



Jesus and the Passover

*Light a candle and remember the presence of God is with you.
Before you begin, cut out the Lent Wreath pieces.*

The season of Lent is the time when we prepare for Easter. The church uses the color purple to show when we are getting ready for something important.

Every week is a different piece of a what becomes very special story.

Let each person cut out or touch a piece of the wreath.

When Jesus, God's special son, grew up, his family and friends went to Jerusalem every year to celebrate & remember a special story.

Place table in front of you. Place cup and plate on the table.

Every year there was a holiday called Passover when people would eat together and retell the story of how God freed the people from being slaves in Egypt.

Present Jesus and place him at the table.

After Jesus headed to Jerusalem on the donkey, his friends gathered with him to have the Passover Feast.

Place the disciples around the table.

**Jesus said things that were not often said during this holiday.
During this feast he took break and broke it, and added to the story of Passover.**

Lift the bread and cup and place on the table.

He said the bread is his body, and his body would be broken. He took the cup saying the cup was his blood which would be a promise to remember him.

Stop! Take a moment of silence or prayer.

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**There is MORE to this story;
Today many people celebrate the Last Supper in church when they have communion together. Some churches do this every week because these stories are so important.**

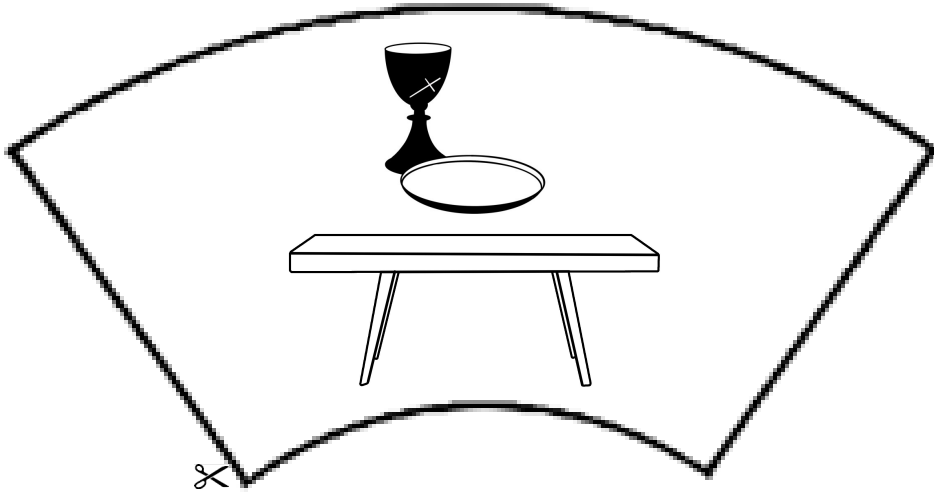
Others also celebrate Maundy Thursday as a part of Holy Week. This holiday helps us remember these special stories.

*Pause and sit in silence for a moment before
starting the wonder questions.*



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Puzzle Piece



Each week a new story has a new piece to place on the puzzle.

1. Cut out the Lent Wreath Piece.
2. Color it.
3. Place it on top of the corresponding foundation layer.

I wonder...

if Jesus' disciples/friends knew they were adding a new part to the story?

how the disciples felt? how Jesus felt?

if you know how YOU are a part of this story?

when and where you celebrate around the table?

1 Corinthians 11:23-25 (Common English Version)

I received a tradition from the Lord, which I also handed on to you: on the night on which he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took bread. After giving thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this to remember me." He did the same thing with the cup, after they had eaten, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Every time you drink it, do this to remember me."

Passover Info

Some worshipping communities share in the Jewish **Seder Meal** during Holy Week. Alongside matzah (cracker-type bread), each food and taste is used to tell the story of Moses leaving Egypt.

Passover Scripture: Exodus 12:11 "In this manner you shall eat it: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the Lord's Passover."

The Last Supper Scripture(s):

Luke 22:15 "He said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer."
Matthew 26:26, "While they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take and eat. This is my body."

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Pieces for Telling the Story

1. Grab Jesus, the road, previous character cutouts, and Jerusalem from the previous story.
2. Cut out table, communion, and other disciples.
3. Cut out Jerusalem and place road on the left.

