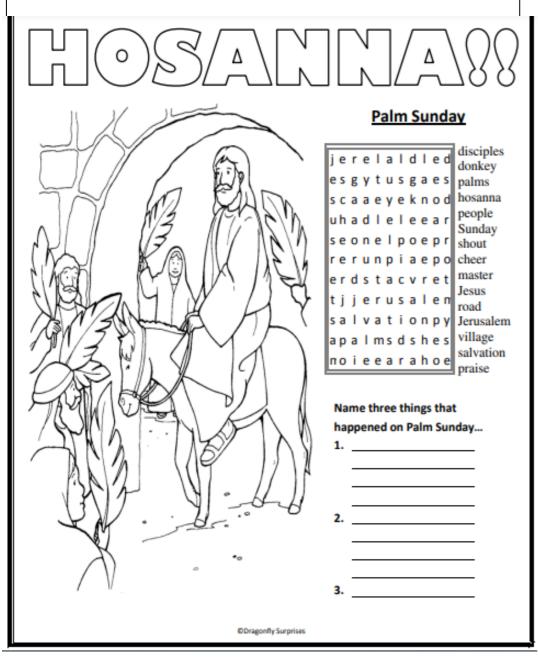
Sunday 28th March 2021
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Young people's activities
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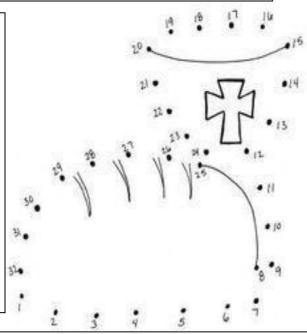


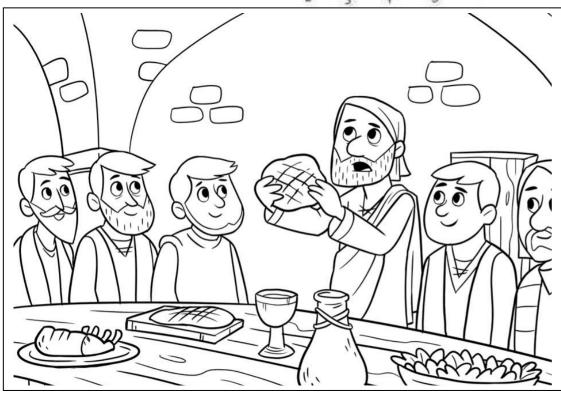
Jesus and his disciples were coming closer to Jerusalem. They came to the town of Bethany near the Mount of Olives. Jesus said to two of his disciples, "Go to the town. When you enter it, you will find a colt tied which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it to me. If anyone asks you why you are doing this tell them, 'The Master needs the colt. He will send it back soon." The disciples went into the town. They found a colt (donkey) tied in the street near the door of a house. Some people were standing there and asked "What are you doing? Why are you untying that colt?" The disciples answered the way Jesus has told them to and the people let them take the colt. The disciples brought the colt to Jesus. They put their coats on the colt, and Jesus sat on it. Many people spread their coats on the road. Others cut branches in the fields and spread the branches on the road. Some of the people were walking ahead of Jesus. Others were following him. All of them were shouting "Praise God! God bless the One who comes in the name of the Lord! God bless the kingdom of our father David! That kingdom is coming! Praise to God in heaven!" Mark ch11 v1-10

The Last Supper

Maunday

The Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread were only two days away and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were scheming to arrest Jesus secretly and kill him. Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Jesus.





On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread Jesus spoke to two of his disciples "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. While they were at the table eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me." One by one the disciples said "Surely you don't mean me?" "It is one of you," he replied, "The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him."

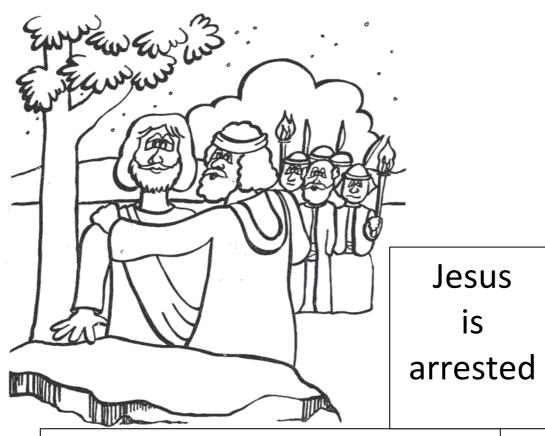
is my body."
Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it. "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. This was the very First Holy Communion
When they had sung a hymn, they went out to

the Mount of Olives.

