

Sunday School at Home

Sunday School at Home Resources for the season of Lent and Easter Sunday (2021) prepared collaboratively by Immanuel United Church in Winnipeg and Crossroads United Pastoral Charge (St. Andrew's United Church in Elm Creek and Carman United Church)

Note: This resource packet is designed for children ages 2 – young teen. The first page, *Come as a Child*, is designed with young children in mind. The rest of the pages are intended for school aged children. We encourage the grown-ups to read through the resources and decide which are best suited for the children in your household.

Come as a little child ... a learning resource for young children

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Choose a place and a time where you and your child/children can sit together quietly to listen to the story and then talk about it

OR

Find whatever time is possible, expect distractions, and invite your child/children to join you in taking three deep breaths before you start.

Story: Genesis 1:1 – 2:4

[see the story from the Spark Story Bible below]



Reflection and Action: *(Grown-ups, please read through the questions and choose the ones that you think are most suitable for your child/ren.)*

This is a story about how God created the world and all the beautiful things in it. God loved the world and all that was in it - the ocean, land, bugs, plants, stars, animals, people, etc. Ask your child about something that they love.

Read the story again and have you and your family act out one thing that God created each day. Bring a flashlight and a blanket if you want to act out darkness and light. A grown-up could act the part of God and make the sound effects and the child/ren could act out the parts that God is creating (stars, water, plants, sea animals and birds, animals on land and people).

Walk outside. What do you see and hear? Think about the story and what God created - can you find some of the things from the story (Water running as snow melts, wind blowing the tree, birds chirping, plants starting to grow out of the ground, rabbit, squirrels, clouds in the sky, etc)?

If you choose, you could also make a picture (or two):

- Create a night scene. Cut stars and a moon out of yellow paper and glue them on black paper.
- Create a bug. Use a stamp pad or a small amount of paint. Put one finger into the ink/paint and then stamp your finger on a paper. This is your bug's body; now add legs and a face.
- Create an ocean picture. Put newspaper on the table to protect the table. Use construction paper. Add a small dollop of shaving cream with blue food colouring to the middle of the paper. Have the children finger paint with it to make the ocean.

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Spark StoryBible

Creation:

Before God created the world, there was nothing at all – except God.

On the first day of creation, the wind of God blew. WHISH! WOOSH! SWOOSH! God said, “Let there be light!” CRACKLE! BOOM! BANG! There was light. God saw that the light was good. Then, SPLLLLLLITTT! God divided the light and the darkness into day and night.

On the second day, God said, “Let there be a sky!” PILLOW! BILLOW! PUFF! There was a sky. God saw that the sky was good.

On the third day, God said, “Let there be water and dry land!” DRIP! DROP! KERPLUNK! There was water. CRACKLE! CRUNCH! SNAP! There was dry land. God saw that the water and land were good. Then God said, “Let there be plants and trees!” RUMBLE! RUSTLE! POP! There were plants and trees. God saw that the plants and trees were good.

On the fourth day, God said, “Let there be a sun and a moon and stars!” GLIMMER! SHIMMER! SHINE! There was a sun and a moon and thousands of stars. God saw that the sun and the moon and stars were good.

On the fifth day, God said, “Let there be sea animals that swim and birds that fly!” WIGGLE! SPLISH! SPLASH! There were sea animals. FLUTTER! PUTTER! TWEET! There were birds. God saw that the sea animals and birds were good.

On the sixth day, God said, “Let there be animals of every kind on the earth!” GROWL! PROWL! SNORT! There were animals with fur. SKITTER! SKATTER! CREEP! There were bugs. SLITHER, SLINK, HOP! There were reptiles.

God saw that the animals and bugs and reptiles were good. Then God said, “Let there be people on the earth!” BLINK! WINK! HICCUP! There were people on the earth. God saw that the people were very good.

On the seventh day, God said, “It is time to rest!” WHEW! PSHEW! AHHH! God and all creation rested.

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Spark Story Bible

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