

St J of J 'At Home'

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St John of Jerusalem Junior Church at Home

Trinity Sunday - 7th June 2020

Time to Gather

Glorious God,
present in creation;
Jesus Christ,
risen and ascended;
Holy Spirit,
inspiring and transforming;
be present among us,
as we worship you today.
Amen.

Time to say sorry

Leader: Let us think about the times we forgot we are followers of Jesus. The times we were unkind or hurtful, the times we did not care for the world or other people. When we say sorry to God, God promises to forgive us.

Leader: We are sorry for the times when we lacked love. Lord have mercy.

Everyone: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: We are sorry for the times when our words and actions were hurtful. Christ have mercy.

Everyone: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: We are sorry when we failed to care for your world. Lord, have mercy.

Everyone: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Everyone: Amen.

Time to read our Bible story

Matthew 28.16-20 Jesus sends his disciples out to live for him and help others to live for him too.

Let's draw the story

Give the group paper and pens (flipchart paper and marker pens would be ideal) and suggest everyone helps you to draw the story as you tell it. Encourage the group to use words and pictures. Think about: who was present, where they went, how they felt, what was said and what happened next. See if the group can write and draw the 'next chapter'.



Jesus' eleven disciples were on their way to Galilee.* Jesus had told them to meet him on a mountain there and that is where they were heading.* As they approached the mountain, they saw the risen Jesus standing there and many of them worshipped him. But others doubted - they weren't sure it was Jesus.*

Jesus came to them all and said, 'I have been given all power in heaven and on earth.* So go from here. Tell people about God. Make disciples all over the world.* Baptize people in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.* Share with them all that I have taught you and help them to obey my

commandments. And remember, I will always be with you, until the very end of time.'*

Glossary

commandments: a set of rules to follow in life, given by God.

Time to think and talk about the story

Please feel free to choose as much or as little as it suits you from the suggestions below to think together about the story.

Wonder together: I wonder what was your favourite part of that passage/story? I wonder which part surprised or puzzled you? I wonder what it tells us about God? I wonder how it helps us to live as Christians?

Draw or sculpt: Use paper and pens, modelling dough, Lego or pipe cleaners to respond to the passage or story. Share with each other something about your drawing or model.

Bring something to the circle: Look around where you have gathered and find something to bring to the circle that helps you think more about what you have heard. Share why you chose that object.

Time to pray

Mind map prayers

Place a large sheet of paper in the middle of the room. Create a mind-map as a group, using the following questions:

- What do you want to thank God for?
- What would each of you like prayer for?
- What people you know do you want to pray for?
- What do you want to pray for our city, our country and our world?

Pray together as works best for you as a family. If you like, you could keep the mind map to use it for praying together throughout the coming week.

Time to sing

Below you can find the YouTube link to this week's song:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v5EC22vjUdg>

Our God is a great big God

Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
Our God is a great big God
And He holds us in His hand 2x

He's higher than a skyscraper
He's deeper than a submarine
He's wider than the universe
And beyond my wildest dreams
He's known me and He's loved me
Since before the world began
How wonderful to be a part of
God's amazing plan

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A prayer to end with

Holy God,
who is three in one,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be with us this week,
guide us and help us with
what each day will bring.
Amen.

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