



THIRD SUNDAY in EASTER (Year A 19-20)

Visit video link; "Of The Road to Emmaus"
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Prayer: Lord help us to be believers

'Road to Emmaus'

This Sunday is the Third Sunday in Easter and today we hear another of the post Easter or resurrection stories.

After Jesus had been killed in a very gruelling death, the disciples had been beside themselves with grief, and were terribly sad and very frightened.

They couldn't believe the man they had placed all their hope and trust, had been killed.

Peter had been overcome with guilt over denying Jesus 3 times.

Judas could not cope with selling out Jesus.

Many were intensely nervous about being known as being even friends with Jesus, lest they should suffer the same fate.

Jesus tomb was apparently a new tomb and had been hewn out of rock.

But within a short amount of time of Jesus being laid in this new tomb, as many as 5 sightings of Jesus has occurred not only by the apostles, but other followers too. He was no ghost. He was real.

Two other disciples were travelling from Jerusalem to Emmaus still trying to make sense of the previous days' events. A man caught up with them. It was Jesus.

They did not initially recognise Jesus until he again revisited some of the events that had happened the night of the Last Supper.

He had again broken bread and shared the cup with them as he had done at the Last Supper.

Can you imagine how amazed and even nervous they would have been?

How would we feel if we had thought one of our good friends had died and suddenly, they return?

We would be amazed but gobsmacked. That's how they were.

It gave them the desire to carry on Jesus' work.

They recognised him as the Son of God.

We also recognise that same man as the Son of God.

Some times when things get tuff in our world we struggle to see how God is still in our world with us.



Activities: Today we have 3 Activities : A, B, C, - Enjoy them all.

Gospel

Luke 24: 13-35

A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

Early one morning two disciples of Jesus were walking sadly towards a village called Emmaus. They felt totally miserable as they talked about the events of the past days and the death of Jesus. As they walked, Jesus himself joined them, but they did not recognise him.

Jesus asked them, "What are you talking about?"

One of them answered, "Surely you must have heard about what happened to Jesus of Nazareth! He was handed over to the High Priests and the Roman Governor, who had him crucified. We have heard his body is missing from the tomb where they laid him, but we do not know what has happened."

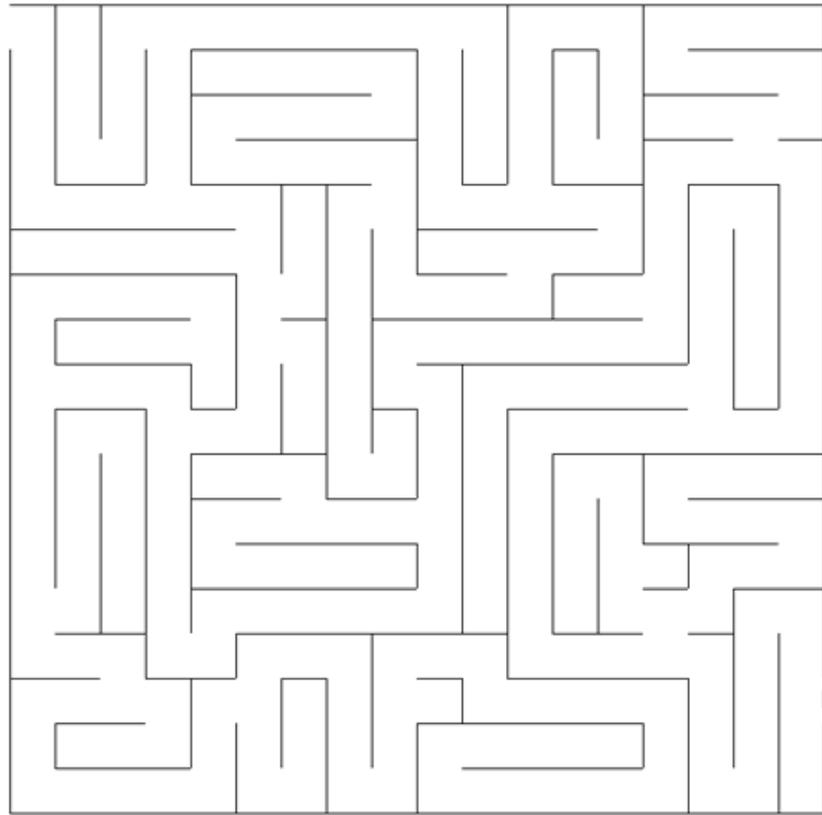
Jesus said to them, "Do you not believe what the prophets have foretold?"

