



Lemont United Methodist Church
Sunday School



Notes to Parents

Dear Parents,

April 2011



The most important day in the Christian faith is Easter. As we celebrate the fact that Christ is Risen, how comforting it is to know that this was all done for us. Jesus has gone ahead to His Father's house to prepare a place for us (John 14:2b). To help your children understand the story of Jesus' Resurrection, we've included twelve simple pictures on the second page of this newsletter. Walk them through the story using these pictures and the scriptures below. Or follow our lead, and put the pictures in a dozen plastic Easter eggs for your child to open in sequence. Older children might even enjoy using these props to tell you the story!

Resurrection Story

1. **Palm Branch:** People greeted Jesus with palm branches as he entered Jerusalem. *Matthew 21:6-11*
2. **Silver Coins:** Judas betrayed Jesus for 30 silver coins *Matthew 26:14-16*
3. **Bread:** Jesus ate the Last Supper with his disciples *Matthew 26:26-28*
4. **Praying:** Jesus prayed in the garden of Gethsemane *Matthew 26:39*
5. **Whip:** After Jesus was arrested, he was whipped *Matthew 27:26*
6. **Crown of Thorns:** The soldiers mocked Jesus, making him wear a crown of thorns *Matthew 27:29-30*
7. **Nails:** Jesus was nailed to a cross & left to die *Matthew 27:35*
8. **Dice:** The soldiers divided up his clothes *Matthew 27:35*
9. **Cloth:** When Jesus died, his body was wrapped in cloth and placed in a tomb *Matthew 27:57-59*
10. **Spear:** The tomb was sealed and guarded by soldiers *Matthew 27:62-66*
11. **Stone:** The huge stone was rolled away from the entrance and the tomb was found empty! *Matthew 28:2*
12. **Risen Christ:** An angel told the visiting women that Jesus had risen! *Matthew 28:5-7*

Prayer Connect

This month's theme is **Sharing Faith** (Philemon 1:6)



Dear Lord,
I pray that my children are active in sharing their faith, so that they will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.

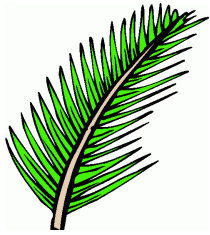
Amen

Be sure to have your children join us in the Sanctuary at 10am on Easter Sunday to participate in this year's Easter egg hunt. This year's theme is "More of Jesus' Miracles." However you choose to celebrate, enjoy this very special day. Happy Easter & Happy Parenting!

Yours in Christ,
Karín Peraíno & Mary Rohrer

Mark Your Calendar

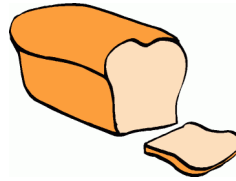
- ✓ 4/24/11— Easter Sunday, No Sunday School, **Easter Egg Hunt at 10am**
- ✓ 5/01/11 & 5/08/11—VBS Signup



1. Palm Branch



2. Silver Coins



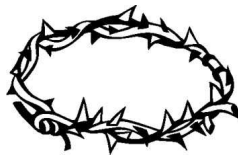
3. Bread



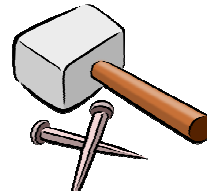
4. Praying



5. Whip



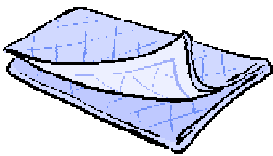
6. Crown of Thorns



7. Nails



8. Dice



9. Cloth



10. Spear



11. Stone



12. Risen Christ

FaithWeaver Bible Curriculum – Weaving Faith Through Life!

Lesson & Date	Bible Story	<i>Scripture</i>	Key Verse	Bible Point Ages 3-5	Bible Point Grades 1-5
SPRING 2008 (New Testament)					
6) 4/03	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) 4/10	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 others with loving care</i>
8) 4/17	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) 5/01	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>
11) 5/08	Paul Teaches About Spiritual Gifts	1 Corin. 12:4-27	Ephesians 2:10	<i>Paul Spreads the Good News</i>	<i>God gives people different gifts for serving him</i>
12) 5/15	Paul Comforts Others in a Storm	Acts 27:1-44	Titus 2:7a	<i>Paul Spreads the Good News</i>	<i>Our faith in God can encourage others</i>
13) 5/22	Paul Describes Genuine Love	1 Corin. 13:1-13	1 Corinthians 13:4-5	<i>Paul Spreads the Good News</i>	<i>God teaches us how to love</i>