

Welcome to Families on Faith Adventures @ Home!

Youth Work team and the synod CYDOs and their equivalents.

We hope you will enjoy sharing a time of faith and fellowship together as a family through these stories, games, activities and prayers.

ing what it means to you and express that in words and action. They are not linked to the lectionary but can be used in any order as we explore all the different parts of the Bible.

The Walking the Way challenges are one way of continuing our walk with Jesus throughout the week.

These ideas are designed to be intergenerational - maybe even to be shared with members

The resources are based on our non-

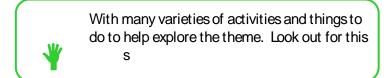
Adventures and Pilots, but have been modified to make them suitable for all families at home.

These activities are planned to be used together as a family and under adult supervision.

support than others. Stay safe and have fun!

This week we have also prepared a special service for Pentecost Sunday join us for worship via: <u>bit.ly/cyw-videos</u> (see advert within this pack for more information)

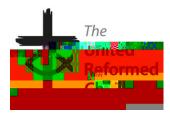












The Story of Pentecost Acts 2

(adapted from The Living Bible)

and the Day of Pentecost had now arrived. As the believers met together that day, suddenly there was a sound like the roaring of a mighty windstorm in the skies above them and it filled the house where they were meeting. Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on their heads. Everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in languages

Many godly Jews were in Jerusalem that day for the religious celebrations, having arrived from many nations. And when they heard the roaring in the sky above the house, crowds came running to see what it was all about and were stunned to hear their own languages being spoken by the disciples.

from Galilee, and yet we hear them speaking all the native languages of the lands where we were born! And we all hear these men telling in our own languages about the mighty

said.

Then Peter stepped forward with the eleven of you, visitors and residents of Jerusalem alike! Some of you are saying these men are A.M.! No!

What you see this morning was predicted centuries ago by the prophet Joel.

daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men dream dreams. Yes, the Holy Spirit shall come upon all my servants, men and women alike, and they shall prophesy. And I will cause strange demonstrations in the heavens and on the earth blood and fire and clouds of smoke; the sun shall turn black and the moon blood-red before that awesome Day of the Lord arrives. But anyone who asks for mercy from the Lord men of Israel, listen! God publicly endorsed Jesus of

Nazareth by doing tremendous miracles through him, as you well know. But God, following his prearranged plan, let you use the Roman government to nail him to the cross and murder him.



name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; then you also shall receive this gift, the Holy Spirit. For Christ promised him to each one of you who has been called by the Lord our Then Peter preached a long

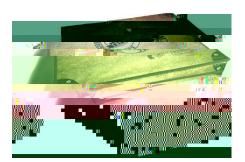
sermon, telling about Jesus and strongly urging all his listeners to save themselves from the evils of their nation. And those who believed Peter were baptized about three thousand in all!

sessions and at the Communion services and prayer meetings. A deep sense of awe was on them all, and the apostles did many miracles.

And all the believers met together constantly and shared everything with each other, selling their possessions and dividing with those in need. They worshiped together regularly at the Temple each day, met in small groups in homes for Communion, and shared their meals with great joy and thankfulness, praising God. The whole city was favourable to them, and each day God added to them all who were being saved.

Ideas to retell the story





What treasures can you find to put in the box for your little ones to explore?

Perhaps older children could help find the things.

Use a box or a bag to hold the treasures and encourage

week to go with the Bible story.

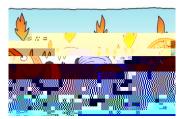


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Pray Together

Pentecost Spinners

You will need

card (large cereal box or recycled card is fine) paper and colouring pens scissors and glue and string or wool This will make two you could give one to a friend or a family member too!

Method

- < Out four circles of paper and two of card, all the same size.
- < Decorate your paper circles with bright colours to look like fire.
- < Stick the paper circles to both sides of your card.
- < Place two holes in the middle of your circles you may need a grown up to help you.
- < Thread your string / wool through the holes and fasten off.

Enjoy the energy your spinner makes and think of the energy in our story - how exciting it was for those who were there, and how exciting it is for us to be a friend of God! Amen

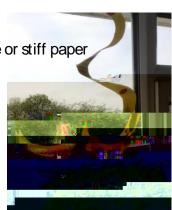
Spiralling flames!

