



Who Is Alive?

Jesus Is Alive!

Oyster Bay Small Group Guide
Week 1 • April 5/6/7
Side 1 • Small Group # 1
15 minutes



WELCOME

Welcome each kid by name.

Ask:

- *Raise your hand if you like to play with playdough.*
- *Raise your hand if you like to play with blocks.*



BIBLE

Give each kid a Bible.

Say:

- *The Bible is like a big "I love you!" from God! As we read today's story, let's wrap our arms around our body to give ourselves a big hug!*

Read:

- Jesus Is Risen!: Page 453

Review:

- Turn to page 454 and discuss with your Group what the angel looked like. (Ex: Was the angel shining bright? Can you imagine what they might look like? How tall do you think the angel was?)



PRAY

Pray: *Jesus came back to life just like he said he would, and that's why we celebrate Easter! Jesus is alive! It is a very happy day because Jesus is alive! Let's pray. That is how we talk to him. Dear Jesus, thank you for coming back to life to be with us forever. We love you. Amen.*



ACTIVITY

Allow each kid to choose a Musical Instrument or Wand With Streamer.

- **Say:** *Jesus asked us to help him spread the good news that he is alive forever. We're going to practice sharing and celebrating that good news.*
- *When I tell you to, everyone is going to close their eyes. We (the leaders) are going to move somewhere else.*
- *When you open your eyes, you are going to find us and run over to us, waving your wands and say, "Jesus Is Alive". Ready?*

Play several rounds, and have the kids close their eyes after each round while the leaders move to a new place.

- Be sure to celebrate with the kids after they tell you the good news.

Continue the activity until Large Group.



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Week 1 • April 5/6/7

Side 2 • Snack Time

10 minutes



SNACK TIME

Provide snack to kids while they are seated around a table.

- Review the Bottom Line
- Say the Memory Verse for your Group

Remain seated around the table until Parent Pick Up.



TAKE HOME

Encourage kids to invite their friends to join them at LCBC using the kid Easter Invites.

- Easter Invites at the door during pickup



PRO TIP

Snack time isn't just an opportunity for kids to enjoy yummy goldfish, it is a chance for them to begin to learn what it means to sit together in community and grow in their faith! Prioritize keeping kids with their group and connecting with their friends.

**I am alive forever and ever.
Revelation 1:18**



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Week 2 • April 12/13/14
Side 1 • Small Group # 1
15 minutes



WELCOME

Welcome each kid by name.

Ask:

- *Raise your hand if you like to play with Legos.*
- *Raise your hand if you like to build blanket forts.*



BIBLE

Give each kid a Bible.

Say:

- *God proved how wonderful he thinks we are by doing something huge. Let's hold our hands over our hearts as we listen to this story because it is all about how big and powerful God's love is!*

Read:

- Jesus Is Risen!: Page 453

Review:

- Turn to page 453 and talk with your Group about what the stone looked like. (Ex: How big do you think it was? How heavy? Was it as big as a car?)
- Turn to the next page and discuss what happened to the stone. (It was rolled away by the Angel)



PRAY

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ACTIVITY

Take out the Jesus Is Alive Coloring Sheet.

- Have kids color Jesus' clothing with their favorite color.
- As they color, review the story with your Group.

Continue the activity until Large Group.



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Side 2 • Snack Time

10 minutes



SNACK TIME

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- Review the Bottom Line
- Say the Memory Verse for your Group

Remain seated around the table until Parent Pick Up.



TAKE HOME

Encourage kids to invite their friends to join them at LCBC using the kid Easter Invites.

- Easter Invites at the door during pickup
- Jesus Is Alive Coloring Sheet from Small Group



PRO TIP

Use Snack Time to help kids think about who they want to invite to Easter. Some toddlers may share the names of their siblings, parents, or grandparents. Celebrate these small wins. It lets kids know that they can tell anyone about Jesus!

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Oyster Bay Small Group Guide
Week 3 • Easter Gatherings
Side 1 • Small Group # 1
15 minutes



Welcome each kid by name.

Ask:

- Raise your hand if you like to eat Easter candy.
- Raise your hand if you like to look for Easter eggs.



Give each kid a Bible.

Say:

- God proved how wonderful he thinks we are by doing something huge. Let's hold our hands over our hearts as we listen to this story because it is all about how big and powerful God's love is!

Read:

- Jesus Is Risen!: Page 453

Review:

- Turn to page 456 and discuss what the angel of the Lord told the women. (Ex: don't be afraid, Jesus is alive, go and tell everyone!)



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Take out the Red Solo Cups and spread them out in the center of your Group flipped upside down.

- Show kids the Bendable Jesus. Hide him under one of the cups.
- Slide the cups around, mixing them up. Then, have your Group vote on where they think Jesus is.
- When they find Jesus, blow bubbles and have your Group shout "Jesus is alive!"

Continue the activity until Large Group.



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TAKE HOME

Send each child home with bubbles. Prompt them to remember and celebrate that Jesus is alive as they play at home.

- Small Bubbles



PRO TIP

Kids have lots of Easter traditions that they may want to talk about. If kids share about their big chocolate bunny or fun egg hunt, get excited and listen! This lets kids know that their experiences are important, and they are cared for by their Leaders and church.

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Week 4 • April 26/27/28
Side 1 • Small Group # 1
15 minutes



WELCOME

Welcome each kid by name.

Ask:

- *Raise your hand if you like to build a wall with rocks.*
- *Raise your hand if you like to build a fort with sticks.*



BIBLE

Give each kid a Bible.

Say:

- *God proved how wonderful he thinks we are by doing something huge. Let's hold our hands over our hearts as we listen to this story because it is all about how big and powerful God's love is!*

Read:

- Jesus Is Risen!: Page 453

Review:

- Turn to page 458 and discuss what happened when the women saw Jesus. (Ex: they worshiped him, they were happy and surprised, they went and told everyone Jesus was alive)



PRAY

Pray: *Jesus came back to life just like he said he would, and that's why we celebrate Easter! Jesus is alive! It is a very happy day because Jesus is alive! Let's pray. That is how we talk to him. Dear Jesus, thank you for coming back to life to be with us forever. We love you. Amen.*



ACTIVITY

Take out your Parachute and lay it on the ground in the center of your Group. Have your Group circle up and grab a side of the Parachute.

- Place the Red Heart Squishies in the center of the Parachute.
- **Say:** *Jesus loves us so much! When one of the Hearts falls out of our parachute, we will shout, "Jesus Is Alive"*
- Then, place the Heart back in the Parachute and continue playing.

Continue the activity until Large Group.



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Week 4 • April 26/27/28

Side 2 • Snack Time

10 minutes



SNACK TIME

Provide snack to kids while they are seated around a table.

- Review the Bottom Line
- Say the Memory Verse for your Group

Remain seated around the table until Parent Pick Up.



TAKE HOME

As kids leave, ask them, "Who is alive?" and prompt them to share the Bottom Line!



PRO TIP

Keep kids engaged as parents arrive by making it fun and interactive! Bring out the crayons and butcher block paper and have them trace your hand as you talk about Jesus' big love, count the number of kids at the table with loud and quiet voices before saying "Jesus is Alive!", or pass a ball around the table as you sing your favorite worship song!

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