

Yr 2 Sunday of the Paralytic Lesson, John 5:1-15

Opening Prayer: Sing with great joy!

Christ is Risen from the Dead, Trampling Death by Death and to those in the Tombs giving life! 3X

Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю, смерть подолав, і тим що у гробах життя дарував! 3X

Gospel: [John 5:1-15](#) – Click here to read the Gospel, or listen to it here:

https://www.ancientfaith.com/podcasts/letusattend/may_6_2012_john_51_15_told_for_younger_children

Lesson: We can be healers just like Jesus

The man in the story couldn't help himself, could he? Can you imagine how long he waited at the pool to be healed?! There are lots of people that are sick for a long time aren't there? Discuss people that the children might know that are sick, at home, in the hospital or in nursing homes. They all need someone to help them just like the man in the story.

When we visit people who are sick, we can help heal them by showing them Jesus who is in our hearts through the loving things we do. Sometimes healing them doesn't mean curing their sickness, but it means healing them from their loneliness, or sadness about being sick. It means healing their heart. We can be just like Jesus and "heal" people by loving them; taking care of them, visiting them, hugging them, sending them cards, praying for them, calling them, talking to them over the phone or Facetime or Skyping them. We can help people do things that are difficult for them, like taking out the garbage, unloading the dishwasher etc. Allow the children to think of ways that they can be loving and thus a "healing presence" to others that they know who are sick.

Craft: Seed packet gift craft

In Church: With your teacher or parent, light a candle and pray for someone who is sick or in special need of prayers.