Creating New Traditions:
Church at Home with Children

As we approach this most unusual Holy Week and Easter, we are challenged to find ways to fully bring the meaning of these days into our homes. Take a look at these ideas for bringing church into your home.

• Creating an altar is a great way to highlight faith at home and the whole family can be involved. Here are some ideas.
• A daily devotional can help maintain structure during the days at home. This one was created for families staying home during COVID19.
• The kids might need this as much as the adults: Breath Prayers for Anxious Times.

Some resources just for Holy Week and Easter:

• Made for the Sunday School at St John’s in Hingham, MA, the Rev. Jacqueline Clark’s video of The Story of Holy Week and Easter walks us from Palm Sunday through Easter in kid friendly way.
• Buildfaith.org, a ministry of the Virginia Theological Institute, has a number of ideas for bringing Holy week and Easter into the home: Holy Week at home, Easter in the Household, and Easter Sunrise at Home.
• Also from Building Faith: Easter book suggestions, Easter craft ideas, and thoughts on the all important Easter basket.
• And just for fun: a make-at-home Easter egg hunt board game.

We’ll miss being together for our traditions of worship and celebration this season. Maybe we can turn that around and think of this time as an opportunity to create some new faith traditions at home with our families.