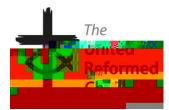
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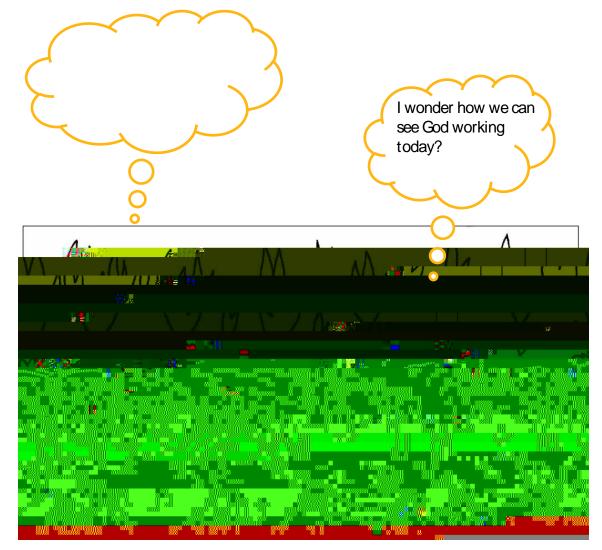
Spiral template (See activity Sheet 1a and 1b) Card large cereal box or recycled card is fine or stiff paper Colouring pens Scissors and string / thread / wool

Method

- < Copy the pattern or print it and stick onto your card.
- Colour lovely hot flame colours onto your spiral you could add a message e.g. God sent fire at Pentecost, or On Fire with God!
- < Out out your spiral.
- C Thread your string, thread, or wool through as a









Pentecost Mobile

You will need:

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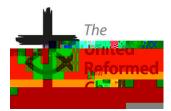




Our Walking the Way Challenge this time is

Our story is about new beginnings. Hang up your prayer spiral somewhere where you can see it each day. Spend a few moments each morning remembering that God is the God of new beginnings

power.



Adventurers Go!

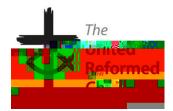
Why not send photos of your crafts, your treasure boxes, your Walking the Way challenges - or dress up to make a tableau of the Big Story and take a photo to send in.

Email your photos to: <u>lorraine.webb@urc.org.uk</u> with parental permission for them to be used in publicity and online URC social media.

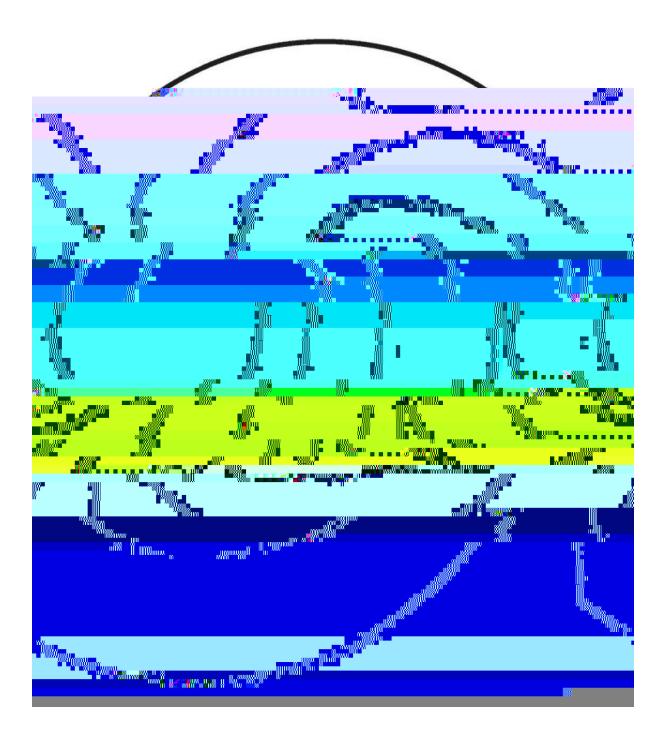
Alternatively, share them on our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/URCchildren.and.youth/

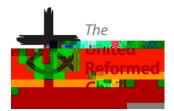
Remember you can find more resources on our website: <u>https://urc.org.uk/resources-for-children-and-youth</u>

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Activity Sheet 1a





Activity Sheet 1b

