

Hello HAPPY EASTER!

Here are some activities you could do together as a family.

Do as many or as few as you like, in any order, and don't forget to join our Facebook group "SGSG Kids (Parents)" and share with us all what you have been doing!

Game

What's missing?

Gather together a collection of small objects – they can be anything, but they must all be different – try a coin, a piece of Lego, a small teddy, a spoon, a cup... you get the idea!

Put all the objects on a tray and show everyone then cover with a tea towel. Then take 1 item away without anyone seeing.

Show all the items again and guess what's missing.

Play as many times as you like.



At the end of the game, say that last time we saw that Jesus' body was put into the tomb, but when His friends went there three days later, it had gone!

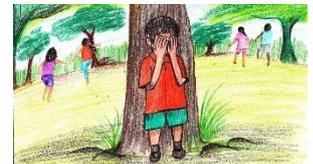
Hide and Seek

Nonimate 1 person to be the seeker and count to 30.

Everyone else hides around your home

After 30 seconds the seeker must go and find all those who are hiding.

At the end of the game, say that last time we saw that Jesus' body was put into the tomb, but when His friends went there three days later, it had gone and he wasn't playing hide and seek!



Story

Older Kids

Read the Story of Jesus resurrection from the Bible

Then watch the video of the Garden, the curtain and the cross

Read: John 20:1-18

Watch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHwr70bJlZ8>

Younger Kids

Read the story of Jesus resurrection from a childrens story telling Bible.

Then watch Gods Story: Easter, from Crossroads Kids

Read: Jesus Resurrection

Watch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cZ4gQniUVO8&t=192s>

Discussion

Younger Kids	Older Kids
<p>Imagine you are one of Jesus' friends. You saw Jesus die on the Friday. You hid & waited on the Saturday. On the Sunday you find an empty tomb, then you see Jesus – he is alive again! I wonder how you would be feeling?</p> <p>Why do you think we celebrate Easter?</p> <p>I wonder what your favourite part of the Easter story is?</p>	<p>Imagine you are one of Jesus' friends. You saw Jesus die on the Friday. You hid & waited on the Saturday. On the Sunday you find an empty tomb, then you see Jesus – he is alive again! I wonder how you would feeling? What you would be thinking?</p> <p>Why do you think Easter is such an important time for Christians & the church?</p> <p>How does Jesus dying & coming back to life affect our family & our lives today? What does it mean to us?</p> <p>I wonder what your favourite part of the Easter story is? Why is that?</p>

Memory Verse

Go and find your Bible and look up 1 Peter Chapter 3 verse 18

“When Christ died, he died for sin once and for all. But now he is alive, and lives only for God.”

Worship

	<p>We have a Spotify playlist that we'll be adding to regularly. Find us at SGSG Kids (Toddler praise and Kids worship)</p>
	<p>We also have a YouTube channel with lots of things for adults and kids too. Find us at SGSG Ashtead- Playlist- Kids worship songs</p>
	<p>It would be great to hear what you have been doing, so parents please join our Facebook group SGSG Kids (parents) This means we can join together, while we are doing Church at Home, by taking photos and videos.</p>

Prayer

You will need: a hollow chocolate Easter egg

Relate the closed egg to the tomb where Jesus' friends put his body after he had died.

Talk about what it feels like when we are left on our own, one of our friends goes away or someone we know dies. Ask God to help everyone who is sad, upset or lonely or who has lost someone that they love.

Now break the egg into pieces and reveal the hollow inside! When Jesus died it was not the end of the story- he rose to new life and was no longer inside the tomb. Something amazing had happened!



Talk about where in life you would like a chance to start again- maybe with someone they have had an argument with or moving on from something they did wrong. Silently tell God anything you are sorry about and ask Him to give you a new start. Thank God for chances to start again and ask Him to help people who are scared or worried or ashamed to have hope of a new start too.

Eat the chocolate! When Jesus rose to new life, it was amazing and we can be part of this amazing story too! God loves us so much and wants us to love Him. He wants good things for us because he loves us.

Taste the sweetness of the chocolate and talk about all of the people we love and why we love them. Thank God for those people and ask that he will bless them in the coming year.

Activities

Decorate the front of your home!

Use homemade bunting & balloons to decorate the front of your house for Easter Day.

Challenge of the week

- Write a letter, make a card or draw a picture and send it to someone in the church this who is lonely at home. Let's make people smile.
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Colouring in

