### Collective Worship Plan –Term 5 2024 The Order of the Mustard Seed – Living a life

The Order of the Mustard Seed – Living a life following the example of Jesus







Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Collective Worship led by Open the Book	In class reflection and worship (see plans below)	In class reflection and worship (see plans below)	Collective Worship led by Vicar or Jean (Bishop's Visitor)	Celebration Assembly and worship together supported by
9:00 – 9:20 am Sutterton			9:00 – 9:20 am Sutterton	the Little FiSH
2:45 – 3:05 pm Swineshead			2:40 – 3:00 pm Swineshead	9:00 – 9:40 am Sutterton
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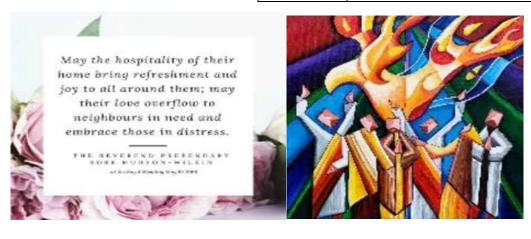
### The Church Year starts at Advent. In church different colours represent different seasons.

Purple is used for times of deep thinking and reflection. It is also sometimes used at adult funerals.	Red is used for saints' days who have died as martyrs and also represents the flame of the Holy Spirit.	Green is used to represent quiet growth during the time between festivals and seasons.	Gold used for special occasions.	White represents purity (as opposed to sin which is scarlet). It often represents a season of celebration rather than a day.	On these two days of the year the church is stripped bare of all decoration and flowers.
Used during Advent and Lent	Pentecost/Whitsun  Martyr's saints' days	Used throughout Ordinary Time.	Used for special days of celebration, such as Easter Day and Christmas	Used in the seasons of Easter and Christmas and for saints who were not martyred.	Good Friday and Holy Saturday

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Week 1	Resurrection appearances			
Week 2	Order of the Mustard Seed –			
	Taking the Gospel to the nations			
Week 3	Express God's mercy and justice			
Week 4	Practise hospitality			
Week 5	Live prayerfully			
	Pentecost			
Week 6	Celebrate creativity			





### Order of Worship - Gather, Engage, Respond and Send

- **♦** Altar is ready for worship coloured cloth to reflect liturgical calendar, cross, Bible, candle and any other relevant focal point. Music on entry and departure.
- **†** Calm, welcoming and reflective atmosphere.
- The Trinity candle ready for lighting: "We light these candles in the name of Father, Son and the Holy Spirit." "What did Jesus say?" "I am the light of the World."
- Prayer and Bible reading led by Little FiSH at the start of Celebration Assembly.

# Resurrection stories

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### Tuesday

Welcome back!

Jesus appears to the disciples

John 20: 19-29

Share the episode when Jesus suddenly appeared to his disciples for the first time since he had died in John 20:19-23.

When Jesus appeared to the disciples, the first thing he said to them was 'Peace with be with you'. I wonder why he said that. How do you think the disciples suddenly felt when Jesus appeared in their locked room? When they realised it was Jesus, they were filled with joy!

Jesus also showed them his hands and his side -why do you think he did this? Jesus then gave the disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit, so they could carry on doing his work on earth. This must have really encouraged the disciples.

It must have been wonderful for the disciples to see and spend time with Jesus again – I hope you are feeling the same - joy at seeing your friends again after the holidays.

### Wednesday

### Jesus appears to seven disciples - Breakfast on the beach

### John 21: 1-14

Share the time when Jesus appeared to his disciples at the beach by the Sea of Galilee. You might like to act it out as a class.

I wonder what you notice about this episode.

I wonder why you think the disciples might not have realised it was Jesus. What difference did the miracle catch of fish make to the disciples?

Jesus knew what his friends, the disciples, needed. After Jesus died, the disciples, who were fishermen, had gone back to their boats instead of carrying on with sharing the Gospel message with others. Without Jesus leading them, they were feeling lost and confused. Jesus knew that they needed reminding of all God could do and who Jesus was. Jesus also knew they needed food to eat, friendship and support.

I wonder what they chatted about around the charcoal fire that morning.

Christians know that Jesus knows what they need, he offers them practical help, love and friendship just as he did to the disciples.

I wonder if you need any help or support today.

