



Diocese of Athabasca

Sunday School Lesson Plan – Sunday, May 10, 2026

Here's a **Sunday School Lesson Plan** for young children (ages 4–8) and some activities for older children using the **Revised Common Lectionary readings** for **May 10, 2026 – Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year A)**. Bible Verses: Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:7-18; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21; Preface of Easter

✨ Sunday School Lesson Plan

Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 10

Lesson Title

“We Are Never Alone”

Theme

Jesus promises to be with us through the Holy Spirit.

Big Idea

Even though we cannot see Jesus, **He is always with us.**

Lesson Focus for Kids

Children will understand that:

- Jesus loves them
 - Jesus promises to stay with them
 - The Holy Spirit helps them feel God's presence
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Scripture Readings (Kid-Friendly Language)

Acts 17:22–31 (Simplified)

Paul tells people that God made everything and is close to everyone—even if they don't know Him yet.

Psalms 66:7–18 (Simplified)

God watches over us and listens when we pray.

1 Peter 3:13–22 (Simplified)

Do what is good and trust God, even when things are hard.

John 14:15–21 (Focus Passage)

Jesus says:

“If you love me, follow my ways. I will ask God to send a Helper—the Holy Spirit—to be with you forever. You are not alone.”

Welcome & Opening Prayer (Circle Time)

Gather children in a circle.

Welcome Prompt:

“Can you think of a time you felt alone? Today we will learn that Jesus promises we are never alone!”

Opening Prayer:

“Dear God,
Thank you for loving us.
Thank you for sending Jesus.
Help us to remember that you are always with us.
Amen.”

Memory Verse

John 14:18 (Simplified)

“I will not leave you alone. I will come to you.”

Action Idea:

- “leave you alone” → shake head
- “come to you” → arms open wide

Bible Story Time

Storytelling Version:

After Jesus was getting ready to go back to heaven, His friends were worried.

They asked, “Who will help us? Who will be with us?”

Jesus said:

“Don’t worry! I will send you a Helper—the Holy Spirit. You won’t see Him, but He will always be with you.”

The Holy Spirit helps us:

- Feel brave
- Remember Jesus’ words
- Know that God loves us

Interactive Questions:

- Have you ever felt alone?
 - Who helps you feel safe?
 - How does it feel to know Jesus is always with you?
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Craft / Activity

“Holy Spirit Helper Dove” Craft

Supplies:

- Paper plates or cardstock
- White paper (for dove shape)
- Glue
- Crayons/markers
- String

Instructions:

1. Cut out a dove shape
2. Write: “God is always with me”
3. Decorate with bright colors or “light rays”
4. Hang it up as a reminder

Game

“Helper Tag”

- One child is “it” (the helper)
- When tagged, children freeze
- Another child can “help” by tagging them free

Lesson Tie-In:

“The Holy Spirit helps us—just like in the game!”

Song Suggestions

- “Jesus Loves Me”
 - “This Little Light of Mine”
 - “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands”
 - “Spirit of the Living God” (simple version)
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Snack Suggestions

“Helper Snack Packs”

- Crackers + cheese
- Fruit cups
- Juice or water

Optional Tie-In:

Talk about how food helps our bodies—just like the Holy Spirit helps our hearts.

Wrap-Up & Reflection

Ask:

- Who did Jesus promise to send?
- Are we ever alone?
- When can we talk to God?

Key Reminder:

“Anytime you feel scared or alone, you can talk to God—and He is with you.”

Closing Prayer

“Dear Jesus,
Thank you for loving us.
Thank you for sending the Holy Spirit to help us.
Help us remember we are never alone.
Amen.”

Take-Home Idea

Send home:

- Dove craft
- Memory verse card

Family Note:

Encourage families to remind children:

“Jesus is always with you—at home, school, and everywhere.”

