

# Sunshine @Home



Children's Activities & Family Reflections  
to support Faith Formation  
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## Easter Centerpiece Scavenger Hunt!

This week our scavenger hunt will have a special purpose - to decorate your Easter table with meaningful items that you find ~ you may find them outside or some may be in your house! Each item will have a special "Holy Week" meaning! When you find them all, have fun and be creative thinking of ways to display them! And if you think of it, send me a picture!! (571-0766)

**A branch** ~ a week before his crucifixion, Jesus entered Jerusalem ~ the crowds pulled branches from trees and shouted "Hosanna!"

**A small cup** ~ "Then he (*Jesus*) took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them (*his disciples*) and said 'Drink this and remember me'"

**Coins** ~ Judas, one of Jesus' followers, betrayed Jesus and was paid for his betrayal

**Something prickly or with stickers** ~ Pontius Pilate placed a crown of thorns on the head of Jesus before he was crucified

**An interesting piece of wood** ~ Jesus was hung on a cross made of wood

**Something that is no longer alive** — While he was on the cross, Jesus asked God to forgive all of those that had hurt him and then said "It is Finished" and he died

**Something white such as fabric or paper....** Jesus was wrapped in white linen before being placed in the tomb

**A Stone** — Jesus was placed in the tomb and a large stone was rolled against the opening

**Something beautiful and alive** — Jesus did not stay in the tomb! The angel said "You are looking for Jesus, but he is not here! He has risen!"

After you arrange all of your items, tell the story of Easter to your family!

## Help spread the good news!

One of the last things that Jesus told his disciples was *Go into all the world and tell everyone about me!* While we are "sheltering in place" we can't go too far out into the world, but we can still share the good news about Jesus! Find some sidewalk chalk and write messages of hope for your neighbors to see! If you don't have a sidewalk, or if you don't have sidewalk chalk, make a poster to hang in your window!

Some of my favorite Bibles verses that spread the message of joy and hope and love are:

Trust in the Lord with all your heart... [Proverbs 3:5](#)

Rejoice in the Lord always, I will say it again; REJOICE!

[Philippians 4:4](#)

I trust in your unfailing love... [Psalms 13:5](#)

In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.

[Psalm 33:21](#)

Love never fails... [1 Corinthians 13](#)

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him...[Romans 15:13](#)

Can you think of other verses that you would like to share?

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How can YOU be a blessing today?



Here are some ideas: Write an encouraging letter to someone (there are lots of people in our church that would love to receive a letter!); Do an unexpected chore for your parents (clean your closet? Help cook dinner?); Do something special for your brother or sister (read them a book, draw them a picture, make their bed for them?! Write or draw a picture about how you have blessed someone else this week:

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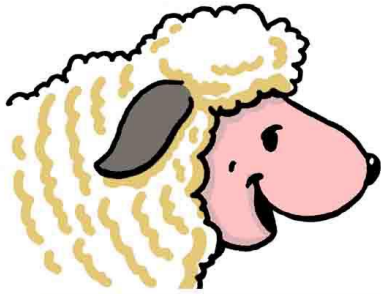
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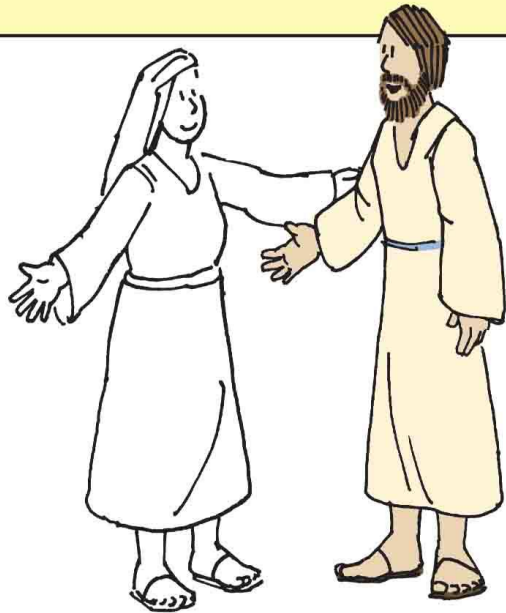




Mary Magdalene turned around and saw Jesus!  
What did Jesus say?

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