### Hymn

### Power in Me

Power in me (voutube.com)

### Prayer of the week

Dear God, thank you for the rest and fun we had over the Easter holidays and for bringing us safely back to school. We ask that your peace will be with us all as we get back into the routine of school. Thank you for our teachers and all those who help us with our learning.

### Amen

### Bible reading

John 20: 19-23 Jesus Appears to His Disciples

<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup> Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me. I am sending you." <sup>22</sup> And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

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### Tuesday

The parable of the mustard seed -

Introducing The Order of the Mustard Seed.

Matthew 13: 31-32

Read the parable or watch this video clip together, which tells the story of the parable of the mustard seed.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vXHVINNNJSk

I wonder why Jesus told this parable.

This term we are going to be exploring the vision that a special group of Christians created to live their lives by. This group called themselves the Order of the Mustard Seed. I wonder why you think they called themselves this. (Keep thinking about this through our worship)

Explain to the children how the Order started.- just a small group of friends who, through their prayerful obedience (they prayed continuously for 100 days 24/7) and compassionate acts, began to spread God's word and love around Europe and the world.

They had three promises they lived by:

- To be true to Christ
- To be kind to people
- To take the gospel to the nations

I wonder why they chose these promises to live by. So, why do you think they were called the Order of the Mustard Seed? (From small things, huge things grow!)

### Wednesday

Taking the Gospel to the nations

Luke 9: 1-6

This week we are going to look at the first of the promises the Order of the Mustard Seed - Take the Gospel to the nations.

I wonder what this actually means. What does the word Gospel mean? (Good news)

Read Luke 9: 1-6. What did Jesus tell his disciples to do? (cure people, drive out bad things, heal the sick and proclaim the kingdom of God)

### Hymn

### Lean on Me

https://youtu.be/Nx\_D0VTHBag?si=uvVm5mVXciolufIC

### Prayer of the week

Based on the Order of the Mustard Seed daily prayer)

Father God, help me live this day to the full, following the example you set.

Jesus help me to give myself away to others, being kind to everyone I meet.

Spirit, help me to love the lost, be hospitable and stand up for truth and justice.

Amen

### Bible reading

Matthew 13: 31-32

### The Parables of the Mustard Seed and the Yeast

<sup>31</sup> He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. <sup>32</sup> Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches."

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St Francis of Assisi said "Preach the Gospel at all times and when necessary use words."

I wonder what you think he meant by this. I wonder how someone could preach the gospel without words. Many Christians believe that people need to 'see' Jesus through the actions of people; being generous, providing help and support etc

Jesus was clear when he said that he wanted the whole world to hear his Gospel message. There are Christians worshipping all around the world and sharing the Gospel with their communities following this mission from Jesus.

The Salvation Army has churches in 131 countries around the world, working to transform the lives of all communities.

The Salvation Army began working in Burkina Faso in 2018 and is growing every week. Watch this video of some of the work they are doing to bring the Gospel to the nations.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wcvm XPnSal Salvation Army - Stirring things up!

I wonder what difference these projects have on the lives of those involved and their families. How is taking the Gospel (good news) to the nations?

William Booth, who started the Salvation Army in 1878 said "You cannot warm the heart of people with God's love if they have an empty stomach and cold feet."

I wonder what you think about this quote. Do you agree?

Reflect: I wonder what I might do to share good news with others like William Booth suggested.

# Express the mercy and justice of God

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Tuesday

Express God's mercy and justice - Go to 'bat' for the defenceless

Information about Mercy Ships

https://www.mercyships.org.uk/who-we-are/vision/

Mercy Ships is a faith-based international development organisation that deploys hospital ships to some of the poorest countries in the world, delivering vital, free healthcare to people in desperate need. This video clip shows and explains what they do.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\_continue=192&v=czdyWKFfHXo&feature=emb\_logo

I wonder what you think of their work. I wonder why they are called Mercy ships. They are bringing God's compassion and kindness to those who couldn't afford to pay for help. I wonder what difference these ships make to the lives of those they serve I wonder how these ships and all those who work on them are expressing God's mercy and justice. I wonder how they arey living out the teachings of Jesus.

This clip shows the difference the medical team made to Ravette.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7rPaEPPtAx4

I wonder how the doctors and nurses on the ship are following the example of Jesus in this passage. wonder why the nurses and doctors feel so passionately about volunteering and serving on these ships I wonder what you might like to do as a response to what you have seen today.

