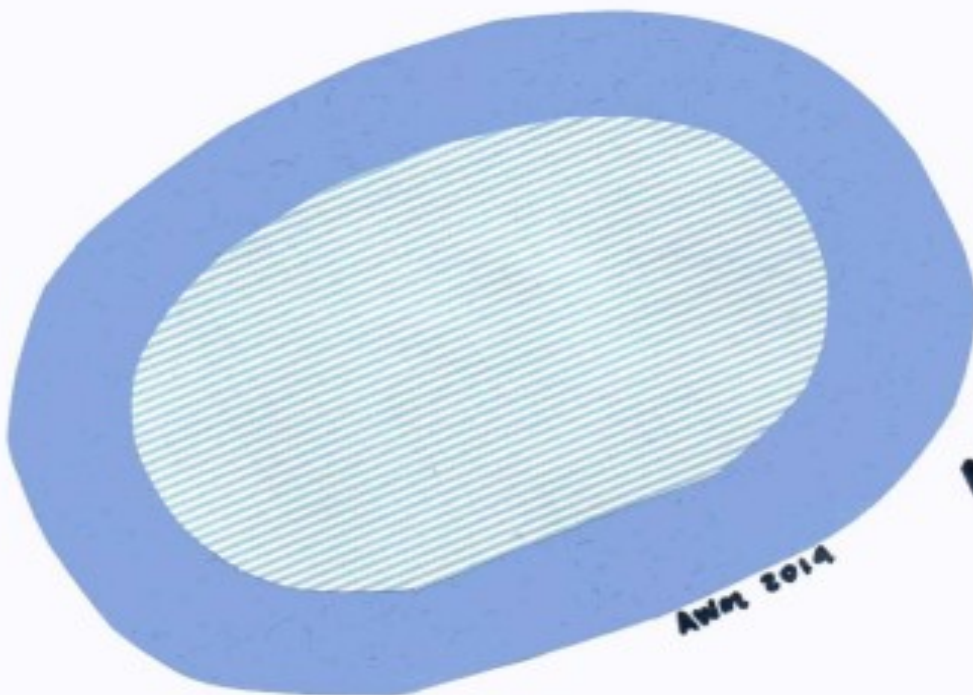
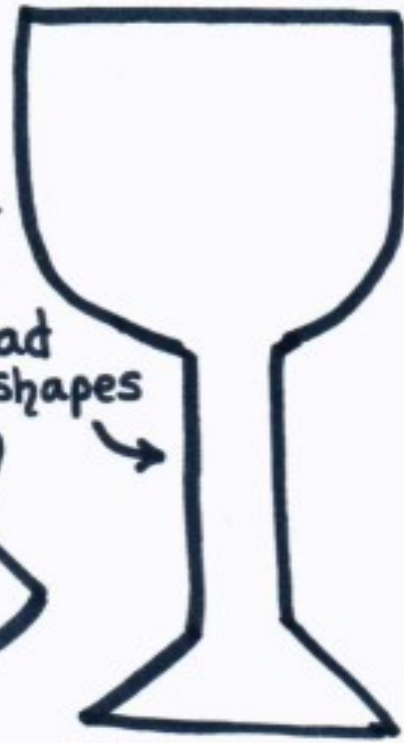


GRAFT ZONE

remember me

At a special meal, Jesus asked his disciples to remember him.

Use playdough to make a cup and some bread in these shapes



What is your special meal?

Use play dough to make it on this plate.

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Bible character Jesus—Good Friday



Bible verse Luke 23: 26-49



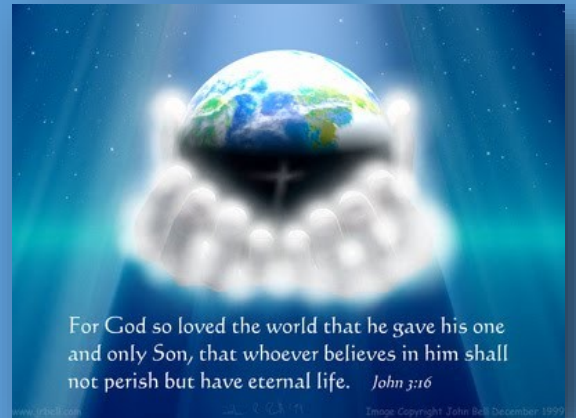
Why is this important?

Jesus loved us so much that he was willing to die for us; that is something very special. In Johns gospel we read these words **“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son.”** On Good Friday we remember Jesus dying on the cross. He died for all of us and for all the times that we turned away from God. Don’t worry though the story does not stop there Sunday is coming!!!!

Something to do and a prayer:

Why not go for a walk and gather a couple of small sticks. Now make a wooden cross with your sticks and think about how much Jesus loves you. With your cross in hand think about all the things that stop you focusing on God, now ask Jesus to forgive you.

