

Lesson 18: Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Grade 3 Chapter 18 and Easter

KEY CONCEPT

Holy Orders is the Sacrament in which baptized men are ordained as deacons, priests, or bishops to lead and serve the Church. Matrimony joins a baptized man and a baptized woman in Christian marriage to serve God by loving and serving each other and any children God gives them.

QUICK SESSION OVERVIEW

STEP 1 - WELCOME

STEP 2 - INVITE

STEP 3 - DISCOVER

STEP 4 - LIVE

STEP 5 - CLOSING

Finish Lent Strong!

- Quote from Pope Benedict XVI on Lent

“Lent is like a long ‘retreat’ during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One. It is a period of spiritual ‘combat’ which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism.”

STEP 1 - WELCOME

TIP

Community Activity – Easter word search

STEP 2 – INVITE

TIP

Let us Pray

- **Our Father**
- **Read God's word section (pg. 35)**
- **Talk about What do You Wonder questions. (Jesus wanted us to share in the Eucharist so that we could remember him and do what he did)**

STEP 3 – DISCOVER

TIP

Learning about Service (pg. 244)

- **Ask: How do married people and ordained men serve others?**
- **Read paragraph**

Read The Wedding Story

- **Point out that all families suffer through difficult times. But family members can help one another through the hard times, and we can always turn to God.**
- **Ask what good memories of weddings and married life have family members shared with you?**
- **Looking at the picture at the bottom of the page – Would you consider this to be a good family time? Why?**

Sharing Wedding memories

- **Read paragraphs**
- **Talk about Share your faith section.**
- **Ask: How are the lives of married people, deacons, and priests similar?**

(Possible response – All involve the promise of a lifetime commitment and the use of talents to serve God and others)

Serving God's People (pg. 246)

- **Ask: How do the Sacraments at the Service of Communion continue Jesus' work?**
- **Read paragraphs**
- **Read God's word**
- **Ask the question listed**

Sacraments of Service

Review the chart on pg. 247

Serving One Another

- **Read paragraphs**

STEP 4 – LIVE

TIP

Our Catholic Life

- **Ask: How can you serve the family of God?**
- **Read paragraphs**
- **Activity – Do Service to Others sheet**

Easter

The Three Days (pg. 36)

- **Read the paragraphs**
- **Ask what special days are included in the celebration of the Triduum? (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday)**
- **Ask what did Jesus do on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter? (He gave us the Eucharist, he died on the cross, and he rose from the dead)**

Triduum colors - Holy Thursday the priest wears white

Good Friday is signified with red, the color of blood and martyrdom.

The joy of Easter is celebrated with white or gold vestments.

The Holiest Day (pg. 40)

- **Read paragraph**

A Holy People

- **Read paragraphs. Point out the picture of the priest sprinkling holy water on the people. This reminds us of our Baptism.**

Take Homes

- **Remind the children to review the Faith and Family section with their parents**
- **Chapter and Unit Reviews.**

STEP 5 – CLOSING

TIP

Closing Prayer

- **Memorare**

Chapter 18 Activity Master

Name _____ Date _____

Service to Others

Write each word from the Word Bank under the correct Sacrament of Service. Some words may be used for both Sacraments.



Matrimony

Word Bank
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witnesses	bishop
priest	marriage
anniversary	ordain
deacon	vows



Holy Orders

_____	_____
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All Christians are called to use their gifts in service to God's People.

Draw a picture that shows you helping others.

He is Risen!



