



Friends of Jesus and Mary

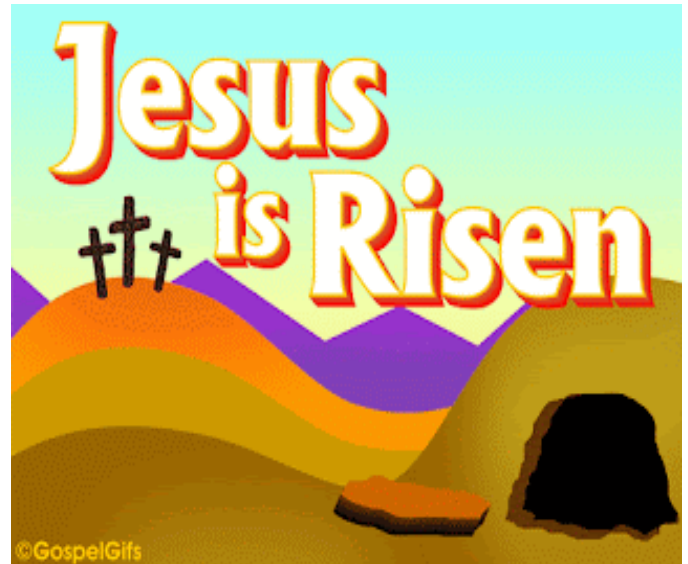
Cycle A – I Sunday of Easter – The Resurrection

Acts 34^a, 37-43; Psalm 117; Colossians 3, 1-4; John 20, 1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, “They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they put him.” So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

Reflection

Jesus resurrected because death cannot have the last word. **Who introduced death into the world and how?** (Adam and Eve disobeyed God by eating of the forbidden tree causing them to leave Paradise where they had lived in eternal communion with God; now they would die.) **How did Jesus destroy death and open the gates of Paradise again?** (Jesus obeyed God onto death on the Cross, thus opening the gates of Heaven.) **Who discovered the Resurrection first?** (Mary of Magdala was the first to receive the good news. Everyone criticized and mistreated her because of her sins before she converted. She was grateful for Jesus’ mercy and loved Him very much; she went to His tomb despite the danger of being persecuted. Jesus came to save sinners like Mary of Magdala.) **How would you feel if you went to a loved one’s tomb and found it empty? Do you search for Jesus every day even if you’re friends do not? What does the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus mean to you? Share.**



Activity

Complete the word search on the next page. On the following page, complete the craft and tell the Resurrection story. On the last page, make Easter cards to give out.

Prayer


Jesus, thank you for what you did for me! Thank you for loving me so much. Help me to love you more each day. Help me not to sin and to be sorry for my sins. Help me to forgive always. Amen.