Remember that Jesus died on the cross so that we can be forgiven for the things we are truly sorry for.



Create a Heart picture

Draw all the things you love in your heart.

You can stick pictures in your heart as well.

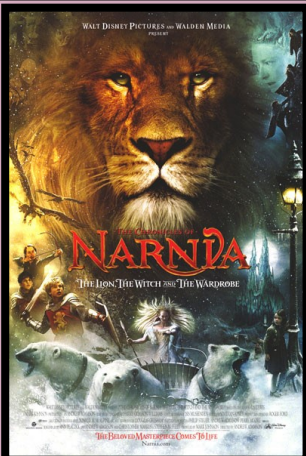


Family Time

Watch together “The Lion Witch and the Wardrobe”

If you don’t have it on dvd you can find a BBC version is on youtube.

As you watch the film think about the character Alsan and what he does for the children!!



Check out this song :

It was a ???? Friday

GRAFT ZONE



Stage two

Now use the Matchmakers to make a cross: you will need three.

You may want to use icing to stick your cross together, or you might want to use a strawberry lace to tie your cross together.

Once your jelly is set put it onto a plate (see the picture above) and then carefully place your cross into the jelly. Before you eat it, maybe say a prayer to thank Jesus for what he did for us.

As you are making this, think about what Jesus did for us on Good Friday.

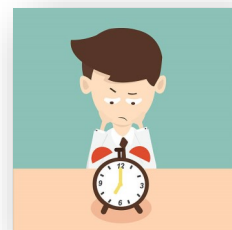
You will need:

- Green Jelly
- Matchstick makers
- Icing for glue or strawberry laces
- A round pudding bowl

Stage One

Make up your Jelly in a round pudding bowl (you will need three or one big bowl). Make the jelly use the packet instructions.

You need to be patient now and wait for the Jelly to cool and set.



Holy Saturday

In silence we await



Watch and wait for Jesus, enjoy this short film
"Holy Saturday a prayer for Kids"



The challenge for today is to take a moment to stop.
Stop and think about what Jesus means to you

Check out this song :

In your time



Holy Saturday

Why is this important?

Holy Saturday is the last day of Lent, the day between Jesus dying on the cross and being raised from death on Easter Sunday. It is a day that some Christian's will think about what Jesus did on the cross.

Some people will light candles to represent the light of Jesus in this dark day.

Something to think about ?

Think about how the disciples must have felt on this Holy Saturday?

Have you ever felt sad? What did you do to cheer yourself up?

The wonderful thing is that we know Sunday is coming and that is good news indeed.

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for coming to this earth and save us.

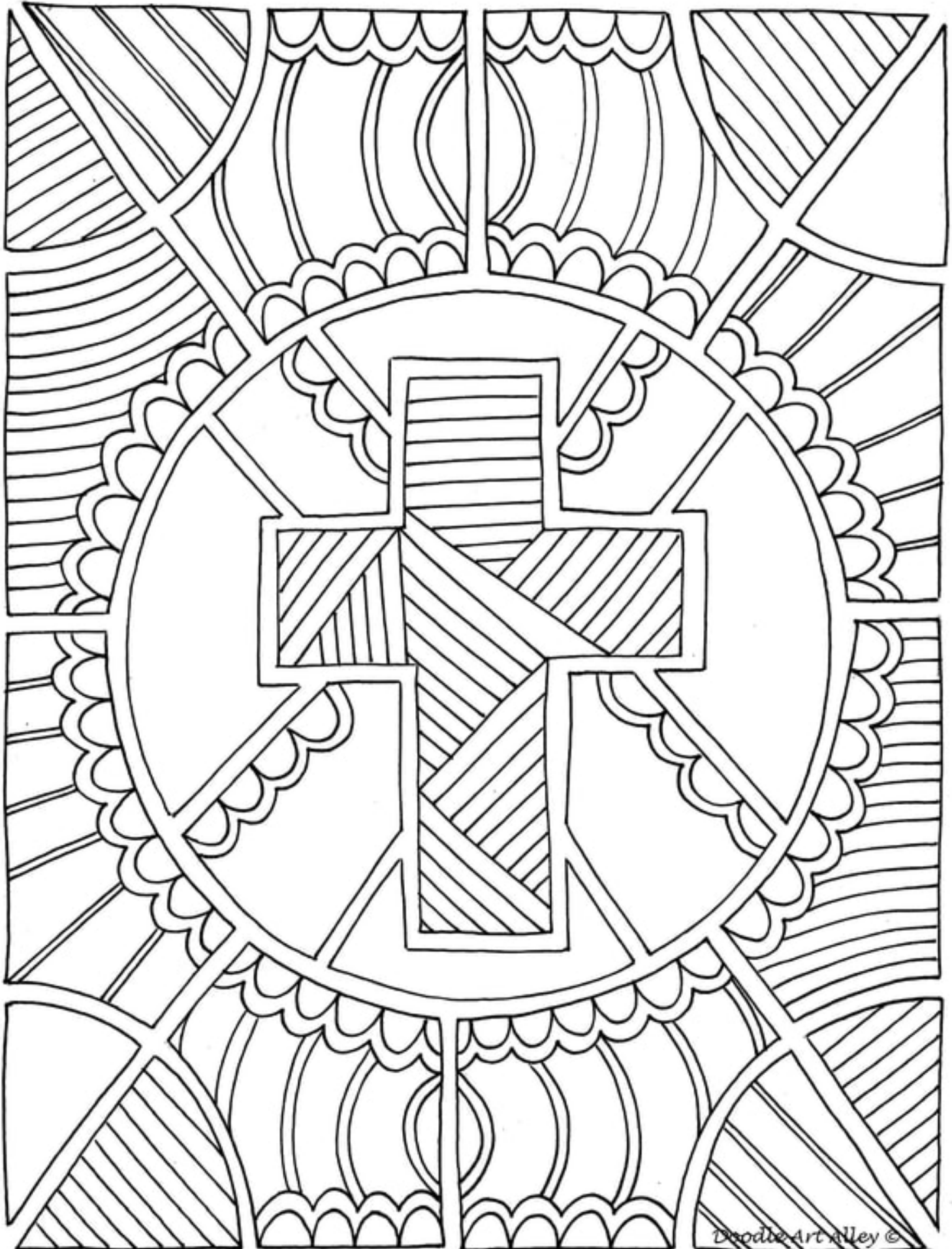
You came as a baby and grew into a perfect man. You never sinned.

