March 31-April 2
Theme: Easter

Jesus Time:
1. Read Zacchaeus from 'The Story Bible' page 383
2. Watch the story of Zacchaeus from God's Story: God's Story Youtube
3. We have been singing Be Strong and Courageous at school and the children are loving it.
   Here is a video of the artist performing it with a group of children, sing it with your child.
   Be Strong and Courageous
4. We love the God is Great CDs by Jennie Williamson. This is another one of the songs that the children know. I Am Unique
5. If you would like, Mrs. Moje videoed her Jesus Time and posted it on the school library page. This would be another way for your child to hear the story. Mrs. Moje Jesus Time

Books:
1. God Gave Us Easter- This has a little intro at the beginning, you may want to fast forward.
2. Pete the Cat: Big Easter Adventure- This is not what Easter is all about, but it's a fun Pete the Cat story.
3. The Berenstain Bears: and the Easter Story- This is another great way to hear the Easter Story
4. Zacchaeus and Jesus- This is my weekly read aloud to the children. Enjoy the video of me, Mrs. Maser reading the book. I will try and do at least one read aloud a week.

Craft/Project:
1. Salt Painted Easter Egg- Take out the piece of paper and make an Egg or other design with white Elmer's glue. Add salt on to the glue. Allow your children to paint the salt with water colors and watch the paint spread.
2. Zacchaeus Tree- In your packet there is a paper plate, paper Zacchaeus and a popsicle stick. Have your child paint, color, or glue green paper to the plate to make it all green. Attach the popsicle stick to make it look like a tree trunk. Have the color Zacchaeus and put him in the tree. Allow this to help teach the bible story this week.
3. Jelly Bean Prayer (Optional)- I had plans to do this with the children at school. If you can it is a fun thing to remember the Easter season. Take a bag of colored jelly beans and pick out one of each color. Look in your packet for the poem of what each color stands for and which colors to use.
4. Jelly Bean Building (optional)- Allow your children to use jelly beans and toothpicks to build. Poke the ends of the toothpicks in jelly beans and continue to build. Encourage them to build different shapes, letters, and buildings. Encourage them to build up and see how tall they can build.

Letter Practice: Letter W Practice
**Large Motor:**

1. **Easter Eggs Movement** - Fill Easter Eggs with different activities for your children. Have them pick a number and an activity and place them in the eggs. (5 jumping jacks, 9 toe touches, 2 hops, etc.) Have children open the eggs to keep them moving.

2. **Easter Egg Name Hunt** - Place one letter of your child’s name in each egg. Have your children find the eggs and place the letters in order of their name.
   *If you do not have Easter Eggs available find another fun way to hide these around the house.*

3. **Walk** - Enjoy the nice days. Take your children for a walk around the neighborhood. Ask them what they can hear and see that they are thankful for that God made. Getting children outside is so important, especially to keep germs away.

**Snack:** I will add one fun idea for each week

1. **Zacchaeus Tree** - Place green grapes in the shape of the top of the tree. Add pretzel sticks for the trunk of the tree.

2. **Bunny Cheese Stick** - Use a cheese stick and draw a bunny face on the wrapper. Add paper ears and a tail for a fun looking snack.