

Prayer Spaces – The Garden of Gethsemane

Station Together – The Garden of Gethsemane

Thoughts, hopes, wishes or prayer

Listen:-

This Prayer Space is all about the Garden of Gethsemane.

Jesus was arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane.

But first he took a few of his disciples there to pray, to talk with God, but they'd fallen asleep.

Jesus was left alone in the darkness, and this is a part of what he prayed; "Abba, Father everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will".

This is the story we remember on Good Friday.

Jesus asked for God's help, and he trusted that God would give help. Jesus talked with God when he was worried.

All of us need help sometimes.

Just before he was arrested, when Jesus was in the Garden of Gethsemane, he asked God to help him.

What do you need help with?

Do you need help or do you know someone or people who need help in our world today?

Pray:-

Just like Jesus did in the Garden of Gethsemane you might like to write down on a sticky label something you need Gods help with?

What do you need help for? Or do you know someone else or a place which needs help now?

When you have done this you can stick this onto your plant pot.



Prayer Spaces – The Resurrection – Hopes and Dreams

Station 1 – The Resurrection – Hopes and Dreams

Thoughts, hopes, wishes or prayer

Listen:-

Three days later, early Sunday Morning,
The women went to a garden,
But the tomb was empty,
Jesus's body was gone!
An Angel stands before them....
"Don't be afraid....Jesus is alive!"



After Jesus died, his body was put into a tomb. Jesus' friends were afraid and confused; it was a dark time. It felt like all their hopes and dreams had gone away. But three days later, the tomb was empty and Jesus was alive!

This is the story we remember on Easter Sunday!

Pray:-

After Jesus died, his body was put in a tomb. Jesus' friends were afraid and confused. It felt like their hopes and dreams and disappeared. But three days later, the tomb was empty and Jesus was alive. They had Hope again!

We all have hopes and dreams. Some hopes and dreams are small and could happen today; others may be big and take a little bit longer to wait.

What do you hope and dream for?

What would you like to thank Jesus for in your life?

To help us pray for our hopes and dreams we are going to make our very own Easter Garden and plant some seeds and watch our hopes and dreams grow.

Prayer Spaces – Forgiveness Stones

Station 2 – Jesus died on the Cross - Forgiveness Stones

Thoughts, hopes, wishes or prayer

Listen:-

On Good Friday, Jesus died on the cross for us! He did this because he loves us and so we can ask him for forgiveness - we know we are forgiven.

The Romans forced Jesus to carry his heavy cross through the streets and then up the hill called Golgotha.

On the cross, Jesus cried out, 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing'.

Even as he was dying on the cross he asked God to forgive those who had put him there.

This is the story we remember on Good Friday.

We sometimes might do or say things wrong, things that we regret and wish we hadn't. When this happens we can ask God for Forgiveness. Sometimes holding on to these things we do wrong and our worries and fears can feel heavy.

What do you want to ask God for Forgiveness for?

What are you worried about?

What do you need Gods Help with or Forgiveness for?

Pray:-

Jesus died to take away all the wrong things we think, say or do that hurt God, hurt other people or hurt ourselves. Because of the cross, when we say sorry to God the wrong things can be forgiven.

Take a Stone and a Chalk Pen and write or draw something you want to say sorry for. Then place this around our wooden cross.



Prayer Spaces – Palm Sunday

Station 4 – Palm Sunday

Thoughts, hopes, wishes or prayer

Listen:-

The week began with the crowds cheering and waving palm branches as Jesus came into Jerusalem. They were hoping he would be a new king but, to their surprise, he was riding on a donkey.

He was going to be king, but not the sort of king they expected.

What did the people in the story shout? What do you think 'Hosanna' means?

The word Hosanna in Hebrew meant 'save us'

The people who were welcoming Jesus into the city recognised Jesus as their Saviour. He was the Messiah that the people had been waiting for and they were so thankful.

Who are you thankful for? What are you thankful for?

Pray:-

On a Palm leaf write down what or who you are thankful for?

It might be family, friends, pets, school, church.

Once you have done this you can hang this on our Palm Prayer Tree.



Prayer Spaces – The Last Supper

Station 3 – The Last Supper

Thoughts, hopes, wishes or prayer

This station is all about the Last Supper!

Jesus and his closest friends went to an upper room to celebrate and share a special feast together.

Does anyone know what this is called?.... Yes it's the Last Supper!

During this special meal Jesus said the words of the feast in a way they had never heard before. *(Bring out some bread...)* Jesus took the bread and blessed it *(hold bread in one hand and raise your other hand over it in blessing)* and broke it *(break bread in half)* and gave it to them saying 'take, eat, this is my body, broken for you. When you eat this, remember me.'

(Bring out a Holy Communion cup...) Then Jesus took the cup and blessed it *(hold the cup in one hand and hover the other hand over the cup in a sign of blessing)* and gave it to them *(motion sharing it)* saying 'take, drink, this is my blood which is given for you. When you drink this, remember me.'

This is the story we remember on Maundy Thursday.

During the last supper, the night before Jesus was killed, Jesus broke bread with his neighbours, his disciples, his best friends!

Who are your best friends?

Who is important to you?

Who would you invite to a special meal together?

Pray:-

How about creating your very own Meal Together for you and your Family!

If you could invite more people to the table who would you invite?

You could make the image of the Last Supper using Lego like I have done here...

