

CTS Sunday School - 2020-2021

Bible Story: John 20:19-31

Bible Verse: *Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."*

John 20:21

Lesson:

Easter is the most important day for the Church. It is when Jesus rose from the dead and we celebrate his Resurrection.

But what happens next?

After the women and the apostles find the empty tomb, they gather together because they are afraid of what the authorities might do to them and they are not sure yet about their mission from Jesus.

So when Jesus appears to them and says, "Peace be with you," they begin to understand that they need to go and spread the good news about what has happened.

One of the disciples, Thomas, does not believe it is really Jesus. Jesus shows his hands and feet where he was nailed to the cross. When Thomas saw his wounds, he believed.

Jesus appears to many people, and often they do not recognize him. The people are not expecting to see Jesus after his death. But when they see him and talk to him, they realize he has indeed risen from the dead.

In Matthew 28:5-10, Jesus greets the women who have come to the tomb.

In Luke 24:13-32, Jesus walks with two men on the road to a village called Emmaus. Finally, they stop to eat. When Jesus breaks bread with the men, they realize who he is.

Activity:

Take a walk with your family and friends to enjoy the renewal of God's creation after the winter. What do you see?

Do you see daffodils and tulips and other flowers beginning to bloom?

Is the grass getting greener during the spring rains?

Are the trees getting buds and beginning to turn green?

Are there more insects buzzing around?

Do you see more birds or different birds?

What else do you see that means Spring is here?