



Vacation Bible School

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Jesus saves me and gives me life!

In today's world, we do not see Jesus face-to-face. We are not able to touch Jesus and watch Him eat. For many, this can raise doubts and disbelief.

Even the disciples were fearful and doubted at first when they saw Jesus face-to-face after his crucifixion.

Jesus does not leave us in our doubt and disbelief. He shows the disciples, and us, how the Scriptures point to His death and resurrection.

Now, with the disciples, we proclaim repentance and forgiveness in Jesus' name to all nations.

Jesus rose from the dead on Easter morning and appeared to His disciples on Easter evening. They were startled and doubted what they saw, but Jesus

offered them various proofs that He is indeed bodily resurrected as He let them touch Him and ate a piece of fish in front of them. He showed them how the Scriptures pointed to His death and resurrection.

We can't see Jesus, but God has given us the Holy Spirit and other gifts that help us know the truth—that Jesus conquered death and rose again! Now we don't have to fear death at all because all believers will rise and live with Jesus forever!

PRAYER: Jesus, thank You for dying and rising to save us from our sin! Thank You for showing us that You are alive and that we have no reason to fear. Help us remember that we have life in You. In Your name we pray. Amen.



The appearance of Josh Kallies leading the VBS devotion in a banana suit is a scary thought, but not as scary as the disciples first thought the appearance of Jesus was after His resurrection...until He calmed their fears and reminded them of His promises!

Photo by Eleora Fredrich

Jesus Appears to His Followers (Luke 24:36-49)

Our lesson today is the story of what happens AFTER Jesus was crucified and died on the cross on Good Friday. Jesus' disciples knew He died on the cross, so on Sunday evening, they were sad and afraid!

Earlier that day, some women had said that an angel had shown them Jesus' empty tomb and told them that He had risen from the dead. That seemed too good to be true, so they were hiding in a room afraid that Jesus' enemies would find them.

Then two of Jesus' followers came to tell them that they had seen and talked with Jesus as they traveled on the road to Emmaus that evening.

While the disciples listened to what the two men were saying, Jesus appeared in the room and said, "Friends, peace be with you!"

Because the disciples feared that this was a ghost, Jesus asked for something to eat to show them he was real. He also invited them to touch him.

Jesus said, "Everything that was written about Me in Scripture has come true, and it's going to be your job to tell others that their sins are forgiven because of Me. Don't worry. I will send a Helper who will give you the power to do this, but stay here until you have received that gift from Him."

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

What's Happening This Week?

Today:



God's Wonder Lab

Key Bible Verse:

"Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome."

~ Nehemiah 4:14

Friday:

Jesus Sends Paul

Thursday Attendance:

Students: 77

Jr. Helpers: 37

People of the Day! (Showcasing the fine people of VBS since 1927!)



Rachel Kallies, 3rd Grade
Favorite Color: Blue
Favorite Sport: Soccer
Favorite Activity: Playing piano
What I learned at VBS: I learned to love God and others.

Photo by Eleora Fredrich



Liam Rivas, 2nd Grade
Favorite Color: Red
Favorite Activity: Playing football
Favorite Sport: Football
What I learned at VBS: God can do miracles!

Photo by Eleora Fredrich

All students should wear the gray VBS t-shirts tomorrow!



Arrive no later than 8:40 a.m.!

NEWS ALERTS!

Kitchen News:

Today the students were reminded of Easter and Jesus' resurrection as they enjoyed their 'butterfly' snack (see photo to the right). Butterflies symbolize the Resurrection because a beautiful butterfly emerges from something that looks lifeless just as Jesus defeated death and rose from the grave!

Other News:

All students should wear their gray VBS t-shirts tomorrow for the group photo on the final day of VBS! Be here no later than 8:40 a.m.!

Also make plans to join us at 10:30 AM on Sunday, June 12th for our VBS closing service! The children will be singing two of the songs they have practiced each day this week.

You can also check out this newsletter in color online at www.graceglendale.org/vbs.

All students will be picked up from the fellowship hall after VBS classes dismiss. Parents must contact the group leader to sign out their child(ren).

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Above: The 'butterfly' snack

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Below: Emily Walker enjoys the company of a very young member of the VBS experience. Photo by Eleora Fredrich

