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Share Jesus' peace

Many congregations "pass the peace" during worship. People shake hands or give hugs and share a short greeting of peace. All of us share the peace of Jesus when we care for others.

Think of one way you share Jesus' peace for each of the letters in the word PEACE.

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PLAY WITH FRIENDS

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Thank you, Jesus, for your peace. Amen

This week

Watch for butterflies and hatching birds. Celebrate the new life of Easter!

Kids Celebrate

Second Sunday of Easter



gather

Welcome to worship. Today is the second Sunday of Easter. Did you know that the Easter season is much longer than one day? This is wonderful news!

Count the crosses, the eggs, and the butterflies. Add them all together and you'll know how many days are in the Easter season.



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Crosses		Butterflies		Eggs		Days of Easter

Jesus visits disciples

John 20:19-31

On Easter evening, ten of Jesus' disciples locked themselves in a house because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Suddenly, Jesus appeared in the middle of them and said, "Peace be with you." Then Jesus showed his friends the nail marks in his hands and side, and they believed that Jesus was alive!

What did the disciples faces look like? Draw them here.



Write the words that Jesus spoke under this picture.

One week later...

A week after Easter, all of the disciples (including Thomas) were locked inside the house again. Again Jesus appeared and said, "Peace be with you." Thomas put his fingers in the nail holes in Jesus' hand, and placed his hand in the wound in Jesus' side. Thomas finally believed that Jesus was alive, and he said, "My Lord and my God!"

What did Thomas's face look like? Draw it here.



Write the words that Thomas spoke under this picture.



Plant flowers that will attract butterflies.

Peace Be with You

Jesus shared peace with his disciples. We share peace with each other during worship. We can share with a handshake, a hug, or a simple greeting. You can also share the peace in a visual way by signing the words "Peace be with you." Try it during worship!



PEACE



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YOU



READER

Easter 2

- Today is the **2nd Sunday** in Easter.
- Easter is a time to **celebrate new life!**
- Jesus came to bring us **peace and love.**

How Many Days?

Did you know that Easter is not just one day? The season of Easter lasts for weeks! This is wonderful news!

Count the crosses, the eggs, and the butterflies. Add them all together and you'll know how many days are in the Easter season.



Oh no! Some words in the memory verses are jumbled! Listen closely to the Gospel reading. Then, move the underlined words to their correct locations.

Memory Verse



"Jesus seen and stood not them and said, 'Blessed be with Jesus.'" —John 20:19b

"If you believe the sins of any, they are forgiven them..." —John 20:23

"You said to him, 'Have you forgive because you have believed me? Came are they who have among seen and yet have come to peace.'" —John 20:29

"Jesus _____ and stood _____ them and said,

'_____ be with _____.'" —John 20:19b

"If you _____ the sins of _____, they _____

_____ forgiven them..." —John 20:23

"_____ said to him, 'Have you _____ because you have

_____ me? _____ are they who have _____

seen and yet have come to _____.'" —John 20:29

The Easter season lasts 50 days! That means Easter is celebrated until what day? Another name for this season is Eastertide. Eastertide falls in the center of the church's liturgical year. Easter follows Lent and prepares us for Pentecost.

Did You Know?

Jesus and Thomas

The peace Jesus gave the disciples changed their lives. Jesus sent them out to forgive sins and help others believe in him.

Unscramble the first letter of each sentence to find out what the disciples need for their work. Write the new word on the lines below.

All of the disciples saw Jesus.

Thomas couldn't believe them.

"**H**ere are my hands and side, Thomas. Believe, don't doubt," said Jesus.

"**F**orgive the sins of others," Jesus reminded the disciples.

"**I** send you, just as the Father sent me," Jesus told the disciples.

We also need this to tell others about Jesus!



Look It Up!

Jesus appeared to his disciples several times and in many places. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus meets Simon and another disciple walking on the road. They do not recognize him. Would you recognize Jesus if you saw him?

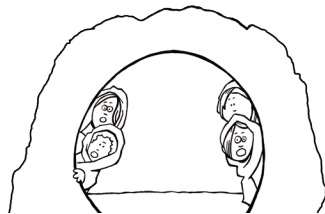
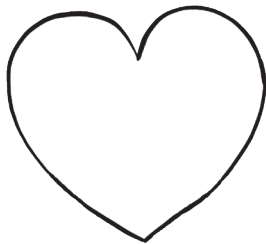
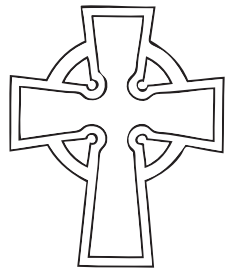
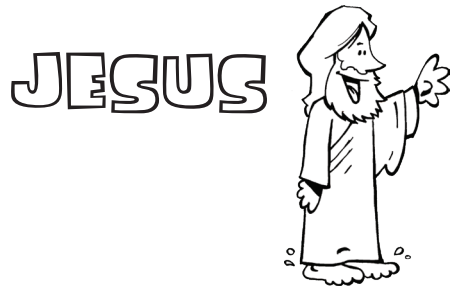
Find Jesus in the picture below. Then look up Luke 24:13-35 to find out what the disciples discovered at the end of the walk.

"The _____ has _____!" —Luke 24:34



Easter is a joyous celebration! What words do you hear in worship today?

Color in the words you hear, pray, or sing.

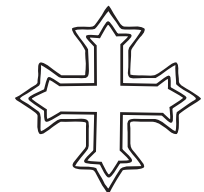
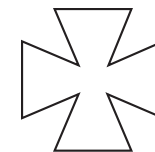
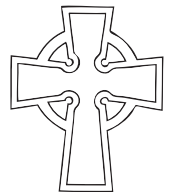
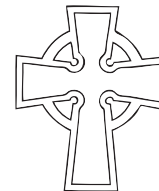
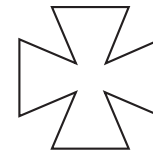
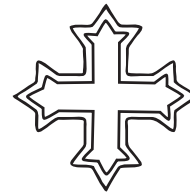


PRE-READER

Easter 2

- Today is the **2nd Sunday** in Easter.
- The color for the Easter season is **white**.
- White is a color of **joy and celebration**.
- Easter is a time to **celebrate** new life!

Crosses come in many different designs. Which crosses match? Find the matching pairs. Color each pair a different color.





“Do not doubt anymore. It’s time for you to believe,” said Jesus.

Jesus’ disciples met in a locked room. Suddenly Jesus stood with them! He said “Peace be with you.”

Connect the dots to find a church symbol for peace.

