Children's Church at home 26 April 2020

Acts 2:36-41 and Luke 24:13-35

Craft ingredients: lightweight card, maybe a cereal packet, or a paper plate or stiff paper, a tennis racket or hockey stick, a clothes hanger, a hole punch, 2 drying up cloths, a peg, scissors, pens or paint, Sellotape, Pritt stick. I also used marker pen, an egg box and foil, but those are optional!

Ask the children if they remember last Sunday's story: it was about Thomas, who had to wait to see Jesus alive again, but then recognised that he was (is) indeed God.

Introduction: A joke!

Will you remember me in 5 minutes? Will you remember me in an hour? Will you remember me tomorrow? Will you remember me next week? Knock, knock.

Who's there?

I thought you said you'd remember me!

Story: Read about how Jesus appeared to two people as they were walking along. Luke 24:13-35. It's not in the Lion First Bible; the Message version is very readable!

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2024:13-35&version=MSG

Video: https://youtu.be/MBZi6QZKOVU this one is in rhyme!

Quiz: How many people were walking along? What were they talking about? What did the stranger explain to them? When they got to the village of Emmaus, and the stranger was about to continue his journey, what did the two friends do? When did they recognise him? What did they do afterwards?

Think: Why do you think the two friends didn't recognise Jesus at first? How do you think they felt when they did realise who the stranger was? What would you do if you had some really exciting news?

Activity: Which are your best knock knock jokes? Please could you send them?

Craft: see the video. I promise the tennis racket or hockey stick, hanger and drying up cloths will come to no harm!

Prayer: Jesus, it's such great news that you are still alive and here to help us! Just like the friends in the story, we may have trouble recognising you. We might meet you, or one of your angels, or people we know might speak your words to us. Help us to know you better and always rely on you. Amen.