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EASTER SUNDAY

HE IS RISEN!

This is an Easter Sunday special! Yay! I have some balloons to decorate the gym. Climbers and Trailblazers will be altogether. Helpers are Lou, Jen, Ian F, Claire and I will help set up.

The morning is structured as Drama, Game, Easter egg Hunt, Prayer, (Snack), Craft.

For the drama, the kids will be divided into mixed aged groups so that the older ones can help the younger ones. If these groups are working well, you could keep them for the egg and spoon race and the easter egg hunt. Otherwise you can mix them up.

The choc prize for the egg hunt is a big choc egg that will be given at end. You may find this prize at the end a useful incentive for behaviour during the morning too!

STORY DRAMA AND DISCUSSION

(Led by Claire in gym)

GAME – egg and spoon race (in gym)

EASTER EGG AND CLUE HUNT!

(See instructions)

(Outside. Eggs and clues prepped by Ellie, big choc eggs kept separately as prize at end. Flip chart and tape outdoors to stick clues onto as you find them)

PRAYER at end of egg hunt

CRAFT – He is risen! Rockets/Games available for climbers

SPARE GAME - Jump up, turn around, sit down

Jesus died for everybody! Now whoever believes in Him will have eternal life.

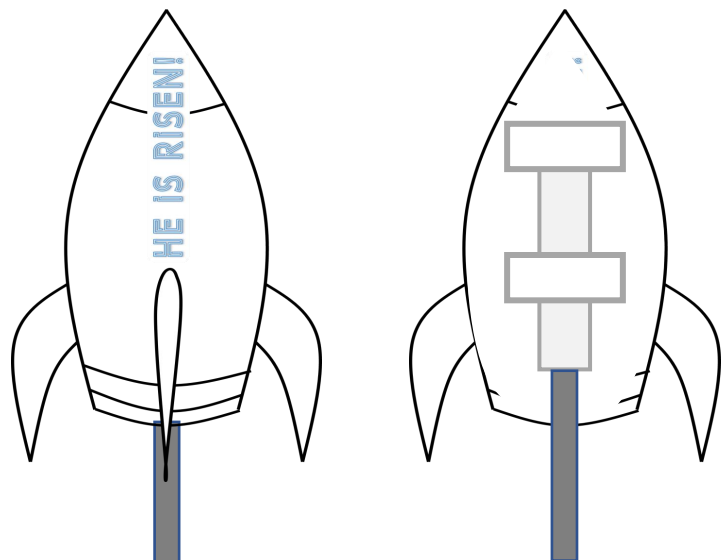
Everyone find a space and sit down. Caller shouts out “everyone with....(blue eyes, etc.)... jump up, turn around, sit down!”