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and

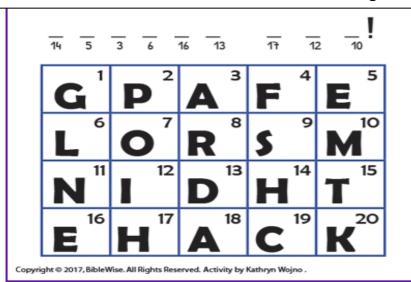
when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave

it to his disciples, saying, "Take it and eat; this



One of the disciples cut off the ear of a soldier. What did Jesus do?

Use the number below each line to find the missing



Jesus and his disciples went to a garden Gethsemane. It was late in the evening. Jesus spoke to some of the disciples "Sit here while I pray." Then with Peter, James and John he walked bit further and told them, "My heart feels heavy. Please stay here and keep watch." Then Jesus walked a bit further by himself. He knelt down and began to talk to God. "My Father, I know that I am about to go through some horrible things; I wish I wouldn't have to but it doesn't matter what I want. I will do whatever you want." He went back to the disciples to find that they had fallen asleep. Jesus woke them, "Couldn't you have stayed awake for me for just a little while? Two more times Jesus went off to pray the same prayer as before, and when he was finished He came back to his friends. The third time Jesus woke them saying, "Are you sleeping again?" While He was still speaking a large crowd of people carrying swords and clubs came towards him. Judas walked right up to Jesus and gave Him a kiss on the cheek. This was a sign to the chief priests that this was Jesus and that He was the man that they wanted to arrest.

Jesus let them take Him. One of Jesus' disciples didn't like what was happening. He took out his sword and cut off the ear of a soldier. Jesus spoke firmly, "Enough!" He reached up to the man whose ear had been hurt and healed it instantly.

Jesus spoke to all those around him. "I know this needs to happen to finish what it says in the Bible."

The disciples did not know what to do. They were afraid that they might be arrested for being with Jesus; they quickly retreated, leaving Jesus to be arrested alone.

GOOD FRIDAY

Very early in the morning, the soldiers brought Jesus to Pilate, the governor at the time. Pilate asked Jesus, "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus replied, "Yes, I am." Pilate listened to the complaints of the people that brought Jesus but he couldn't find any reason to punish Him. Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers, and the people. He said to them, "I have talked to Jesus and I find no reason to kill Him." All the people shouted, "Release Barabbas instead!" Barabbas had been in jail because he had killed someone. The people wanted him to be free and Jesus to be punished. The chief priests went around telling people lies about Jesus so that they would be afraid of Him and want to kill Him. Pilate tried again "What has Jesus done wrong? He doesn't deserve to die!" But the people just shouted louder to crucify Jesus. Pilate wanted to please the crowd, he freed Barabbas and sent Jesus to die. The soldiers led Jesus into the palace and made Him put on an old royal robe and they twisted together a crown of thorns to put on His head. Then they made fun of Him and said, "Hail, king of the Jews."

The soldiers led Jesus toward a hill called Golgotha. They made Him carry the cross but because Jesus couldn't carry it the whole way, He fell down. A man named Simon happened to be near Jesus when He fell and the soldiers grabbed him and made him carry the cross the rest of the way.

When they reached the top of the hill, they nailed Jesus to the cross. There were three crosses: Jesus was in the middle, there was a criminal on His right and on His left. Pilate made a sign to be put on the cross. It read what He was being punished for: Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews.

The soldiers watched Jesus and made fun of Him; they even divided up His clothes. Some people walked by and shouted, "You saved others, why can't you save Yourself?" Jesus could have saved himself but he chose not to. He wanted to save us instead.

Later, Jesus could not handle the pain any longer and He said, "It is finished." That is when Jesus bowed His head and went to Heaven.

Suddenly, a huge curtain that hung at the temple was torn in half, from top to bottom. A man that had wanted Jesus to die saw all of this and he said, "Surely this man was the Son of God!" He realized he had been wrong about Jesus.

This seems like a really sad story but it's one of the greatest stories of all! Jesus died knowing that we would do things wrong (that is what a sin is) Jesus died for **everybody's** sins. Now when we ask God to forgive us and we are truly sorry for what we've done, God forgives us.

So, next time you do something you're not supposed to, remember to say sorry to Jesus and remember what He did for you!

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

Stations of the Cross







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4th Station: Jesus meets His mother.



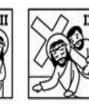
5th Station: Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus carry His cross



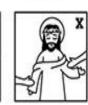




7th Station: 8th Station:
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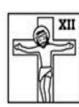
9th Station: Jesus falls a third time.



10th Station: Jesus is stripped of His clothes.



If Station: Jesus is crucified.



12th Station: Jesus dies on the cross.



13th Station: The body of Jesus is taken down from the cross.



I4th Station: Jesus is laid in the tomb.

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