



April 9, 2023, Easter

Matthew 28:1-10

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

God of new life, the empty tomb shouts your love to all of creation. May we, with the women, go forth in joy, proclaiming your good news to all people, for the sake of our risen savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you.' ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. (Matthew 28:7-8)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Jesus is risen! With fear and great joy, Mary and Mary ran to tell the disciples what they had experienced.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- What loud or bright things in our culture compete for your attention? Is Jesus' resurrection drowned out? Where do you see his resurrection and love for humanity loud and clear?
- What challenges do you face that make faith hard to come by? What can you do this week to strengthen your faith?
- For the littles: What's your favorite thing about Easter? Jesus was raised from the dead on Easter! Hallelujah!!



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May the God of the resurrection bring you to new life! Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Post on social media one place you saw the presence of Jesus in the world this week. #Jesuslives



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the daily readings.

Monday, Psalm 118:19-24, *Psalm*

Tuesday, Matthew 28:11-15, *The Report of the Guard*

Wednesday, Acts 1:12-26, *Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas*

Thursday, Acts 2:37-42, *The First Converts*

Friday, Acts 5:12-16, *The Apostles Heal Many*

Saturday, Acts 5:17-42, *The Apostles are Persecuted*