Thank You for choosing to take away my sins and loving me the way You do.

Thank You for coming to save the world and for saving me.

Amen



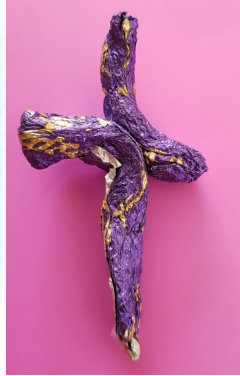


Take your time to colour in the picture of the cross and whilst colouring think about what Jesus did for you.

Happy
Easter

He is not here;
he has
Risen!

Luke 24:6



Use an Easter Egg wrapper to make your own cross or you could even make your own Easter garden.

Instruction sheet on next page!



Why shouldn't you tell an Easter Egg a Joke?



Because it could crack up!!.

Joke zone

Check out this song :

*One Two Three Jesus
is alive*



Bible character Jesus—Resurrection

Bible verse Matthew 28:1-10

Why is this important? Jesus defeated death and saved us all, it also shows us that our sins have indeed been truly forgiven how amazing is that! It is the greatest event in history!!!!!!

Something to think about and do? How can you share the good news that Jesus is Risen?

You might want to make a really colourful bright poster celebrating Easter Sunday. You may want to put these words on it "The Joy of Easter shines through."



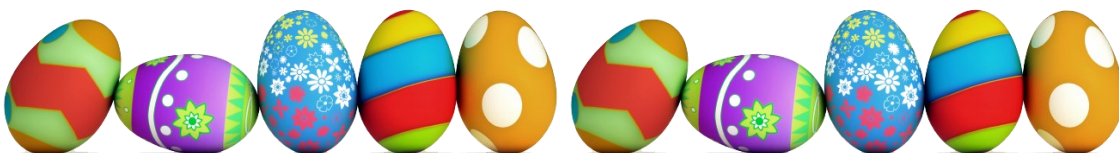
PRAYER

Thank you Jesus, for showing yourself to us, as you showed yourself to Mary.

Thank you for beating death so that we do not have to be afraid;

Thank you for giving us this wonderful message, so that we can share it with others.

Amen



Easter garden in pictures

These pictures will help you design your own Easter Garden, you can off course design your own, just remember to have the empty tomb in it.

If you manage to make one please do send us pictures for the next newsletter.



Jesus Is Alive!

(John 20)

At the empty tomb, Mary Magdalene talked to a man. She thought he was a gardener. But then she saw that the man was really Jesus! He had risen from the dead and was alive again!

Color the picture using the code. Cut it out and tape it up so you can be reminded of this wonderful truth!