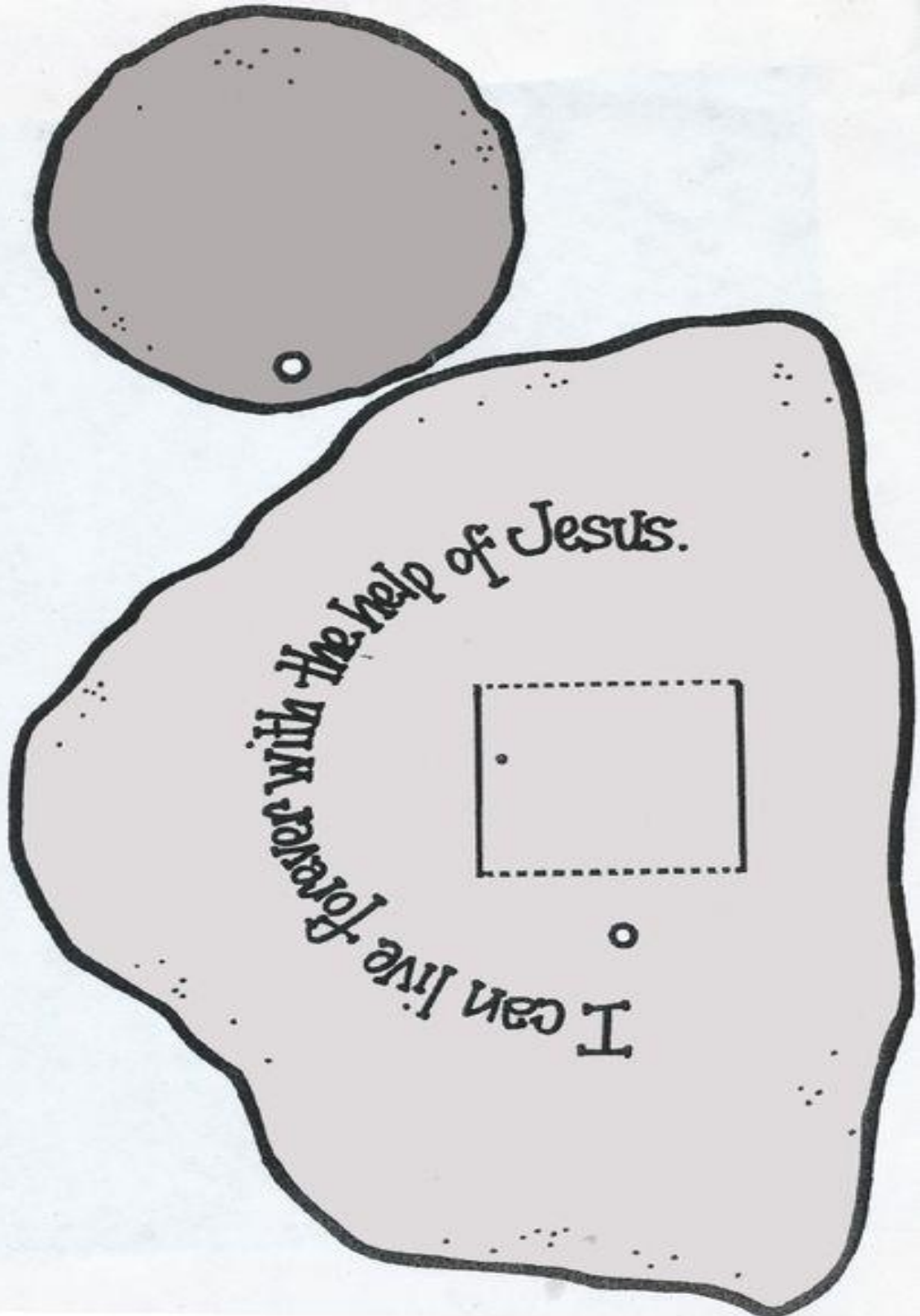
Song: Jesus is Alive, Lifetree Kids, <https://youtu.be/jpZJ-39IT1k>

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Cut objects; attach the boulder by opening 2 holes in the circles and inserting a pipe cleaner (1') and make a knot on each both sides. Cut along the 2 dotted lines. Enter the strip of pictures from the back to the front, then from the front to the back. Slide and tell story.

