

# FAMILY FAITH ON THE FRIDGE

Jacob's Well - A Monthly Guide for Playing in God's Story at Home - April 2014



## Holy Week Together

### Maundy Thursday

**Seder** - April 17th from 6-8pm in Banner Hall.

Great for grade schoolers! This meal uses symbolic foods to recount God's saving acts in the Exodus and the saving acts of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. Full details and sign ups online at [jacobsowellchurch.org](http://jacobsowellchurch.org).

**Holy Saturday Vigil** - April 19th from 7pm to midnight in the Prayer Chapel. We invite you to experience a sacred space designed just for families. Seven interactive stations focusing on Jesus' journey to the cross will be available for your family.

**Easter Sunday Celebration** - Start your morning together reading the story of Jesus' resurrection (Mark 16:1-11), and light your Christ candle! It's time to celebrate the hope that is ours! Head over to Jacob's Well at 7, 9, or 11am to celebrate and enjoy a pancake breakfast in Banner Hall with our community! Children three years and older will join the celebration in the main sanctuary, and pew activities will be available in the lobby. Childcare is provided for our wee ones two years old and under.

**Good Friday at Home** - This is a great time to invite young ones to participate. Get ready for bed, then head to the family space where your Christ candle awaits. Read the story of Jesus' death (Luke 23), and then extinguish Christ's light and head to bed in the dark and quiet together.

## Sing Praises

### Jesus is Alive

*(tune of Mary Had a Little Lamb)*

In the quiet garden, garden, garden.  
In the quiet garden, Jesus prays alone.  
*(wave arms, pray)*

They came and took him to the cross.  
Then placed him in a tomb.  
*(arms out, arms wrap around)*

For three days all was still  
But suddenly it changed!  
*(three fingers, surprised hands)*

The tomb stone was rolled away  
But Jesus was not inside.  
*(roll hands, questioning hands)*

He's walking in the Easter garden  
Jesus is alive!  
*(walk, arms to the sky)*

### Little Donkey

Little donkey, little donkey,  
on the dusty road.  
*(donkey ears)*

Got to keep on plodding onward  
with your precious load.  
*(plod)*

Wave your palm branches  
*(wave arms in the air)*  
Jerusalem, Jerusalem.  
Shout Hosanna  
*(cup hands at mouth)*  
Jerusalem, Jerusalem.

Little donkey, little donkey,  
on the dusty road.

### Praise Ye the Lord

Allelu, allelu, allelu,  
Alleluia!

Praise you, Lord! (x2)

Praise you, Lord! Alleluia! (x3)  
Praise you, Lord!

### Sing Hosanna

Sing, Hosanna, Sing Hosanna,  
Sing Hosanna to the King of Kings.



## Congregational Meeting

On Sunday, April 27th, you are invited to attend an important congregational meeting after each service.

The worship gathering will be shortened to allow time for those with children to attend. This means, children will not be picked up for communion this Sunday, but instead, after the congregational meeting.



## Rain for Roots

Rain for Roots has a great new kid's album, and it's perfect for preschoolers and wee ones.



Hear a sample at [rainforroots.bigcartel.com](http://rainforroots.bigcartel.com)

## A Note from the Kairos Director

Hello, parents! My name is Moe and I'm the Kairos Director at JW. As we continue to adjust to the new rhythms of our children joining us for communion on Sundays, I wanted to suggest two tips to help enhance the worship experience for everyone.



1) Please remain seated in the sanctuary until the pastor is completely finished speaking, including the reading of the Lord's Supper passage. If possible, please do not dismiss to gather your children until the speaker sets aside the podium and the servers come forward. This will help us all to maintain a reflective space as we enter in to communion.

2) We ask that you serve communion to your children who are five years old and under. Please break off a piece of bread and dip it, then hand it to your child instead of inviting them to serve themselves. This will assist greatly both in the server's ability to interact with your family as well as to keep things hygienic!

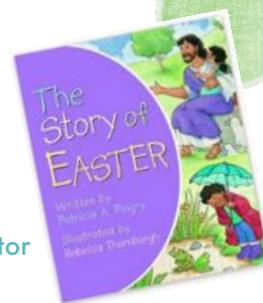
If you have any questions about the suggestions above, please don't hesitate to email me at [maureenl@jacobswellchurch.org](mailto:maureenl@jacobswellchurch.org).

## Easter Books We Love . . .

### The Story of Easter, by Patricia Pingry

Perfect for little ones, this book gives a simple and sweet explanation of Easter and of Jesus's love for us. I love how it ties the Easter story in with spring, something tangible that kids are seeing all around them this time of year.

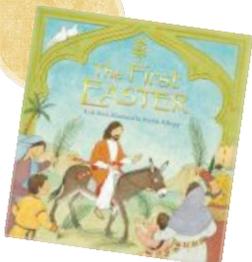
– Christy Hanson, Jacob's Well Children's Pastor



### The First Easter, by Lois Rock

Perfect for preschoolers, this book gently introduces young readers to the death and resurrection of Jesus. The illustrations are wonderful, and I love how the author carries the story well beyond the cross introducing kids to the hope that is ours.

– Chris Moore, Jacob's Well Children's Pastor



### Humphrey's First Palm Sunday, by Carol Heyer

Humphrey is a beloved storyteller in our family. We love his silly antics. Just like at Christmas, Humphrey finds himself struggling again with how important he is, only to realize how much more important Jesus is. Never one to disappoint, Humphrey's encounter with Jesus is touching and fun all at the same time.

– Chris Moore, Jacob's Well Children's Pastor

