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<p><b>1 WORSHIP</b> SAY it</p> <p><b>Luke 24:13-16, 28-32</b></p> <p>Click the QR and listen to the story: "Jesus on the Road to Emmaus."</p> <p>Two of Jesus's disciples are walking to a town called Emmaus. They are sad because he has died. Jesus comes to walk with them, though they do not know who he is. They finally realize it is Jesus when he breaks bread, blesses it, and shares it with them.</p> <p> What would you like to say to Jesus—or ask Jesus—about this story?</p>	<p><b>2 PRAY</b> PRAY it</p> <p><b>Hi, God.</b></p> <p>I am happy I can talk to you and hear from you anytime.</p> <p>Amen.</p>	<p><b>3 TURN</b> LIVE it</p> <p><b>Turning Stone</b></p> <p>Find a rock that fits comfortably in one of your hands. Holding the rock, think of a time recently when you did or said something that you knew was wrong, mean, or hurtful.</p> <p>Now close your eyes, and squeeze that mistake into the stone in your hand. Squeeze hard, and give that mistake over to Jesus.</p> <p>Place the rock in a bowl and pour some water over it. Now you are ready to turn back to Jesus and follow his Way of Love.</p>	<p><b>4 BLESS</b> SAY it</p> <p><b>Matthew 5:15-16</b></p> <p>Jesus said: "People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house."</p> <p>"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."</p> <p><i>How does this story make you feel?</i></p>	<p><b>5 REST</b> PRAY it</p> <p><b>Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.</b></p> <p>Amen.</p> <p><i>(The Book of Common Prayer, p. 134)</i></p>	<p><b>6 GO</b> LIVE it</p> <p><b>Love Like Jesus</b></p> <p>It is not always easy to love like Jesus, is it? That's why we have to practice. Think about how you can be kind and safe, even when other people are not:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is there someone at school who isn't nice to you? Can you walk away instead of arguing with them? Can you ask an adult to help you talk to that person?</li> <li>• Is there someone in your family who seems tired and stressed a lot? How can you show that person love?</li> </ul>	<p><b>7 LEARN</b> SAY it</p> <p><b>John 14:7, 23</b> <i>Common English Bible</i></p> <p>Jesus said to his disciples, "If you have really known me, you will also know the Father. From now on you know him and have seen him."</p> <p>"Whoever loves me will keep my word. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them."</p> <p><i>What would you like to say to Jesus—or ask Jesus—about this story?</i></p>	
<p><b>8 WORSHIP</b> PRAY it</p> <p><b>In our worship, we give thanks to God as the giver of all gifts.</b></p> <p>Make a list of things you're grateful for today, saying "thank you" to God for each of them.</p>	<p><b>9 PRAY</b> LIVE it</p> <p><b>Singing and Dancing Our Prayers</b></p> <p>Prayer does not have to mean sitting still and quiet. You can put on a favorite song, and let your dancing and singing be your prayer.</p> <p>Play a song now that makes you feel like God is with you, especially when you sing and move your body.</p>	<p><b>10 TURN</b> SAY it</p> <p><b>Luke 15: 11-32</b></p> <p>Click the QR and listen to the story: "The Disobedient Son and the Forgiving Father."</p> <p>A son didn't want to follow his father's rules, so he left home. At last, he returned to say he was sorry. His father welcomed him with open arms, saying, "My son was lost, and now he's found!"</p> <p><i>How does this story make you feel?</i></p> <p></p>	<p><b>11 BLESS</b> PRAY it</p> <p><b>God, thank you for the ways you bless me. I know you want me to bless others. Sometimes it's easy to think of ways to do that, and sometimes it's hard. Please help me to bless my friends and family with kindness and sharing.</b></p> <p>I share all of these big blessing thoughts in the name of my brother, your son, Jesus.</p> <p>Amen.</p>	<p><b>12 REST</b> LIVE it</p> <p><b>Resting from Worry</b></p> <p>Rest is important for our bodies, and also for our minds and hearts. We might need to let go of a worry or say a fear out loud.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Think about something that is making you sad or worried.</li> <li>• Hold your cupped hands in front of your mouth.</li> <li>• Whisper your trouble into your hands, as a prayer offered to Jesus.</li> <li>• Take your hands from your face and open them to God.</li> </ul> <p>Whenever you do this, God is helping to carry your sadness and your worries. You don't ever have to carry them alone.</p>	<p><b>13 GO</b> SAY it</p> <p><b>Luke 4:14-15, 42-44</b></p> <p>Click the QR and listen to the story: "Jesus Announces His Mission."</p> <p>Jesus goes home to Nazareth and enters the synagogue (his worship community). Jesus tells everyone God has sent him to bring good news and love to people who are poor, blind, and forgotten, and to those who have been hurt by others.</p> <p> What would you like to say to Jesus—or ask Jesus—about this story?</p>	<p><b>14 LEARN</b> PRAY it</p> <p><b>Almighty and everlasting God, you made the universe with all its marvelous order, its atoms, worlds, and galaxies, and the infinite complexity of living creatures: Grant that, as we probe the mysteries of your creation, we may come to know you more truly, and more surely fulfill our role in your eternal purpose; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.</b></p> <p>Amen.</p> <p><i>(The Book of Common Prayer, p. 827)</i></p>	
