

Looking for Signs of Resurrection and New Life

This is a resurrection treasure hunt for the Sundays in Easter season. You will need to do a few things ahead of time to prepare:

- Make simple resurrection symbols to leave on your journey. These are to indicate that you have heard something that points to the new life of Christ in the world. (Please use natural or biodegradable materials.)

Some ideas:

- Small stones (You could draw a cross, heart, candle, sun, dove etc. on each)
 - Cut out small pieces of paper and draw an image or write a word that reminds you of God's resurrection love
 - Cut out paper hearts in different colours
- Give everyone who is going on the treasure hunt a share of the resurrection symbols
 - Pray together as you begin your journey:
*Jesus, our hearts and our ears need your help.
Help us to hear signs of your new life in the world.
We are so glad for your love for us and for all of creation. Amen*
 - Blow out the candle before you leave!
 - Head out into your neighbourhood with your ears open for signs of Jesus' new life in the world. When you hear something that connects your heart or your imagination with God's resurrection love, place your resurrection sign there. You may choose to say, "Christ is risen!" and those you are with can reply, "He is risen indeed!"
 - When you have put out all the resurrection symbols and you return home from your walk, close with a song. Jesus promises us that God's light can shine in our lives, too:

Song: This Little Light of Mine

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This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

C

G

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

G

B

Em

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,

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D

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Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Feast!

Have a snack together and talk about the things you saw on your new life treasure hunt:

- I wonder what was the favourite thing that you noticed on our walk.
- I wonder what you heard that you think is the most important.
- I wonder if there is something you heard on your walk that would make someone else smile.
- I wonder if there is something you noticed that could remind someone else that Jesus loves them.

Share

Later in the day or the week, find a way to tell or show someone else about one of the things you heard on your new life treasure hunt. Think about someone who you want to be filled with the light and love of Jesus, maybe someone you are close to or maybe someone you don't know that well. Write them a card, send them a picture, give them a phone call or video chat, or maybe drop off one of the resurrection symbols that you made outside their door with a note.