1 = green

3 = blue

5 = pink

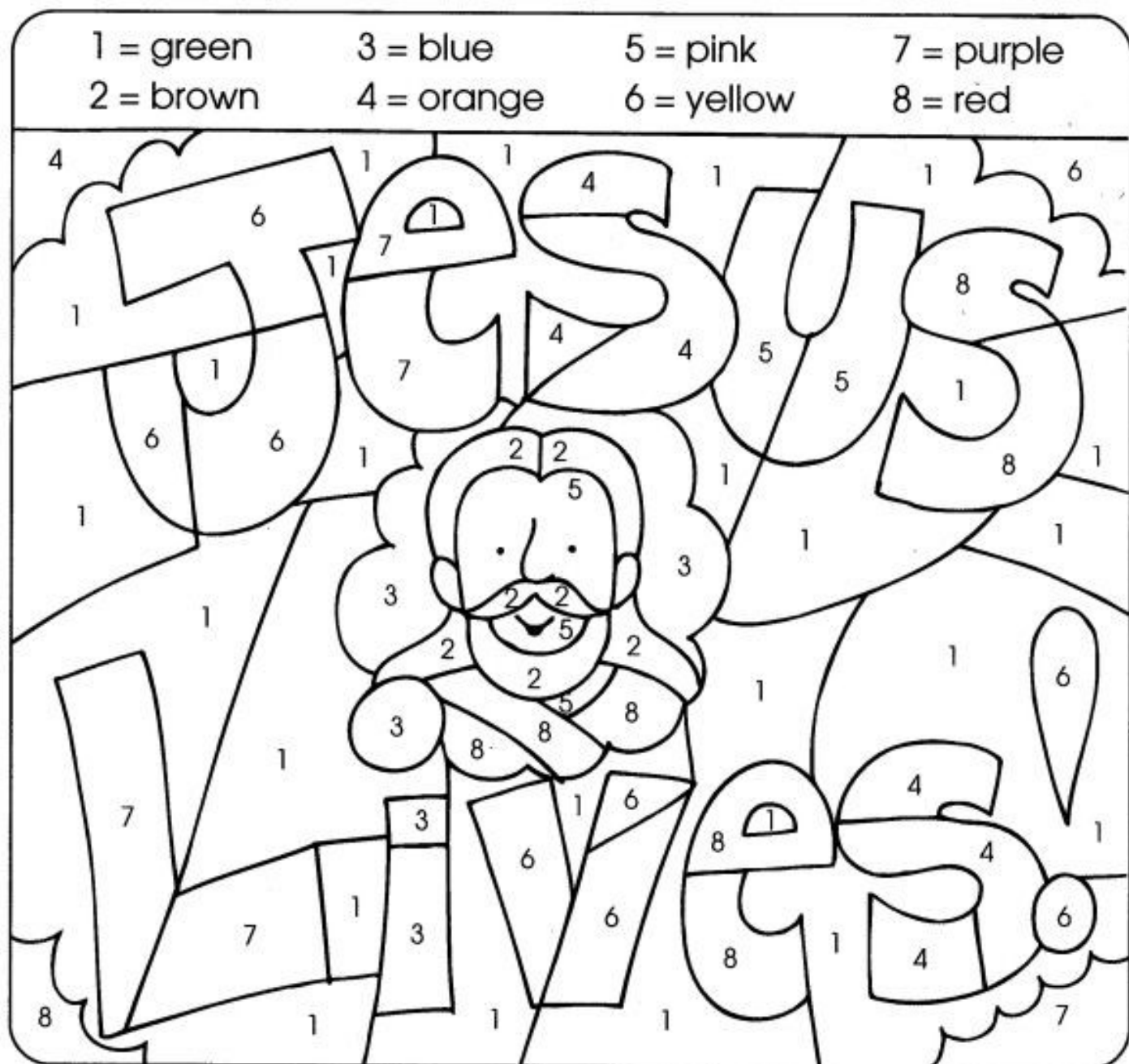
7 = purple

2 = brown

4 = orange

6 = yellow

8 = red



**HE HAS
RISEN!**



EASTER EVENTS



EASTER COFFEE MORNING

WITH PRAYER LABYRINTH FOR ALL THE FAMILY

SATURDAY 23RD MARCH 2024
10AM - 12NOON



ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH,
BLENHEIM ROAD, EASTLEIGH

REFRESHMENTS

PUPPETS

EASTER PRAYER LABYRINTH

KIDS CRAFT ZONE

STALLS



@STANDREWSCHURCHEASTLEIGH

Free entry





11:00 to 14:00hrs at the outerclose of Winchester Cathedral.

The Salvation Army will play and we have planned an interactive act of witness accessible for all ages.

The story of Jesus and his death will be shared in a dignified and yet accessible way at the variety of levels in which children, young people and adults approach the story.





Romsey**Methodist**Church



building a community for Christ

29th March - 9am Good Friday breakfast Sensory experience

31st March - Easter day celebration - 10.30am

April 3rd – Tune Tots and Craft session - 1.30 - 4pm

April 4th – Easter Walk and Story trail - 10am

April 5th – Easter Games For Juniors 10am(School Yr3 – Yr6)

April 10th – Story Tots 1.30- 2pm

14th April – Funday Sunday does Easter 10- 11.15am

To book your place please use the Facebook page or website:

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