<p><b>15 WORSHIP</b> LIVE it</p> <p><b>Church Happens Anywhere</b></p> <p>You are God's beloved child and can worship God wherever you are.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sing. Share your favorite songs (from church or not!) with God.</li> <li>• Read a Bible story. What does it tell you about God?</li> <li>• Pray. Thank God for good things in your life, ask for help for yourself and others, and say you're sorry for mistakes. God welcomes all prayers.</li> <li>• Bless. Before you begin to eat, ask God to bless your food and you!</li> <li>• Share love. Remember to carry God's love, and the Good News of Jesus, wherever you go.</li> </ul>	<p><b>16 PRAY</b> SAY it</p> <p><b>Luke 11:1-4</b></p> <p>Click the QR and listen to the story: "Jesus Teaches His Disciples to Pray."</p> <p>We see that Jesus spent lots of time praying. His disciples ask him to teach them to pray, and he does.</p> <p>He starts by saying, "Father, may we cherish your holy name. May your kingdom come to us here on earth."</p> <p> What does this story make you want to do?</p>	<p><b>17 TURN</b> PRAY it</p> <p><b>Dear God,</b></p> <p>Thank you for teaching my heart to turn around, so that when I disappoint myself or someone else, I can say I'm sorry. I can offer to fix what I broke. I can turn my feelings and my body and try again.</p> <p>Help me to listen to the voice in my heart that reminds me you are always there, always ready to welcome me home, always loving me.</p> <p>Amen.</p>	<p><b>18 BLESS</b> LIVE it</p> <p><b>Enough for Everyone</b></p> <p>It's good to practice sharing our blessings with others. Grab a snack with lots of pieces in the bag, and invite others (even your toys), to share:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wash your hands first.</li> <li>• Open the bag and take one piece for yourself, then pass the bag around until everyone has taken one. Keep going until the bag is empty.</li> <li>• If someone has more, talk about what to do with the extra.</li> <li>• Bless the snack by saying, "God, thank you for this treat!"</li> <li>• Enjoy your time together while you eat it.</li> </ul>	<p><b>19 REST</b> SAY it</p> <p><b>Matthew 11:28-30</b></p> <p>Jesus said: "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."</p> <p><i>What words dance in your heart from this story?</i></p>	<p><b>20 GO</b> PRAY it</p> <p><b>Hi, God.</b></p> <p>Please help me be kind to everybody, especially those who are different from me.</p> <p>Amen.</p>	<p><b>21 LEARN</b> LIVE it</p> <p><b>Memory Verse</b></p> <p>Find a short verse that makes you feel close to Jesus. (You might also ask your grown-ups for an idea.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Write the verse you've chosen on a note card or sticky note and put it on the bathroom mirror.</li> <li>• Invite everyone in your family to learn the verse together until you can say it from memory.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>22 WORSHIP</b> SAY it</p> <p><b>Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7</b></p> <p>Come, let us sing to the LORD; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the LORD our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would listen to his voice!</p> <p><i>What words dance in your heart from this song?</i></p>	<p><b>23 PRAY</b> PRAY it</p> <p><b>Prayer doesn't have to be hard. It just means talking to God, who loves to hear what we're thinking, feeling, and hoping. Try to pray to God now, with these simple steps:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Say "thank you" for anything that is good.</li> <li>• Say "I'm sorry" for anything you thought, did, or said that hurt someone.</li> <li>• Ask God for "help!" with everything else.</li> </ul> <p>Amen.</p>	<p><b>24 TURN</b> LIVE it</p> <p><b>Jesus with Me</b></p> <p>Do you ever wonder what Jesus looked like, wore, and even ate?</p> <p>Using any material, create an image of Jesus. Imagine how Jesus might look when you turn toward him. Is he smiling? Are his arms stretched out? Does he give you something? What does Jesus look like and what does he do?</p> <p>Put your image of Jesus somewhere you will see it every day.</p>	<p><b>Advent Calendar 2024</b></p> <p>THE <i>Episcopal</i> CHURCH </p>				<p><b>THE BIG WAY OF LOVE FOR KIDS</b></p> <p></p>