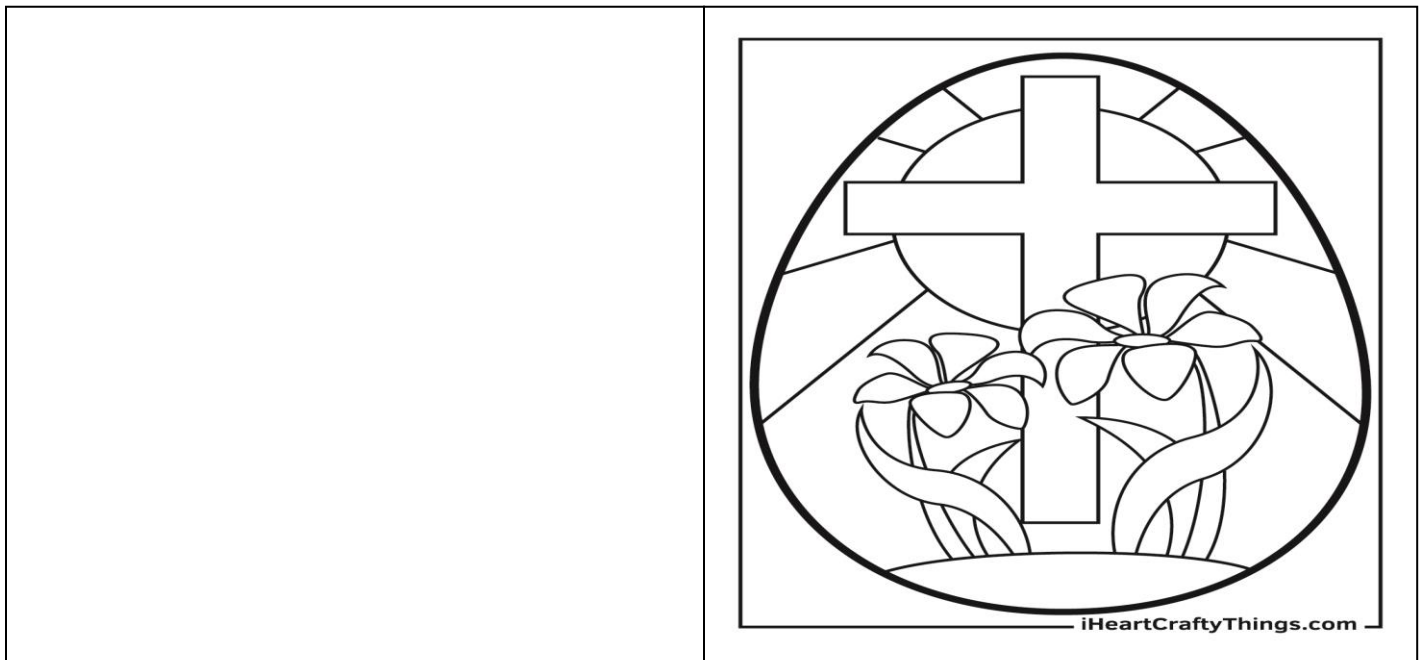
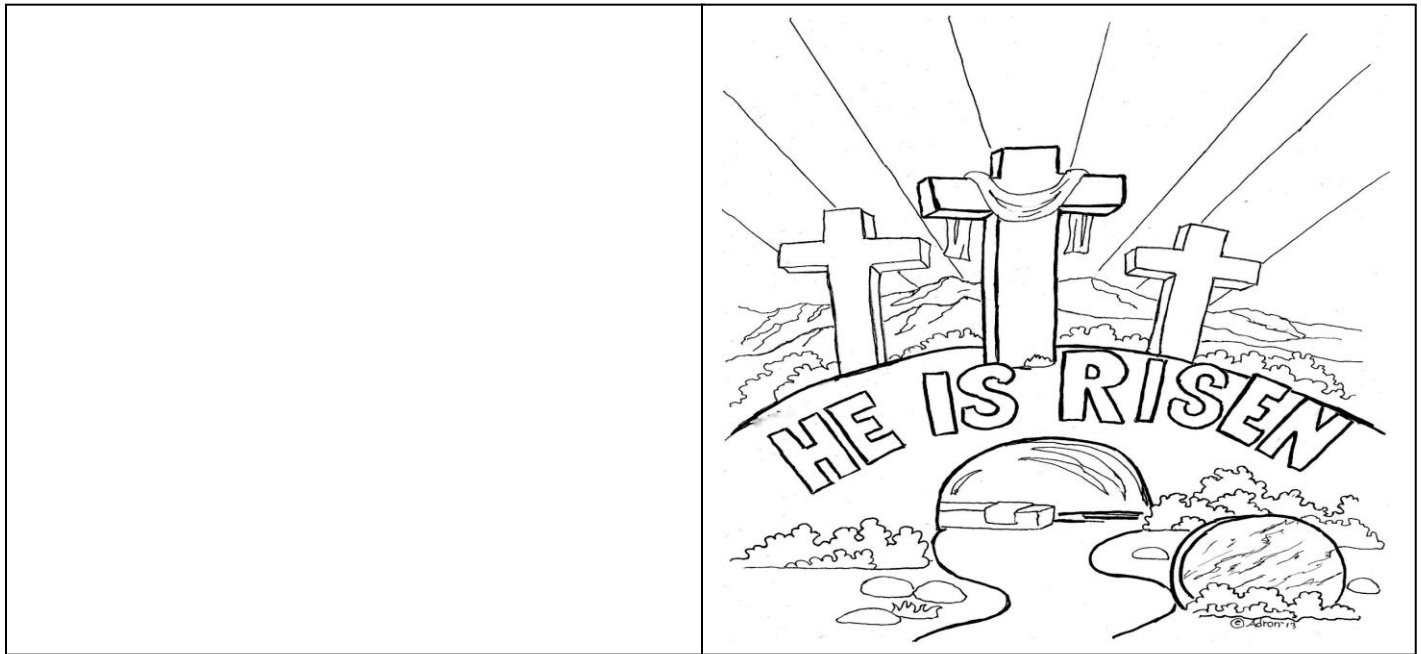


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