Story Guide

FACES OF EASTER VI



EVERYDAY

GODLY PLAY

THE INVITATION

"The catechist is not the teacher of the child, but the one who helps the child discover, with all their being, the presence of God in their life." -Gianna Gobbi

In Godly Play, the spirituality of all ages is nurtured through wonder, narrative, rhythm, and play. We invite you individually or in community to experience a story, reflect, and respond, engaging in some of the rhythms in this guide.

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...Jesus took some bread and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke the bread and said something like, "Whenever you break the bread like this and share it, I will be there." He also took a cup of wine, gave thanks to God for it, and said, "Whenever you share a cup of wine like this, I will be there."



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WE WONDER

Wondering is an open-ended practice where each person makes meaning for themselves. Engaging in active listening and being present with one another, there are no right answers but rather opportunities to say, "I wonder that too."

At the end of this story, we wonder together:

I wonder what Jesus meant when he said something like, "Whenever you break the bread or share a cup of wine like this, I will be there."? I wonder why the Twelve disappeared into the darkness? I wonder what part of this story is for you? I wonder what you might add to the story about Jesus' last days in Jerusalem?



WE RESPOND

When we respond to the story or to anything that may be present in our lives, the focus for this time is on process and not product. Whether it's coloring, drawing, sculpting with clay, reading, meditating, the gift of this time and space should support each person to express themselves in the way they see fit.

MEDITATIVE MOMENT

Have you ever felt like something was coming to an end which caused you to feel afraid? Take a moment to share about this experience with someone else or reflect on it yourself. Then close your eyes and internally or externally say, "I know what it is to be afraid. I know what it is to feel confused. I know what it feels like for things to end too soon or in a way that I perceive as bad. And though I do not understand, God is with me and I will not forget." When you're ready, come back to the present moment knowing that any time you feel afraid or confused, breathe and say, "Though I do not understand, God is with me and I will not forget."

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Tune in to our podcast, <u>Mess Makes Meaning</u> or visit our Everyday Godly Play page <u>HERE</u>.

