

Lemont United Methodist Church Sunday School



Notes to Parents

Dear Parents,

March 2008

Easter sure is coming early this year...the earliest we have ever seen or will see in our lifetimes. Are you ready? Do you have the eggs, candy, and prizes that you need to make this a memorable holiday for your children? More importantly, do you have the perspective that you will need to make this more than just a "holiday" for your children? Will your children think of the Easter Bunny or Jesus at this time of the year? It's up to you. We can help children remember Jesus by keeping Him the focus of our celebrations. The church is sponsoring a few ways to do this: 1) For youth, attend the Youth Fellowship event on 3/9; Pastor Anne will be leading us through a guided meditation on "Forgiveness," 2) For older children and adults, attend the Last Supper Drama on 3/16; it is moving, 3) For all children, attend the Easter Egg Hunt on 3/23; this year's theme is the "Colors of Salvation;" make sure they read the explanation inside each egg. You can also tell them the Easter story in a way that they will understand. One yummy way is to make "Resurrection Rolls" and talk about Salvation as you do. This was a big hit in our house last year! Happy Easter!

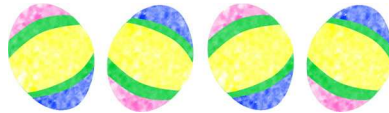
Yours in Christ,

Karin Peraino & Mary Rohrer

Prayer Connect

This month's theme is **Faith in Christ**; John 11:27; John 3:16

Dear Lord,
I pray that my children believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who gave his life that we may live.



Mark Your Calendars

3/09/08 – Variety Show 3:00pm

3/09/08 – Youth Fellowship 5:30-7:30 (for youth grades 6-HS)

3/16/08 – Last Supper Drama 7:00pm

3/23/08 – **Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00am (No Sunday School today)**

THANK YOU!

- ♥ We raised \$130 for the Open Pantry from the "Souper Bowl" Collection
- ♥ We raised \$150 for the LUMC Sunday School from the Bake Sale

Resurrection Rolls



Ingredients

1 can rfg. Crescent roll dough

8 large marshmallows

Melted butter

Cinnamon & sugar mixed together

Directions

1. Give each child one triangle shaped section of the crescent roll. Explain that this represents the tomb.
2. Have them take one marshmallow and explain that this represents the body of Christ.
3. Dip the marshmallow in butter and roll in cinnamon/sugar mixture. This represents the oils and spices the body was anointed with at burial.
4. Lay the marshmallow on the dough and carefully wrap it up to "bury Jesus' body in the tomb." Make sure that all seams are pinched together well. (Otherwise the marshmallow will "ooze" out of the seams.)
5. Bake according to package directions. Cool.
6. Break open the tomb. The body of Christ is no longer there!
7. Enjoy the rolls. Celebrate Jesus' resurrection and God's Love!

FaithWeaver

FaithWeaver Bible Curriculum – Weaving Faith Through Life!

Using FaithWeaver, teachers teach as Jesus taught, with a variety of learning experiences and interactive discussions. All grade levels cover the same lesson, which can make follow-up discussions easy and interesting. Take home pages are provided to keep you informed and allow you to continue the learning at home. Lessons move chronologically through the bible—Old Testament in the Fall, New Testament in the Winter/Spring.

Although we hope to see every student each week, we realize that schedules sometimes do not allow that. Below is a calendar of upcoming lessons so that you may review them at home with your child if he/she should have to miss.

Lesson & Date	Bible Story	<i>Scripture</i>	Key Verse	Bible Point Ages 3-5	Bible Point Grades 1-9
Spring 2008 (mostly New Testament)					
1) 3/02	Jesus Tells about the Good Samaritan	Luke 10:25-37	Ephesians 4:32	<i>Jesus' Ministry Continues</i>	<i>Jesus says to love others as ourselves</i>
3) 3/09	Crowds Welcome Jesus to Jerusalem	Psalm 118:19-29; Matthew 21:1-11	Revelation 5:12b	<i>Jesus Fulfills His Mission</i>	<i>Jesus, the Lamb of God, deserves our praise</i>
4) 3/16	Jesus Rises from the Dead	Matthew 27:27-56; 28:1-10	Galatians 2:20	<i>Jesus Fulfills His Mission</i>	<i>Jesus is Alive</i>
5) 3/30	Peter Explains Belief in Jesus	1 Peter 1:3-9	Romans 5:3-4	<i>Jesus Fulfills His Mission</i>	<i>Jesus gives us Hope</i>
6) 4/06	Jesus Returns to Heaven	Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:1-11	Matthew 28:19-20	<i>The Church is Born</i>	<i>God wants us to tell the world about Jesus</i>
7) 4/13	Christians Care for One Another	Psalm 23; Acts 2:42-47	Hebrews 10:24-25	<i>The Church is Born</i>	<i>God wants us to treat each other with loving care</i>
8) 4/20	Stephen Forgives His Accusers as they Stone Him	Acts 6:8-7:60	1 Peter 3:15	<i>The Church is Born</i>	<i>We share our faith in Jesus with words & actions</i>
10) 4/27	Paul Explains Christians' Relationship w/ Christ	Ephesians 1:15-2:10	Ephesians 2:8-9	<i>Paul Spreads the Good News</i>	<i>God's power saves us by His grace</i>