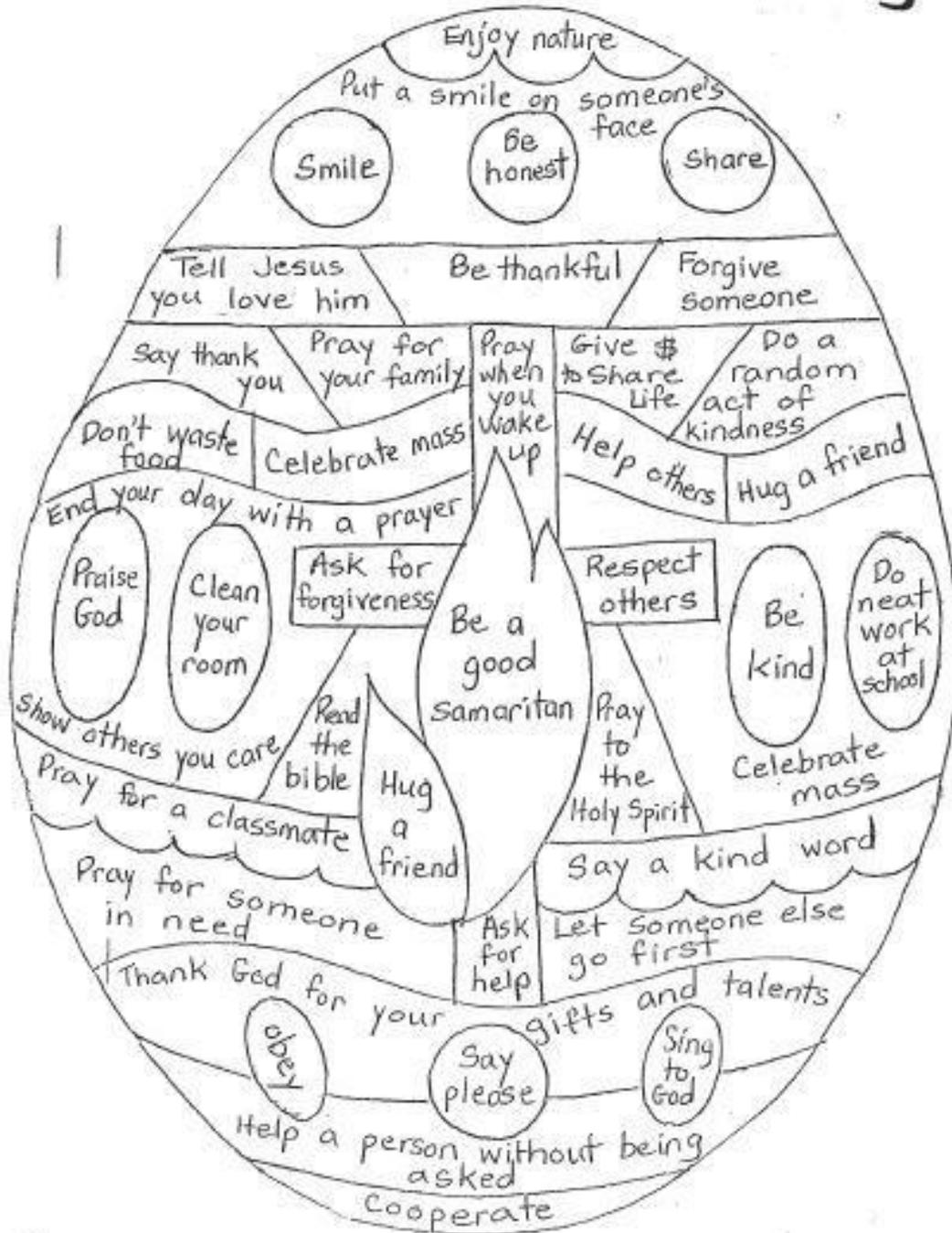
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