



# FAITH AT HOME

Aldersgate Church ~ St. Louis Park, MN

**Week of April 17, 2022: John 20:1-18**

## Memory Verse

**John 20:1b** " ...Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb."

## A Time to Pray

### An Easter Prayer:

Dear God, Thank you for giving us Jesus. We are glad that he is alive and lives with us today. Help us to remember Easter every day. Amen

### A Bedtime Blessing:

All is well, all is right  
Rest my child thru the night  
Dream big dreams of God's love  
While the stars shine from above

## Activities:

### Pebble Pictures (age 6-12)

*You will need: smooth stones (large enough to write on), permanent markers in a variety of colors. Choose a rock to represent the stone rolled away from the tomb....*



## The Story: No More Sadness!

Early Sunday morning  
before the daylight came,  
Mary walked to the garden  
to sit by Jesus' grave.  
Her heart was full of sadness,  
her eyes were full of tears,  
remembering being with Jesus  
in all their happy years...  
"How wonderful his stories,  
how kind he was, such fun!  
My great friend and teacher,  
I can't believe he's gone..."

Early Sunday morning  
when the sunrise came,  
what a surprise for Mary  
when she looked at Jesus' grave.  
"Who moved that great big stone?  
Why isn't Jesus here?  
Why are the cloths that wrapped him  
just lying on the floor?"

Early Sunday morning

... Write on it a word that symbolizes something for you from the Easter story such as Risen, Love, Jesus.

Cross Picture ~ any age

*You will need: colored chalk or other coloring supplies, masking tape, card stock*

Create a cross in the middle of the card stock using the masking tape. Color the page and then gently remove the tape.

Talk about what the cross means in the light of Easter.

### **Baking continued**

2. Dip tops of dough into remaining butter and cinnamon-sugar. Place with sugar side up in greased muffin cups.
3. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 to 15 minutes or until rolls are golden brown.
4. Allow to cool slightly then eat warm.

### **Symbolism of Empty Tomb Rolls:**

- Large marshmallows are body of Jesus
- Crescent roll is the wrapping of Jesus' body or the tomb.

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the gentle angels came,  
with amazing news for Mary  
as she stood by Jesus' grave.

"Listen to us, Mary,  
you don't need to cry.  
You don't have to feel so sad,  
let us tell you why!  
Jesus is alive again,  
it's a very special day!  
You'll always know he's with you  
in a new and wonderful way!"

Early Sunday morning  
Jesus himself came,  
and called out, "Mary,  
don't stand beside that grave!  
Go and tell the others,  
all our friends near and far,  
I'm here with you forever,  
we'll never be apart!  
Oh Jesus is alive again,  
it's a very special day!  
Don't you know he's always with us  
In a new and wonderful way!"

 **Baking: Empty Tomb Rolls** (any age, with adult supervision) Empty tomb Rolls - Make with a marshmallow. The marshmallow will disappear (melt) when cooked. This represents the empty tomb.

#### INGREDIENTS

- 1 (8 ounce or 12 ounce) package refrigerated crescent rolls (the bigger size makes it a little easier to wrap around the marshmallow)
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon
- 8 large marshmallows
- 1/4 cup butter, melted

1. Separate rolls into eight triangles. Combine sugar and cinnamon. Dip each marshmallow into butter, roll in cinnamon-sugar and place on a triangle. Pinch dough around marshmallow, sealing all edges. Make sure to seal well or the marshmallow will escape... (continued)