March Kid’s Crafts

Kid’s Craft 1 – Days of Holy Week

"We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day."

- Acts 10:39-40a

This verse reminds us of the story of great love told each Holy Week. A story of a God who loves us enough to die on a cross (here called a tree) so that we might have the power of resurrection. You are invited to make this craft before Holy Week begins so that you can follow along with the days and remember the story of Jesus’ final week.

Supplies provided:

* 2 paper plates
* Coloring sheet
* Metal fastener (Brad)

Other supplies needed:

* Crayons, markers, or colored pencils
* Glue or glue stick
* Scissors
* Stickers or other decorations (optional)

Directions:

1. Color the coloring sheet provided (or draw your own designs on a separate sheet of paper if you like).
2. Cut out each of the squares and set aside.
3. Hold one square at the edge of the first plate, cut around the square leaving a bit of extra space on each side to make a plate with a “pie piece” cut out of one side. Make sure not to cut all the way to the middle of the plate. (You might need an adult to help with this step.)
4. Hold both plates together and punch a hole with scissors in the center of both plates. (You might need an adult again.)
5. Set the whole plate aside and glue the Bible passage on the plate with the cutout. Decorate as you like, using stickers, glitter, or anything you like.
6. Glue the holy week symbols around edge of the other plate. Space them evenly around the plate with the bottom of each along the edge of the plate. It will look like a compass rose when you are done. Make sure they are in the correct order as you glue them on.
7. Place the plate with the cutout on top of the other plate and put metal fastener through both layers. Open fastener under plates to hold them together.
8. Rotate the top plate to reveal each day of Holy Week one at a time.

Kid’s Craft 2 – Cross Silhouette

“Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Jesus. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.”

 - Luke 23:32-33

For Holy Week we will make a picture of the cross where Jesus was crucified. But, the neat thing about this craft is that the cross will only be a silhouette or a shadow, and there will be a sunrise behind it. The sunrise with the shadow of the cross reminds us that even though we were sad when Jesus was crucified, we know that Easter is coming soon!

Provided Supplies:

* White paper
* Black construction paper

Other Supplies:

* Crayons/markers/colored pencils/paint
* Scissors
* Glue

Directions:

1. Start with the white piece of paper. Color the paper however you want to make it look like a sunrise! You can use lots of colors and you can fill the whole page. If you use paint to color the paper, you will have to leave some time for it to dry before moving on to the next step.
2. Cut a hill shape out of your black piece of construction paper and glue it to the bottom part of your sunrise paper.
3. Draw and cut out 3 crosses from the black construction paper. (We use three crosses because two other people were crucified with Jesus, but if you only want to do one cross, that’s ok, too.)
4. Glue the crosses onto the hill in a row. It will look like the sun is coming up behind them, which reminds us of Easter joy!