Pray together for the work of the Mercy Ships, thank God for all they have and continue to do. Pray to for the NHS and how fortunate we are to have such a wonderful health care system.

# Wednesday Express God's mercy and justice Stand up for the homeless



I wonder how it makes you feel when you see homeless people on the streets. There are many people and organisations working to support all those who do not have a home of their home.

Hymn

Broken Vessel (Amazing Grace) - Hillsong Worship

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fiyYoe678yI

### **Prayer of the Week**

Great God,

Who makes the sun to rise, and opens the heavens Hear the cry of the people

who sow in hope for rain, but reap only despair

Hear the cry of the people

seeking shelter from the storm, their hopes and homes submerged

Hear the cry of the people,

when creation is hitting back, with rage and resistance Give us hope, grant us salvation,

Give us a new relationship with creation

Amen

**Bible reading** 

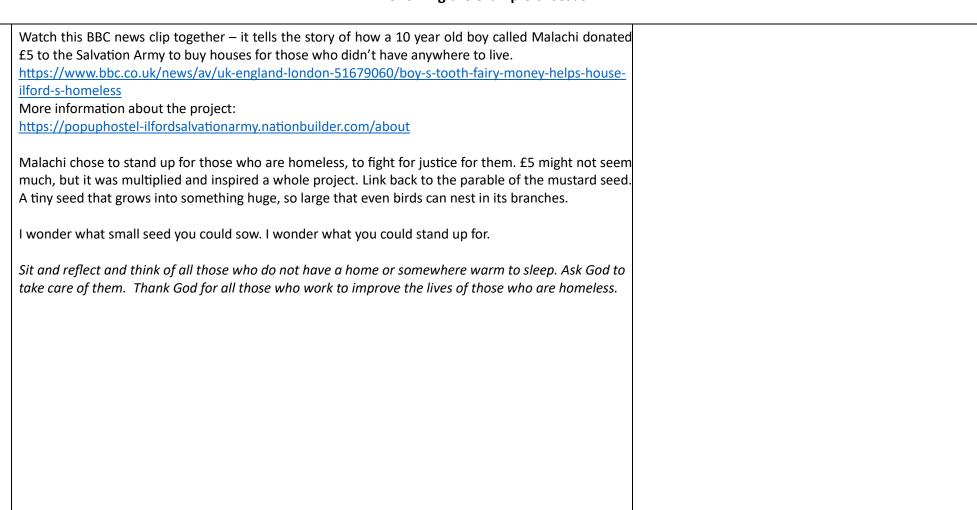
Matthew 9: 35-36

### The Workers Are Few

<sup>35</sup> Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. <sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Week 3

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# Week 4 Practise hospitality

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### **Tuesday**

### 'Being hospitable to all - even strangers

Between 1939 and 1945, thousands of prisoners of war were brought to Yorkshire's shores, cities and villages. Thanks to the friendship, love and hospitality some found there, many never returned home. These are the forgotten stories of some of the "enemies" who found friends in ordinary Yorkshire folk.

https://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/interactive/yorkshire-prisoner-of-war-camps#main-page-section-5

The stories within this article tell of how the people of Yorkshire opened up their homes to complete strangers, who were supposed to be their enemies.

They shared their Christmas dinners with them and befriended them, often sitting side by side in Church.

I wonder why you think those living in Yorkshire did this. I wonder what difference you think it made to both groups of people.

The writer of the book of Hebrews made it clear that followers of Jesus should be practising hospitality. Hebrews 13:3 says 'don't forget about those in prison.'

I wonder how the people of Yorkshire were living out these teachings during WW2. No one asked them to care for the prisoners of war, so I wonder why they did.

### Wednesday

### **Practise hospitality**

Hospitality: the friendly, generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors or strangers

In the Old Testament, Abraham and Sarah were visited by some strangers. Read the passage together. I wonder how they showed hospitality to them.

Genesis 18: 1b-8 'One day about noon..'

Discuss together the many things they did to be hospitable. I wonder how we can learn from the example of Abraham and Sarah.

I wonder what hospitality looks like in reality. I wonder what it means to be generous. I wonder what it might look like here in school, at home, out in the street. I wonder if you think there is a difference between being hospitable and practising hospitality. Is one easier than the other?

