

Sunday School & Choir Sunday School May 2021 Newsletter



May 2nd - Luke 24: 13-35

The Surprise Guest

Jesus appears to a few of his disciples as they are traveling to Emmaus, but they do not recognize him at first. It's not until later, when they invite Jesus to share a meal with them and he blesses the food that they recognize him.

Big Idea: We may be surprised in the ways Jesus shows up in our lives!

May 9th - Luke 24: 36-42

Surprised by Faith

Jesus appears to his disciples. They are shocked, and in disbelief. Jesus allows them to see that he is real and human - and not a ghost!

Big Idea: Jesus reassures us when we are afraid or in disbelief.

May 16th - Luke 24: 43-53

The Surprise Mission

Jesus explains to his disciples that he came to live and die for our sins. He reminds his disciples that they are witnesses, and calls them to share their experiences with others.

Big Idea: We can share our faith with others and are called to do so!

May 23rd - Acts 2: 1-15, 22-24, 33

The Surprise Gift

On Pentecost, Jesus gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit gives us the power to use our unique (and needed) personalities to understand one another and share the good news of God's love here on earth.

Big Idea: We've been given the gift of the Holy Spirit to share God's love with one another.

Word of the Month

JOY: Feelings of great happiness and delight!

May 30th - John 20: 19-31

The Surprised Disciple

Thomas was not with the other disciples when Jesus appeared to them. He wanted to see Jesus for himself. Later, Jesus appeared to Thomas.

Big idea: There may be times in our life when we relate to Thomas, and have questions about our faith.

Check out the videos from our Choir Sunday School Directors!

PreK - 1st Grade -- Mrs. Roess



4th - 6th Grade -- Mr. Warner



2nd & 3rd Grade -- Mrs. Widen



Sunday School Lesson & Activities

May 9th

Surprised by Faith - Luke 24: 36-42

Big idea: Jesus reassures us when we are afraid or in disbelief.

Craft

- 3yr - 2nd - [Hand Print Cross Craft](#)
- 3rd - 6th - [Stained Glass Cross Craft](#)
- [Coloring Sheet](#)

Family Activity - [Mustard Seed Faith](#)

Prayer of the Day:

Dear God, When we are most afraid, turn us to Jesus who always offers peace. In Jesus' name, Amen

May 2nd

The Surprise Guest - Luke 24: 13-35

Big idea: We may be surprised in the way Jesus shows up in our lives.

Craft

- 3yr - 2nd - [Road to Emmaus Craft](#)
- 3rd - 6th - [Road to Emmaus Craft](#)
- [Coloring Sheet](#)

Family Activity - [Trusting God Activity](#)

Prayer of the Day:

Dear God, Open our eyes and our hearts to see Jesus in all that we do. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

May 16th

The Surprise Mission - Luke 24: 43-53

Big idea: We can share our faith with others and are called to do so!

Craft

- 3yr - 2nd - [Ascension Craft](#)
- 3rd - 6th - [Jesus Ascension Puzzle](#)
- [Coloring Sheet](#)

Family Activity - [Talking Points for Families](#)

Prayer of the Day:

Dear God, As we grow as your disciples, help us to be witnesses of Jesus' promises whenever we go. In Jesus' name, Amen.

May 30th

The Surprised Disciple - John 20: 19-31

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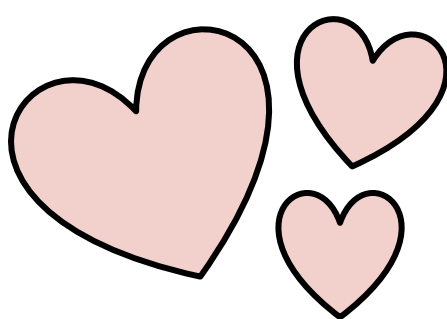
Craft

- 3yr - 2nd - [Doubting Thomas Hands Craft](#)
- 3rd - 6th - [Doubting Thomas Craft](#)
- [Coloring Sheet](#)

Family Activity - [The Story of Doubting Thomas](#)

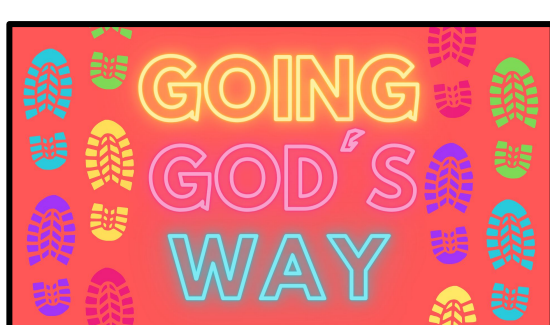
Prayer of the Day:

Dear God, May your Holy Spirit help us to share your peace and forgiveness with others, just as Jesus shares with us. In Jesus' name, Amen.



Children and Family Ministry Announcements

Invite a friend or two and sign up for a session of Day Camp or Vacation Bible School or a week at Cathedral of the Pines! We'd love to see you this summer and have lots of fun activities planned!



Have you watched [Going God's Way](#) yet? Click the link to check out our new videos for 4th- 6th graders designed to inspire you throughout the week!