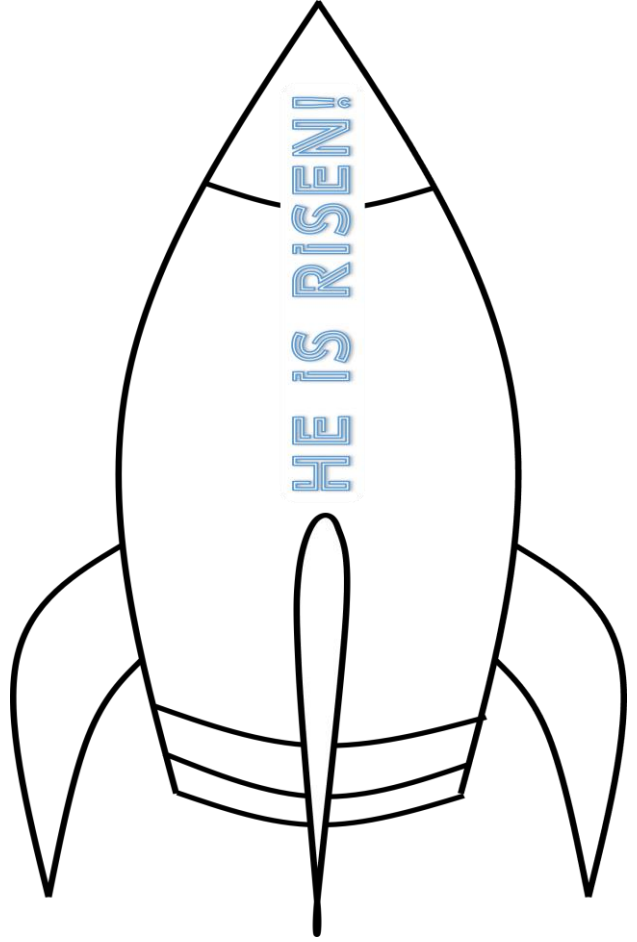
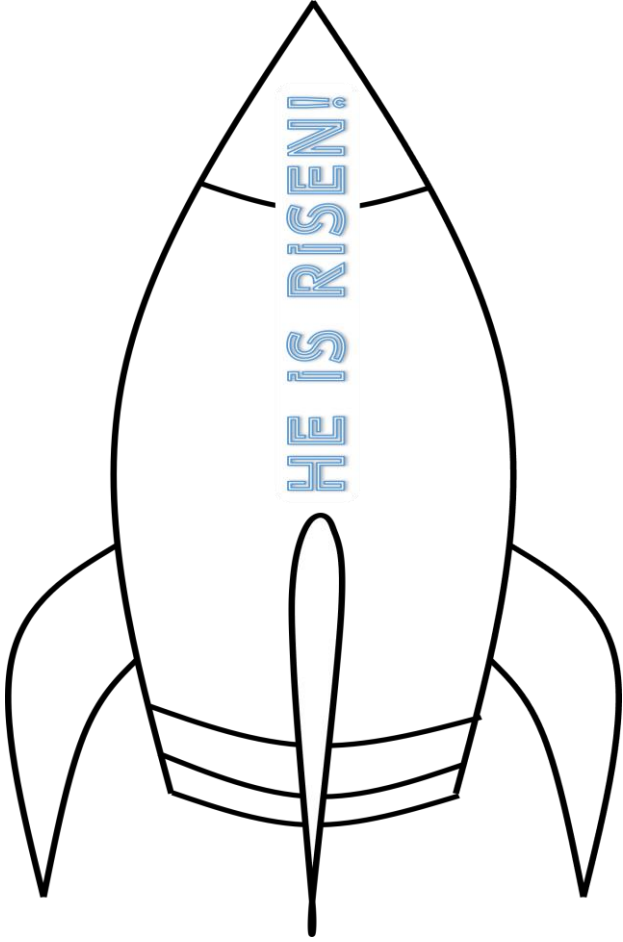
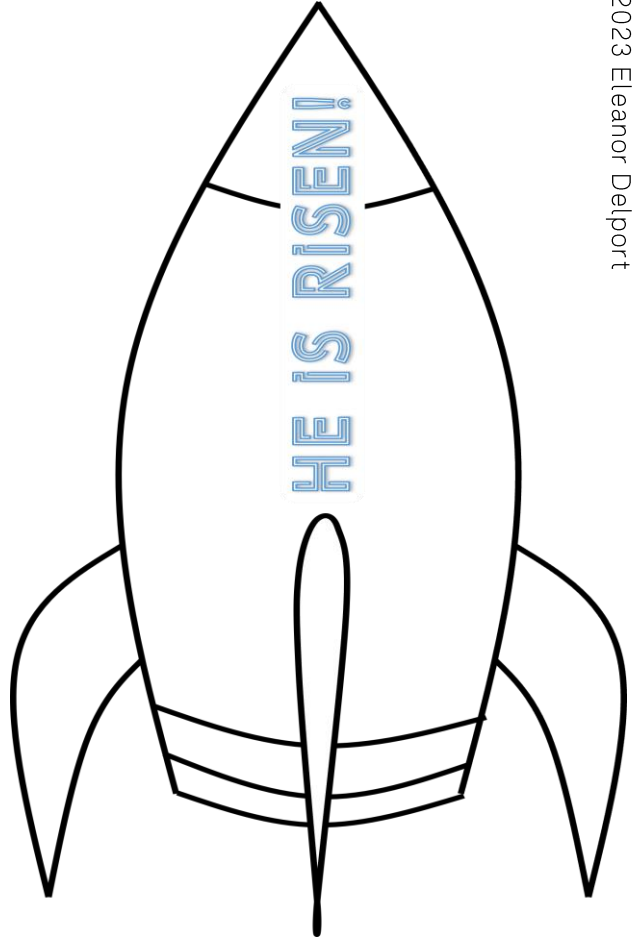
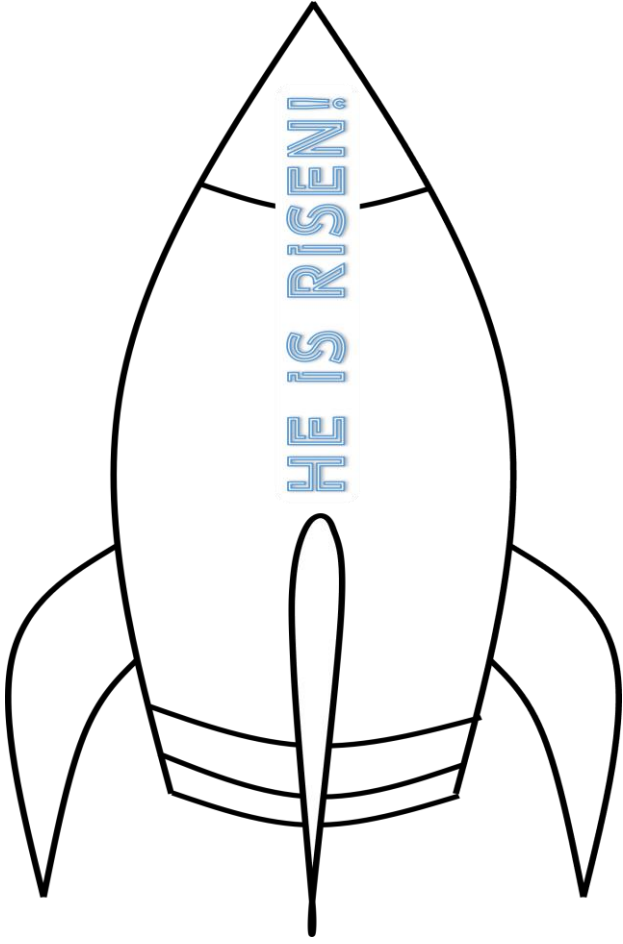
HE IS RISEN! ROCKETS