### Hymn

### What a Beautiful Name/Tremble – *Anthem Lights*

What a Beautiful Name/Tremble - Anthem Lights (Lyrics) (youtube.com)

### **Prayer of the Week**

Dear God, help us to be your hands and feet in the world, ready to serve and help anyone who might need support. Give us eyes to see where compassion, kindness and friendship are needed. Help us to pay it forward whenever we see the opportunity to do so.

#### Amen

### Bible reading Hebrews 13:2

Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

# week 3 Live prayerfully and Pentecost

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### Tuesday

Live prayerfully - What is prayer? Connecting with our senses. Thankfulness and praise

For people of faith, prayer is an opportunity to communicate with God as part of a two-way relationship. This Bible verse reminds them:

Jeremiah 29: 12 Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TTW5zrYapCM

Watch this video together - what things do these young people pray for?

I wonder if prayer is important to them.

There are many different ways to pray. We are going to be exploring some different prayer practices that will help us to understand and explore prayer.

Sit quietly for a short period of time. What did they notice - see, hear, touch? What did they notice about others? Allow them to turn and speak to someone about what they noticed in this time or another moment that day.

For Christians, prayer is about noticing things and then responding to this. This can call them to thank God, praise God, ask for help or bring people before God so that they can be comforted or supported. I wonder how you felt about the things you noticed today.

### Wednesday

### Pentecost

Acts 2: 1-13

Read, act out or watch this video clip describing the events of the Pentecost, when the gift of the Holy Spirit arrived. https://youtu.be/xtokHQOmFu0

Use the story to discuss what it must have been like when the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples. It probably was an amazing scene – I wonder what you think. I wonder what difference the Holy Spirit made to the disciples and those visiting Jerusalem.

Before Jesus went back to heaven, he promised his disciples a gift - the Holy Spirit - that would bring them power from heaven. (Luke 24: 49). When the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit, they went from being frightened, confused, and lost, to people filled with God's courage, strength, and words. The Holy Spirit enabled them to continue to share God's message with others in a powerful and life-changing way.

### Hymn

### **Colours of Day**

https://youtu.be/SBmKXYXsvp0?si=2ML-gUu37E9WrUBY

### **Prayer of the Week**

Dear God, thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit and the difference it made to the disciples and all those in Jerusalem. Thank you that the Holy Spirit can be a gift for everyone. Help us to be people who are courageous and generous like the disciples. **Amen** 

### **Bible reading**

### Psalm 9:1

I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

# **Week 6** Celebrate creativity

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Celebrate creativity to His glory Celebrating God through art

Share this poem with the children:

Take that love by Caroline Hope

Take that love
and turn it
turn it into poetry
turn it into colour, canvas and paint.

Take that love transform it transform it into landscape and light transform it into ten thousand halleluiahs

How does Caroline Hope express her worship to God? Christians know that God is a creator God – they only need to look at the beauty of the world to see that. (Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God **created** the heavens and the earth).

Many Christians follow this example and create beautiful things for others to enjoy and create them as their worship to God.

Cheerfully Given was started to support Christian artists, designers as they pursue their creative calling, and as a resource for the wider church to buy design-led Christian gifts, stationery and homeware that reflect the life found in Jesus <a href="https://www.cheerfullygiven.com">www.cheerfullygiven.com</a>

Explore some of the crafts that these artists have created. I wonder how these crafts show how they feel about God.



Wednesday

Celebrate each other – what are your gifts/ talents?

Genesis 1:27

God created mankind in his own image.

Hymns

This Little Light of Mine

"This Little Light Of Mine" (youtube.com)

**Prayer of the Week** 

Dear God,

Thank you for all you have created that inspires so many people to be creative.

Help us to see the beauty in the ordinary and may this encourage us to be creative and thankful.

Thank you that you created each of us to be creative in different ways.

Amen

Bible reading

Isaiah 64:8

Yet you, LORD, are our Father.

We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand.

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### Ephesians 2:10

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Share these Bible texts with the children. I wonder what these verses make you think about.

Watch this song together: I am amazing by Philippa Hanna.

https://youtu.be/fVNKj0fbMiU

After watching it, invite the children to think about how they are amazing.

I wonder what you would write on your chalk board.

You might like to give each child a whiteboard so they can write their: I am amazing because ...

You might like to play the track again as the children take part in this reflective activity. Invite the children to share what they have written.

Find out more here: Let everything you create be for God's glory and the world's good.

https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/creativity-matters-christ/

https://greenchristian.org.uk/resources/arts/visual-arts/