

The Lord be with you!

This Sunday is Pentecost Twenty-two and the color is still green.

This week we continue with the story of Moses. How God was with his People as they went out of Egypt, out of slavery into freedom through the water of the Red Sea. This is the story of the first Passover. If we were in the classroom, we would share matzo. We could taste the flat bread that the People made so quickly. We could taste the story.

Have a good week. Be safe.

I miss you!

EXODUS

Moses had grown up in the palace of the Pharaoh and he saw that his people, the People of God, were slaves. They had to do what the Pharaoh said. They had to live where the Pharaoh said. They had to get up when the Pharaoh said. They had to go to bed when the Pharaoh said. They had to eat what the Pharaoh said. They had to do the work the Pharaoh said. They had to do everything the Pharaoh said. They were slaves.

Moses went to the Pharaoh and said, "Let my People go." The Pharaoh said, "No!"

Moses went back many times to tell the Pharaoh to let the People go, but the Pharaoh always said, "No."

Many strange things happened in the land, which worried the Pharaoh, but he always said, "No." Then something terrible happened. The oldest boy in each Egyptian family, even the family of the Pharaoh, died.

The oldest boys in the families of the People of God did not die, because the People of God made a mark on the doors of their houses. The Angel of Death passed over them.

When Moses went back this time and said, "Let my People go," the Pharaoh said, "Yes."

The People began to hurry to get everything ready, They packed all they could carry and they baked bread for the journey. There was no time to let the bread rise and get big, it was flat.

The People went as fast as they could. They were afraid the Pharaoh would change his mind. As they hurried across the desert, they heard the sound they did not want to hear. The ground began to shake, and the sound of the horses pulling the chariots of the Pharaoh's army was like thunder.

The army of the Pharaoh pushed the People against the water of the Red Sea. They did not know what to do.

God came so close to Moses and Moses came so close to God that he knew how to take the People through the water into freedom.

When all the people were safe on the other side, the water closed behind them and they were free! Their army of the Pharaoh could not get them.

Now all the People were free on the other side and Miriam led the dancing.

I wonder what part of this story you like best?

I wonder what part of this story is most important?