

Ministry @Home



These resources are to help equip & enable worship together as "family". They are intentionally intergenerational to allow space, conversation, activity & response together as the family of God. We encourage all ages to be participative & open, being responsive to God and each other.

Gather.....

- As you gather find a place that is comfortable and have the resources ready for the activities, prayer or response times ready.
- Choose 3 members to light the 3 candles (engage all ages)

Opening words of praise with lighting of 3 candles -

I will light a light
in the name of the Maker,
who lit the world
and gave everything life.

I will light a light
in the name of the Son,
who saved the world
and stretched out his hand to me.

I will light a light
in the name of the Spirit,
who is present everywhere in the
world
and gives me strength.

Together:

**We will light three lights
for the trinity of love:
God above us,
God beside us,
God beneath us;
The beginning,
The end
and the Everlasting one.**

Welcome.....

Song: Great are you Lord – Casting Crowns

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZZqV6i98SkA>
(can be sung or listened to)

Reflection time:

Can you think of a time you tried to understand something and it was just too difficult? This could be a time at school, at work, on-line or a more personal situation – share it together.

Jesus' disciples had just such a situation. This week we are looking at a time just before Jesus' death and He is sharing with His friends what the future will be like.

Read the bible passage: John 14:15-21.

Jesus explains that when He leaves they will not be alone – Jesus will make sure they have help and He promises to send the Holy Spirit to help them. The Holy Spirit would help them remember all that Jesus had told them and they would be able to know the Holy Spirit was with them because the Holy Spirit would be in them. And most amazingly, because the Holy Spirit would be in them, Jesus would be in them too. They didn't know how hard life was going to be but they knew they could trust Jesus and His promises. And Jesus promises us that helper too.



Interactive Learning.....

Listen to this song Be Bold, Be Strong – and join in.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zRvCUz6KF B4>.

Family Fun

Play a game of hide and seek together. One person must count while everybody else hides – then they must search for everybody who has hidden. Take it in turns to be the seeker.

Think about how the disciples might have felt when Jesus was not with them anymore and they felt alone. Then remember that Jesus promised to never leave them, and He will never you alone.

Whilst creating chat about the following questions & Share stories.....

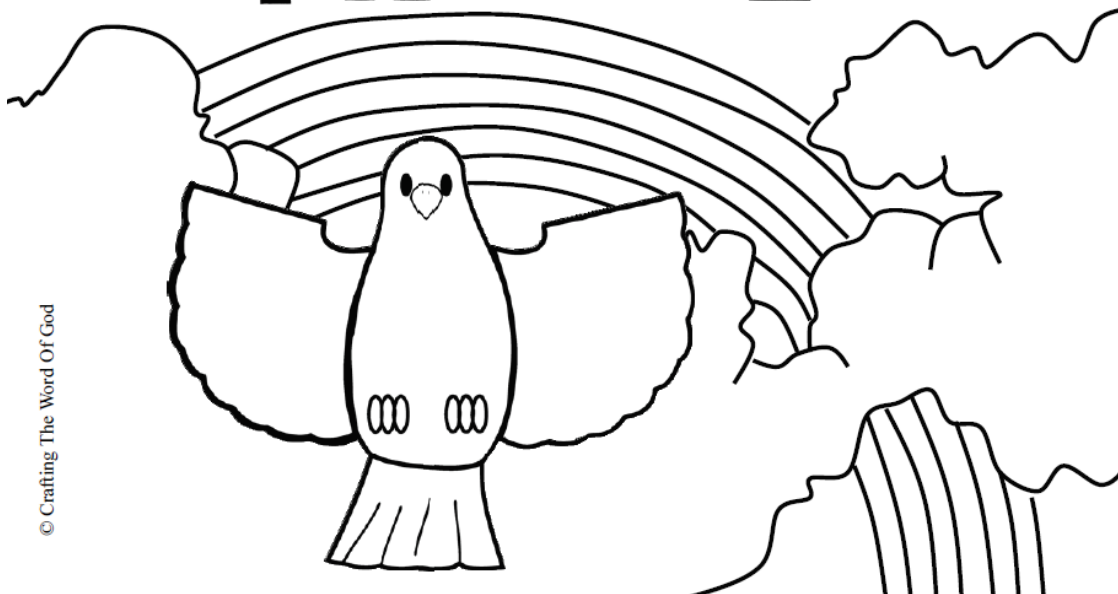
- When have you felt most alone?
- What helps you to feel close to Jesus?
- How have you helped someone else feel less alone?



We all need to feel brave when life gets tough. Think of a friend or family member who needs encouraging. Write them a note telling them they are never alone. Post it or safely drop it through their door. Make it bright and cheerful!

Take time this week to pray for them.

GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES



Reflection & Prayer Time.....

Song: Introduce a prayer time by listening to

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vTritd7y_hg

Encourage members to read silently or aloud their prayers. Other prayers can be said at this time, concluding with the Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**



**Song: Boldly I Approach the Throne
(can be sung/read aloud or listened to)**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4QDnVD7gu5Y>

Celebration....

**If any of your members
celebrate a birthday within the
next week – sing**

Happy birthday to you
To Jesus be true
May God's richest blessings
Be showered on you.



Closing.....

The Grace (with "Messy" actions)

**May the grace of our Lord Jesus
Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy
Spirit
be with us all,
now and evermore. Amen.**

Closing Responses.....

**Song: 10,000 Reasons
(can be sung/read aloud or listened to)**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DXDGE_IRIOE

From where we are
to where you need us.

Jesus, now lead on!

From the security of what we know
to the adventure of what you reveal.

Jesus, now lead on!

To make this world
look more like your kingdom,

Jesus, now lead on!

**Ask different members to blow out the
candles.....until you meet again**

Extra Ideas

- Pick your favourite song from the last few weeks and sing it again.
- Count the rainbows as you take your daily walk.
- Make a paracord key ring as you pray a prayer of thanks, a prayer for saying sorry and a pray for someone you know.

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/571886852659354554/>

