

Lenten Scavenger Hunt!

This Lent you are invited to "Walk With Jesus" as we journey together toward the Cross and Easter Morning! We encourage you to take a walk each day as you are able. Snap pictures of things that inspire you along the way.

Take it one step further and join in our Scavenger Hunt! Below you'll find a list of clues about the life of Jesus. As you find each clue, take a selfie together with the object or place. You may follow these clues throughout Lent or do them all at once as part of a family adventure (or date!). Send them to Pastor Jo by Wednesday of Holy Week, and your pics will be part of our Easter Video Montage!

Clue #1 – Birth – Luke 2:6-12

The story of Jesus begins in this way:

A newborn asleep in a manger of hay.

He came as our Savior, He's God's Only Son.

No room at the Inn, but out back there was some...

Where was Jesus born?

With your family, find a barn or shed, and take a selfie together beside it. Jesus was born in humble circumstances. Why is that important to us as we follow him?

Clue #2 – Baptism – Matthew 3:13-17

As Jesus grew up, He learned God's Holy Law,

He taught at the Temple---men listened in awe.

One day, John called out, "Come, be washed of your sin!"

So Jesus stepped up and He waded right in!

Where was Jesus baptized?

John the Baptist baptized Jesus in the Jordan River even though Jesus was without sin. See if you can find a stream, river, or lake for your family selfie. Remember how God spoke from heaven when Jesus was baptized? What did God say?

Clue #3 – Ministry – Matthew 4:18-20

The day soon arrived for His mission to start!

Jesus shared the Good News, and still speaks to our hearts.

He preached on the hillsides and down by the sea.

To those who would listen, He says "Follow me!"

Where would Jesus preach and teach today?

Jesus went to everyday places to talk to people about God's love. Take a picture of your family in the place you think Jesus might visit if He was here today.

Clue #4 – Miracles

So many were hurting, They begged for His touch.

He healed and He fed them, He gave them so much!

The Lame could now walk and the Blind could now see, (turn over!)

His love and forgiveness sets all of us free!

What miracles are your favorites?

There are many stories of Jesus' miracles in the Bible. With your family pick your favorite and tell the story. **Take a selfie with your family with an object from your favorite miracle—loaves and fishes, crutches or Band-Aids, water jugs, etc.!**

Clue #5 – Maundy Thursday – Matthew 26:20-30

But, some of the Leaders were angry and scared

They wanted Him gone and began to prepare.

So Jesus, He gathered His friends for a meal.

He shared what would happen; It seemed so unreal!

What do we call this meal that Jesus shared with His disciples?

During the Last Supper, Jesus explained that he would die and rise again, but the Disciples didn't understand his words. It was here that Jesus first described Communion – and how we might remember His sacrificial love through sharing the Bread and Cup together. **Take a picture with your family eating a special meal together!**

Clue #6 – Good Friday – Matthew 27:32-56

The disciples betrayed Him, He soon was arrested.

He faced the High Court, and His death was requested.

He suffered to save us. He took on our shame.

He offers redemption in His Precious Name!

How did Jesus die?

When Jesus died on the cross, his disciples and friends lost all hope. But God had a bigger plan. Death would not have the final word! We remember the cross as a place of suffering, but also as a symbol of hope. **With your family, find a cross and take your picture.**

Clue #7 – Easter Morning – Luke 24:1-12

Some people might think that our story is done.

But that's not the truth! It has only begun!

For after three days, Jesus rose from the dead

He gives us New Life! It is just as He said!

What did the Disciples find when they looked in Jesus' grave?

Our greatest hope comes in knowing that Jesus overcame the grave! He is alive, and through Him, we are reconciled to God and given eternal life. **With your family, find signs of NEW LIFE happening all around us--like tree buds or a patch of flowers. Take your picture together there and consider how just a few weeks ago the ground was cold and dead, but today there is hope and new life!**