



Hello RCKids Families! Happy Easter! The stone has been rolled away from the tomb. Jesus Christ has risen and our sins have been washed clean! *And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age. Matthew 28:20 (NIV)*

Regular class lessons will resume on April 19 for most classes. This week we will be celebrating Easter. Our lessons this week will follow the same format as last week:

- Worship together with a few songs, family prayer, and an offering as part of our kids' outreach. (Watch for another email with more info about that.)
- Grade level virtual lessons including a video, memory verse, activity, and discussion questions/prayer.

### **Puddlejumpers (0-3 years old)**

For our children in the Puddlejumpers, there is a great app you can download to your phone, iPad, or Kindle called the Bible App for Kids. It is developed by Life.Church and shares interactive, animated Bible stories that are appropriate for young children. Each story is followed by a fun activity to complete online.

For this week we recommend two stories: "It is Finished!" and "A Happy Sunday".

Also, we have linked a short music video below. You may find that there are ads at the beginning of the video. We are working on that!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MIf9jv4pVTM> -One Two Three (a new song for the kids)

### **The Pond, The Ocean, and Upstream (3 years old - 6<sup>th</sup> grade)**

This week we will start worship together as if we are at RiverCross.

Linked below are four songs especially for Easter Sunday! Remember kids that it's important to get up and move for the Lord! Show Him how much you love Him, especially today! Families, you may find that there are ads at the beginning of each video. We are working on that! You may have to copy the link and paste it into the search bar on YouTube. Yup, we're working on that too!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KCLWPd5Yj9c> -One Way

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vDIy5TUXovo> -I'm in the Lord's Army

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NSBR-r9B\\_94&t=22s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NSBR-r9B_94&t=22s) -Hosanna Praise is Rising

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fHTWZ0pZAQ0> – Christ The Lord is Risen Today (kid style)

Now that you've worshipped through song and dance, please take a few minutes to pray as a family. Think of something that God has given you this week, and then put an offering in your special RCKids offering box to give back to Him. After prayer and offering, it's time to split up into our virtual classes.

### **The Pond (3 years old – kindergarten)**

Pond kids, you will watch a video that is about the first Easter Sunday. The lesson is called A Happy Sunday Message.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=8&v=9L8xOOAr7cA&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=8&v=9L8xOOAr7cA&feature=emb_logo)

Work on this memory verse with a grown-up: ***Matthew 28:6*** *He is not here! He has risen, just as He said He would! (NIV)*

Print out the coloring sheet attached to this email and share it with someone special!

**Ocean (1st grade to 3rd grade)** Ocean kids, today you'll be watching a short video Jesus's death and resurrection and why His sacrifice is so important to us. This lesson is called "KS EasterEggstravaganza 2 EE2 Es wk2". You won't be seeing the Konnect crew again this week. They'll be back next week!

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=28&v=q2OI7OkDKN8&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=28&v=q2OI7OkDKN8&feature=emb_logo)

Memory verse for this week: ***Matthew 28:6*** *He is not here! He has risen, just as He said He would! (NIV)* Try to find this verse in the Bible with help from a grown-up; just like we do each week in the Ocean.

It's fun to find eggs at Easter! Now try this game with your family: Print out the egg cards attached to this email (on cardstock if you have some). You do not need to print the cards with Easter Eggstravaganza on them. Cut the cards apart, discard the two that say, "prize egg", and shuffle the rest. Place them face down in the center. In this game, there are good eggs and rotten eggs! Take turns picking up a card and hand it to another player to read aloud to you. No peeking! If you get a good egg, try to answer the question. If you get the right answer, you keep the card. If you get a rotten egg, you have to put all your cards back! Take turns picking up cards. How many can you get before you get a rotten egg? Play as long as you like and feel free to change the rules!

Do one last activity with your family to end your lesson: Act out this Bible Point with your family:  
Jesus Is (point up)  
Alive! (two thumbs up)

**Upstream (4th grade to 6th grade)** Upstream kids, today you will be watching a Loop Show video called "Jesus Saves the World". Here is the link to your video:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4E6OwyQWAIU&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4E6OwyQWAIU&feature=emb_logo)

Memory verse: **Romans 6:23 NLT** *For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Play this memory verse game with your family. You'll need 21 small pieces of paper, 21 plastic Easter eggs (optional), an empty basket (optional), and a timer. Write one word from the memory verse on each piece of paper and place each one inside an egg if you are using them. Place the pieces of paper or eggs in the basket. One person takes the word slips or eggs out of the basket and sees how fast he/she can lay out the whole memory verse in order. Remember to time each other! Finish this lesson by talking with your family about these questions:

- 1- What were some of the ways Jesus surprised the people who were waiting for a savior?
- 2- What is your answer to this big question: How did Jesus save the world?

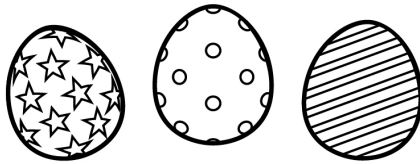
Families, please let the kids know we miss them and are praying for them! Ask them to pray for all of their RCKids teachers and helpers, too. We can't wait to be able to gather with them in person, but for now we hope they continue to learn and grow in Christ at home with you!

Also, be on the lookout for emails inviting your kids to join us for weekly Zoom sessions. Two weeks ago, we talked about creating an offering container so that the kids continue to give an offering during this time of virtual worship. We will be sending out a follow-up email for those kids who missed the Zoom.

Please feel free to share this email with your family, friends, or neighbors who have kids! Let us know if they would like to be added to our email list. Please reach out to us if you or the kids have any questions or any specific prayer requests.

Happy Easter!  
Pam, Kim, and Pete

"HE IS NOT HERE!  
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**MATTHEW 28:6**

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