**A Sunday service for families – Fourth Sunday after Trinity**

**Our theme this week is Jesus the Teacher**

**Your activity today: Good teachers have to be able to communicate clearly. Try this activity to see how hard it is.**

**Grown-up 1 whispers a shortish sentence to child 1 (make sure no-one else can hear)**

**Child 1 whispers to next person, and so on round the group.**

**When the message gets back to grown-up 1, they say it out loud, and then say the sentence that they originally said. Are the two sentences the same? Was this good communication?**

**If you have a candle you could light it now**

**Let’s say together:**

**Lord Jesus, as we think about your work as a teacher, we give thanks for the work of all teachers, and we pray that you will be with them as they plan the return to school in September. Amen.**

**Song:** [**I**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HCvYNpzjelg)**f I were a butterfly** [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o6WeVBHtL9o**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o6WeVBHtL9o)

**Here is this week’s bible story - it is one of the stories Jesus told to teach his listeners about God. It is often called The Prodigal Son.**

[**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPt-XJM9daM**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPt-XJM9daM)

**Now have a look at this week’s chat mat – colour it in, do the activities & talk about today’s story.**

**Let us pray**

 **Lord Jesus, help us to learn from your teaching, so that we may show others how to live a christian life.**

 **Amen.**

***Let us say together***

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed is your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

**Song: Walk in the light**

[**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HCvYNpzjelg**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HCvYNpzjelg)

**Let’s say The Grace together, thinking about our friends at church, and about all who love us and look after us.**

**The grace of our lord Jesus Christ**

**and the love of God**

**And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit**

**Be with us all evermore**

**Amen**

***Blow out your candle***