Then he began to explain the prophecies about himself in the Old Testament. When they arrived at Emmaus, the disciples asked Jesus to stay and share a meal with them.

While they were at supper, Jesus took some bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them. At that moment they saw clearly the stranger was in fact Jesus, but he had already disappeared from their sight. "Of course it was the Lord," they said.

"Remember how our hearts seemed to burn as he shared the scriptures with us. How could we have been so blind!" At once they returned to Jerusalem to tell the other disciples that Jesus had risen from the dead, and that they had known him in the breaking of the bread. The Word of the Lord

A/:



Emmaus

B/:

On the Road to Emmaus

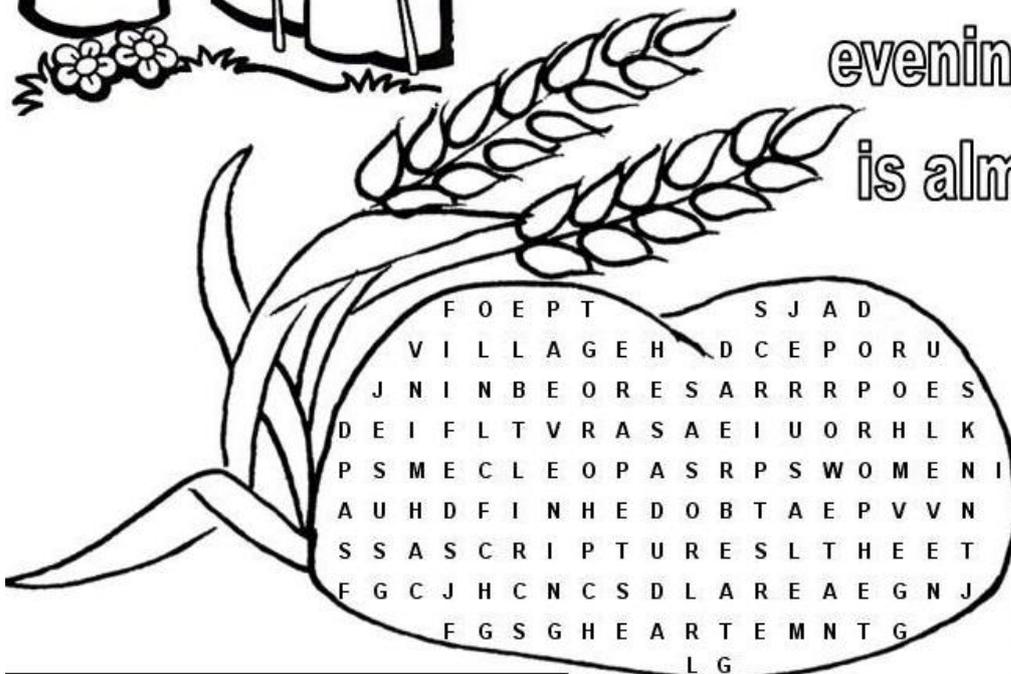
Luke 24,13-38

Find the hidden words

Stay with us,
for it is nearly
evening; the day
is almost over.



Village
Jesus
Prophet
Cleopas
Scriptures
Women
Heart
Table
Evening
Bread
Eleven
Jerusalem



Clue: the words are in all directions — vertical, horizontal, diagonal, even backwards!





C/: Colour in this picture. Make a collage using this picture of the road to Emmaus, add the cross and the butterfly.

A cross symbolises what Jesus has done for us. The butterfly symbolises the new life we have been given because of that cross. Sometimes we struggle to see God in our world just as did the disciples. The bread and wine was the sign Jesus showed them so they knew who he was.