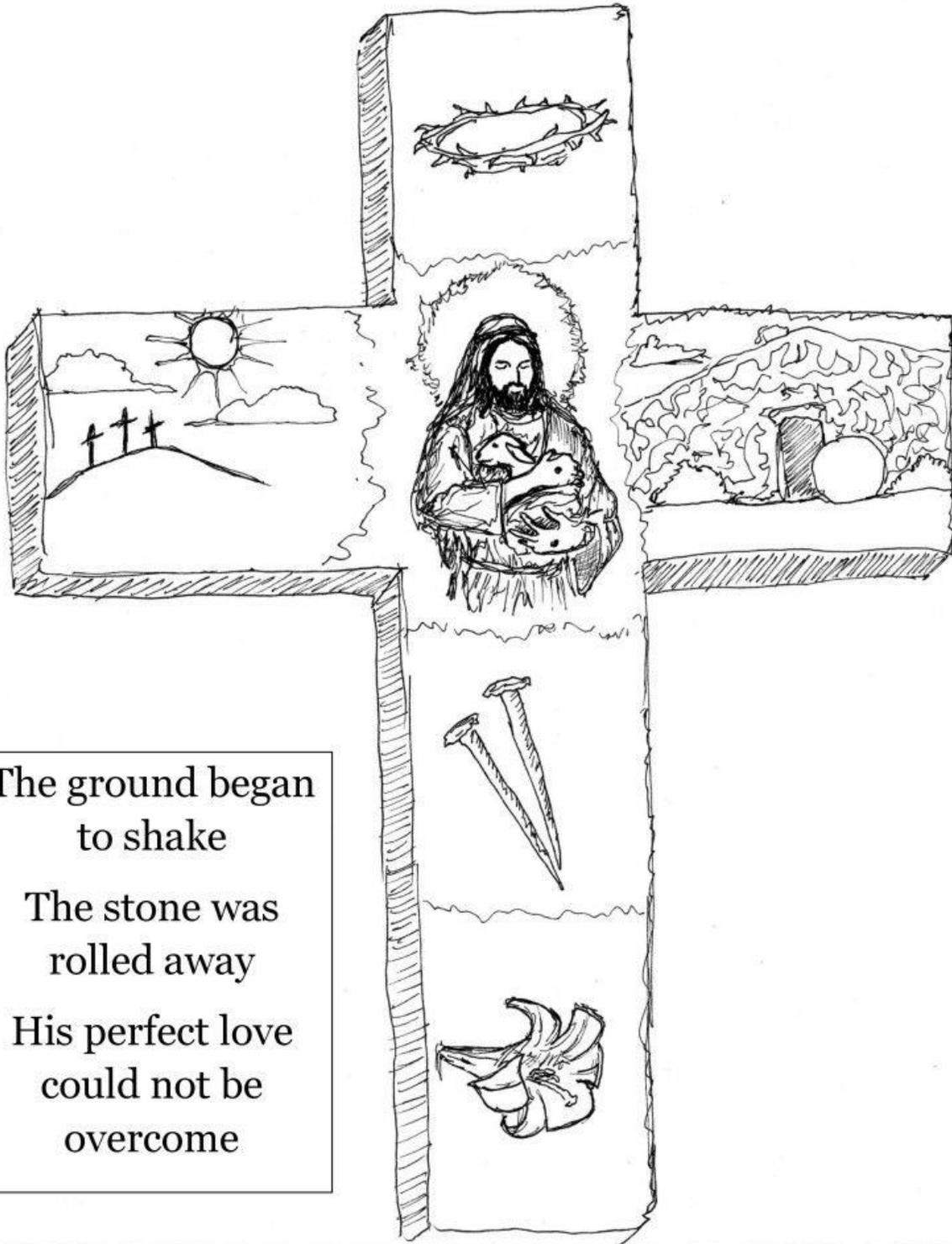
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Lent is For Loving



