

Dear Parent(s),

Happy Easter church family! As you celebrate Easter at home this weekend know that you are loved. We trust this lesson helps you teach your kids about the Resurrection of Jesus. This might be the most beautiful Easter yet, as together across our households we declare as families that Jesus is Lord!

Blessings to you and your household this Easter season!

Susan Wertheimer

## Easter Sunday

Here is a great song to help celebrate this season:

 [Story of the Cross by Rend Collective](#)

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### ELEMENTARY LESSON

**Bible Story: Resurrection of Jesus**

 [Matthew 28](#)

Watch the following video together (*we recommend previewing this episode, as some scenes may be too intense for young children*):

 [Superbook - Episode 11 - He is Risen!](#)

Option for younger elementary:

 [Story of Easter \(Saddleback Kids\)](#)

**Memory Verse**

*“He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.”*

 [Matthew 28:6](#)

**Big Ideas**

Help your child to see that:

- ▶ Jesus paid the price for our sins
- ▶ He is Risen



## Family Questions

1. What was the story about today?
2. What did Chris learn from this story?  
*Answer: Chris was arguing with his mom. When he returns from the Superbook adventure Chris apologizes for their argument, and their relationship is restored.*
3. Tell me all the wonderful things you'd like to do someday to help others or change the world. If we do enough good things, can we earn God's love? Read  **Romans 6:23**.
4. If you were a great ruler, how would you feel about people who disobey you and do bad things? Does God feel that way?  
Read  **Romans 5:8**.
5. Why do you think Jesus had to die?  
Read  **2 Corinthians 5:21**. Our sins separate us from God, but Jesus took our punishment so we can be connected with Him—here on earth now, and then in heaven forever!

## Prayer

Lord Jesus, I admit I've done things wrong, and I'm thankful You took my punishment by dying on the cross. Please forgive me and come into my life so I can live with You forever. Amen.

## THE SALVATION POEM

*by Matt and Sherry McPherson (Superbook)*

Jesus, You died upon a cross  
And rose again to save the lost  
Forgive me now of all my sin  
Come be my Savior, Lord, and Friend  
Change my life and make it new  
And help me, Lord, to live for You.



## PRESCHOOL LESSON

### Bible Story: The Empty Tomb

Read the Easter story to your child from their Bible.

Watch the following video together:  **Bible App for Kids—Happy Sunday**

### Memory Verse

*“Believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead.”*

### Romans 10:9

## Family Questions

1. Who was the Bible story about and what happened in the story?
2. What was the Preschool Big Idea?
  - ▶ Jesus was dead and now He is alive again.
  - ▶ God loves me and always wants to be my friend.
3. What did the picture passes mean?
  - ▶ Cross—Jesus died on the cross for our sins.
  - ▶ Eraser—Grace means that Jesus died on the cross to erase our sins.
  - ▶ Band aid—Jesus makes my heart all better again.

# Easter Family Activities

## FAMILY SOAKING TIME

The Bible tells us after Jesus was resurrected and when Mary came to the tomb, he said to her in John 20:17, “Jesus cautioned her, Mary, don’t hold on to me now, for I haven’t yet ascended to God, my Father. And he’s not only my Father and God, but now he’s your Father and your God! Now go to my brothers and tell them what I’ve told you, that I am ascending to my Father—and your Father, to my God—and your God.” (Passion Translation)

Last week we mentioned that Jesus spent time with His Father in the Garden of Gethsemane before he died on the cross for us. Now that He is resurrected he is first going to ascend to heaven to be with God, BEFORE he visits his disciples. Jesus’ life shows us how valuable it is for us to spend time with our Heavenly Father. Jesus put it before everything else. He spent time with his Father when going through hard times, and when going through joyful times.

God loves when we spend time with him. This Easter Sunday find time to spend time with God and listen to what he has to say to you. Write or draw what you hear God saying to you. Here is a good question to ask him: ***Jesus what do you want to tell me this Easter season?***

## FAMILY OBJECT LESSON

Items needed:  
cupcake (if you have one) and a TRICK candle.

Light the candle and talk about how Jesus came to be the light of the world. On Friday, it looked like the light had been blown out. Blow out the candle and wait in silence while the flame is gone. When the flame comes back, celebrate! Point out that the grave could not hold Jesus. He was resurrected. Nothing can ever snuff out Jesus because he is the light of the world.