



# Sea of Galilee

## Month of April

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### Dates/Reminders

- Please submit your report card so that you can be recognized for all of your hard work. We will recognize students during our Youth Takeover Service on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Don't forget to bring an offering with you to Children's Church each week.
- Easter Egg Hunt April 15<sup>th</sup> from 11 am - 1pm Hope to See you there!

### This Month in Children's Church

Dear Parents,  
We will conclude our work with the 12 Disciples. At the end of our study, children will be able to answer the following questions: What is a disciple/apostle? What is discipleship? What are the qualifications to become a disciple? Who were the twelve disciples? What was the mission of the disciples?

**Students will learn that a Disciple:** is a follower or learner. Someone who takes up the ways of someone else. Applied to Jesus, A Christian disciple is a person who accepts and assists in the spreading of the good news of Jesus Christ. (Acts 26:28; 2 Corinthians 1:21).

**Christian Discipleship:** the process by which disciples grow in the Lord Jesus Christ and are equipped by the Holy Spirit, who resides in our hearts, to overcome the pressures and trials of this present life and become more and more Christ like.



### Vision Forward

The Children's Ministry will begin participating in Vision Forward this month. It is our goal to raise \$2,000 by the end of the year to help support both the children's ministry as well as the Vision of our Church. We will begin by doing a coin collection. Please have your child pick up a Sea of Galilee Gleaner and fill it with quarters. We encourage students to ask neighbors and friends for quarters. We also encourage students to work around the house and earn quarters for themselves. Once the gleaner has been filled, return it to the church office or to one of the ministry workers. Please feel free to fill as many of the gleaners as you would like. Thanks in advance for your support with the Sea of Galilee Vision Forward efforts!





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# Rejoice in Jesus' Resurrection at Easter!

Reminders of new life and rebirth appear each spring throughout nature. For Christians, the most important celebration of new life is Jesus' resurrection from the dead on Easter. Children may associate the holiday with bunnies, baskets, and candy, so it is important to share with them the real reason we rejoice: Jesus' empty tomb.

Use these creative ideas to share Easter's message with children. Share that Jesus died and came to life again so we can go to heaven and be with Him forever.

**Palm Sunday:** Make "praise shakers" to celebrate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Decorate the bottom sides of two paper plates. Staple the plates together, bottom sides out, leaving space to pour in beads or buttons. Staple the gap. Add streamers, and have a parade. Celebrate Jesus by shaking the instruments and with shouts of praise.



### Good Friday:



Insert toothpicks in a small vine wreath to resemble Jesus' crown of thorns. Whenever a family member makes a sacrifice for someone else, remove one thorn. The night before Easter, after children are asleep, remove the remaining thorns and decorate the crown with white ribbons and bright flowers.

**Easter Sunday** Using a stamp pad and colored pencils, work together to make thumbprint pictures that retell Easter events. For example, draw a tomb with a rolled-away thumbprint rock and a butterfly with thumbprint wings

