Easter 2018

**Schedule:**

**Classroom and Small Group Time:**

**5:45–6:25 Saturday Night**

**8:45–9:25 Sunday 9:00**

**10:45–11:25 Sunday 11:00**

1. Greet all of the kids as they arrive – direct them to do the Easter Craft. (20 minutes or until you feel that most of the kids have arrived.)

**Room Leaders:**  You will guide the kids through the discussion (below) before you come into the Summit Room for the rest of the lesson and worship.

1. **Room Teachers: Easter Questions:** Ask the kids the following questions:
2. What did Jesus do during the last supper with His disciples?

(The Last Supper – broke bread, served wine, and Jesus taught about remembering Him because the bread represented His body and the wine represented his blood. We are to practice the Lord’s Supper to remember Jesus’ death for us on the cross.)

1. After dinner where did Jesus go? (The garden of Gethsemane)
2. What did Jesus want to do at the garden? (Pray)
3. What was Jesus praying about? (Asking the Father; *“Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what you will.”* Mark 14:36)
4. What did Jesus ask His disciples to do? (Pray with Him)
5. Instead what did the disciples do? (sleep)
6. Who betrayed Jesus? (Judas) Mark 14:43-45
7. Why did Jesus have to die? (*“Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”* Matthew 20:28

Jesus came to die for our sins.)

1. To answer the next question – you will need an egg. Pass out the Easter Eggs. Tell the kids not to open it.

**Here is your question**, “What happened that proved that Jesus really is the Son of God and our Savior? (Open your egg for a hint.)

Your egg is empty – just like the tomb where they buried Jesus. Jesus did not stay dead – He was raised from the dead and He is alive

(If you have extra time before the kids come into the Summit Room you can have the kids decorate their empty egg with the stickers provided in the classroom.) They may take their empty egg to the Summit Room.

**They will not need Bibles today in the Summit Room!**

**Move to the Summit Room for Large Group Time:**

**Large Group Time in the Summit Room for 1st – 5th Graders**

**This will be taught by one teacher for all of the ages.**

**Worship:**

**6:25–6:40 Saturday Night** (Katie)

**9:25–9:40 Sunday 9:00** (Deb)

**11:25–11:40 Sunday 11:00** (Deb)

 Easter Countdown: Started as the Kids come into Summit Room

 Happy Day: (Play – right after countdown – kids remain seated)

 Worship:

 Celebrate Jesus: (on computer) – kids will be asked to lead on the stage

 with ribbons

 Christ the Lord has risen today: (Go Fish video)

 Lord I Lift Your Name on High (Go Fish Video)

**Large Group Teaching: (Deb or Katie)**

**6:40 – 7:05 Saturday Night** (Katie)

**9:40 – 10:05 Sunday 9:00** (Deb)

**11:40–12:05 Sunday 11:00** (Deb)

**Tell the kids:**

You have been talking in your classrooms about the Resurrection of Jesus.

 But now, we are going to do a group review. First we will watch a short movie.

**Movie:**

**“Kids Present the Easter Story”** 5:00 Minutes

**But let’s review who Jesus is?**

 Ask all of the kids? Is Jesus a man? Is Jesus God’s Son?

The answer is yes to both of these. John 3:16 – God sent His son to earth to die for our sins. Jesus came as a baby grew up fully human – but did not ever sin.

Jesus is fully human and fully God. He lived a sinless life and died on the cross to save us from our sin. This was God’s plan!

 10 Easter Eggs Illustration:

 Fill 10 Easter Eggs with the following;

1. 5 eggs with play money
2. 2 eggs: 1 with grapes; 1 with bread
3. 3 eggs: flowers for leaves

Hand out these eggs to 10 random kids.

Ask the kids to open their eggs.

Who has the 5 eggs with money? Tell the kids to come up and empty their eggs in the basket. Ask the kids why was there money in their eggs?

Because one of Jesus disciples; Judas was paid 30 pieces of silver to betray Jesus. He actually brought the soldiers to Jesus to arrest Him. Imagine how Jesus felt to have one of the 12 betray Him. Have you ever had a friend betray you or talk behind your back? Jesus knows how that feels.

Who has the 2 eggs with bread or grapes in them? Tell them to come up and empty their eggs in the basket. Why do you think that we have a piece of bread and a grape in these two eggs? The night before Jesus’ death, Jesus had a dinner with his disciples – He called it the “Last Supper.” He broke bread to show the disciples how his body would break. Then he took a drink of wine to show them how his blood would spill. It is called communion, and we still take communion today to remember what Jesus did for us.

Who has the 3 eggs with flowers and leaves in them? Have the kids come up and empty their eggs into the basket. Ask the kids why do you think that these things are in the eggs? Before the last supper – Jesus went to a garden to pray. He took his disciples with him – but they fell asleep. This was a hard time for Jesus, but Jesus prayed to His heavenly Father and asked Him for the strength to go to the cross. You guys read Mark 14:36 in class – but let’s remember what it said; *“Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what you will.”* Mark 14:36

Jesus called out “Abba” which means “Daddy” – Jesus was telling God that He trusted Him. Jesus did trust His “Abba Father” and He willing went to the cross to pay the price for our sin.

 **Video: 5 Minutes** (The Easter Story)

 Prayer and dismiss back to class

 **Dismiss back to classes:** (We will have Easter projects for you to do or they can finish

 their craft.)