You will need:

One rocket printed out per child,
pens, tape, two sizes of straw,
scissors

1. Colour in and cut out the rocket
2. Tape a short length of the wider diameter straw to the back of the rocket, taping over the end of the straw nearest the tip
3. Cut a longer length (about 15 cm) of the smaller diameter straw and insert this into the rocket
4. Blow the rocket into the air!





EASTER EGG HUNT!

You will need:

- Chocolate eggs,
- Answers to “why did Jesus die?” hidden with the eggs
- Flipchart and tack/tape for gathering answers to why did Jesus die

1. Hide the eggs and answer cards
2. Pair up older child with a younger child
3. Hunt for the answers and eggs! Children should gather in any answers they find to the question “Why did Jesus die?” and stick them to the flip chart or shared piece of paper
4. After the hunt, reflect on all the answers you have found!
5. You could let each child take an answer and gather in smaller groups to pray and thank God for the answer they are holding. E.g. if I take the “to make us new” answer, I might pray: “Thank you Jesus that you died on a cross, rose from the grave and went up into Heaven to make us new.”

Why did Jesus die, rise from death, ascend into Heaven?

Cut out these answers and hide them with the eggs. (This is not an exhaustive list!) When the children collect them, have them stick them to a board/paper and see the wonderful things Jesus achieved for us!

He loves us	So that our worship can be acceptable to God
To take away the sins of the world	To give us joy and hope
To wash us clean	He was crushed for the evil things we did
So that we can be forgiven and can forgive others	He was wounded for the wrong things we did
To make us ready to receive His Holy Spirit	The punishment that brought us peace was on him
So we can be adopted into His family	By His wounds we are healed
So that we can become a holy nation, a royal priesthood	He was a sacrifice for sin
To take away our sin and shame	He willingly gave up His life and God raised Him from the dead
To set us free from the power of death	He asked forgiveness for those who sinned
To set us free from the power of disease	We all had turned away and sinned
To set us free from the power of evil and the devil	We were slaves to sin and facing death
So that He could become our High Priest, who represents us to Father God	Our relationship with God, each other and the world was broken
To make us righteous, bringing us into friendship and peace with God	It was the will of God the Father and God the Son that Jesus should suffer and be raised from death
To pay the penalty for our sin	So we can become true images of God again
So that we too can rise from the dead and be with Him in Heaven and the New Heavens and New Earth	
To present us to God as holy	
To give us hope and a future	
To make us new	