Spirit of God, fill me with Jesus' life



The ground began
to shake
The stone was
rolled away
His perfect love
could not be
overcome

What is Easter?

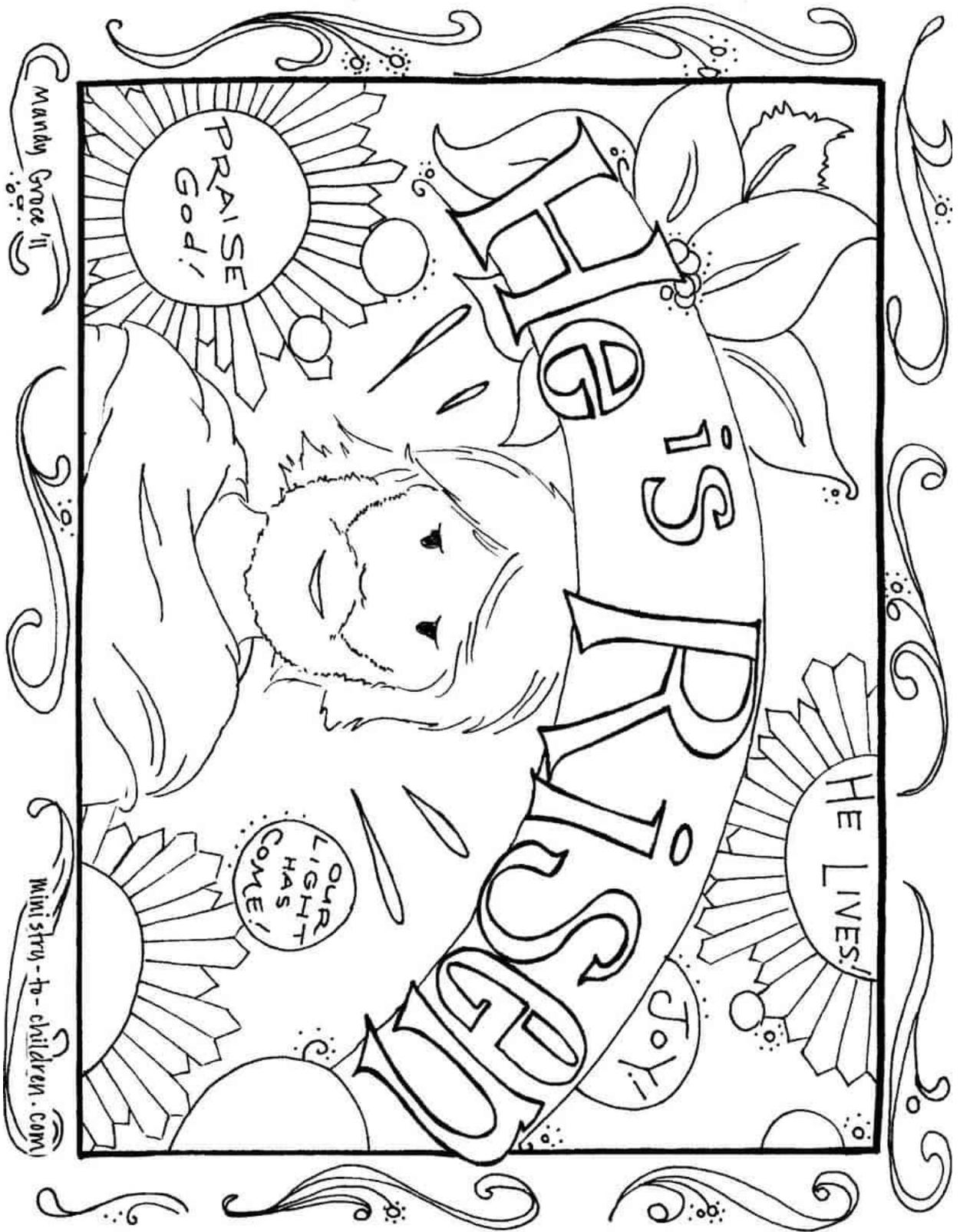
It's not about the eggs to hunt
It's not about a bunny
It's not about brand new clothes
Or candy as sweet as hunny

On this day many years ago
A man named Jesus Christ
Upon a cross for you and me
Gladly gave his life

Not for sins that He had done
Or crimes He must repay
He did it all for you and me
For our sins He died that day

But that's not the end of Jesus Christ
They put Him in a grave
But three days later He rose again
Our sin debt had finally been paid

So this Easter as you hunt for eggs
Dressed up in brand new clothes
Don't think about the Easter Bunny
Think about why Christ arose



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