Teacher Notes

- Keep explanations simple: “Helper” = Holy Spirit
- Use repetition: “We are never alone”
- Be sensitive—some children may feel loneliness deeply
- Encourage sharing but don’t force it
- Use calm reassurance and warmth

Other Idea Links

In searching for ideas for the lessons I sometimes come up with things that I choose not to add at this time but maybe you will find them helpful if the previous information is not what you are looking for. You can click on the links below to see more ideas.

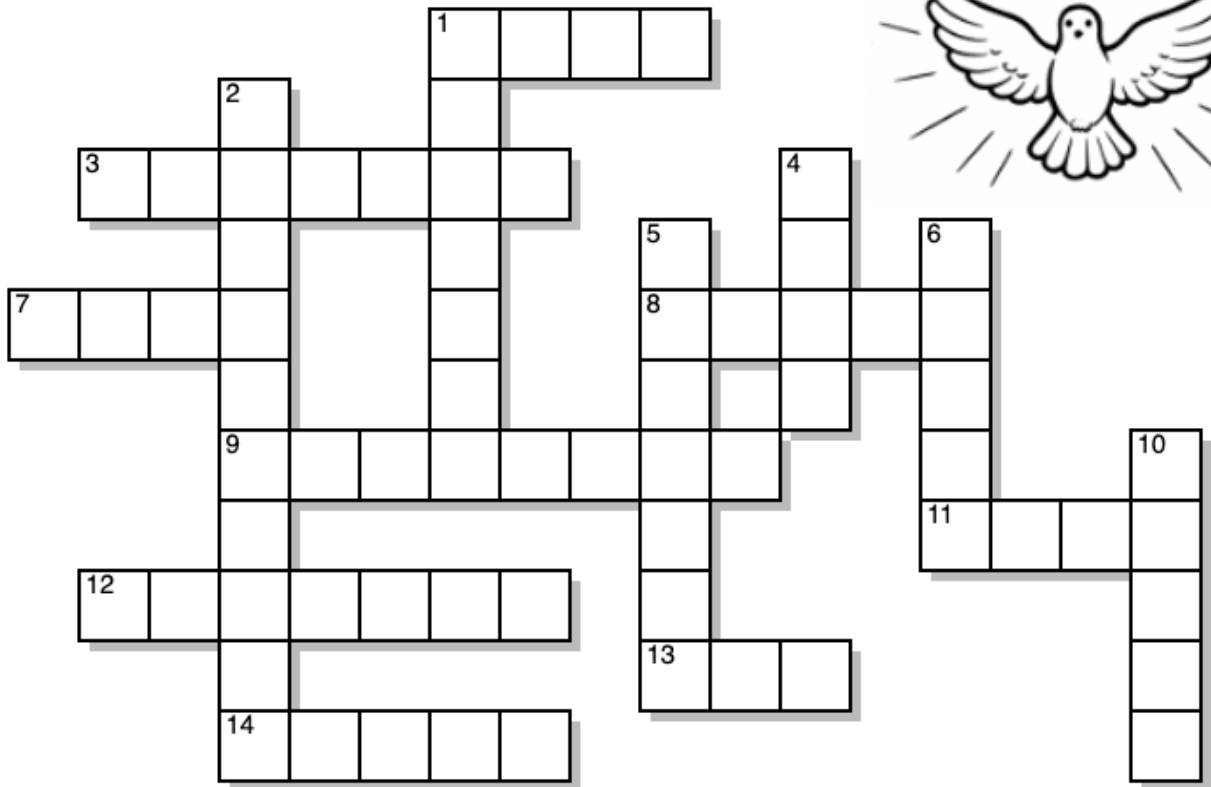
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ACROSS

- 1 Devotion
- 3 Vow
- 7 Talk to God
- 8 Isolated
- 9 Proximity
- 11 Secure
- 12 Always
- 13 View
- 14 Rely on

DOWN

- 1 Hears
- 2 The Helper
- 4 Just
- 5 Observes
- 6 God's Son
- 10 Not ever



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P S E E M G S J B H
R S Y S O E E A O V
E E F O I S N L F S
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Never
Alone
Holy Spirit
Promise
Jesus
See
Love
Safe

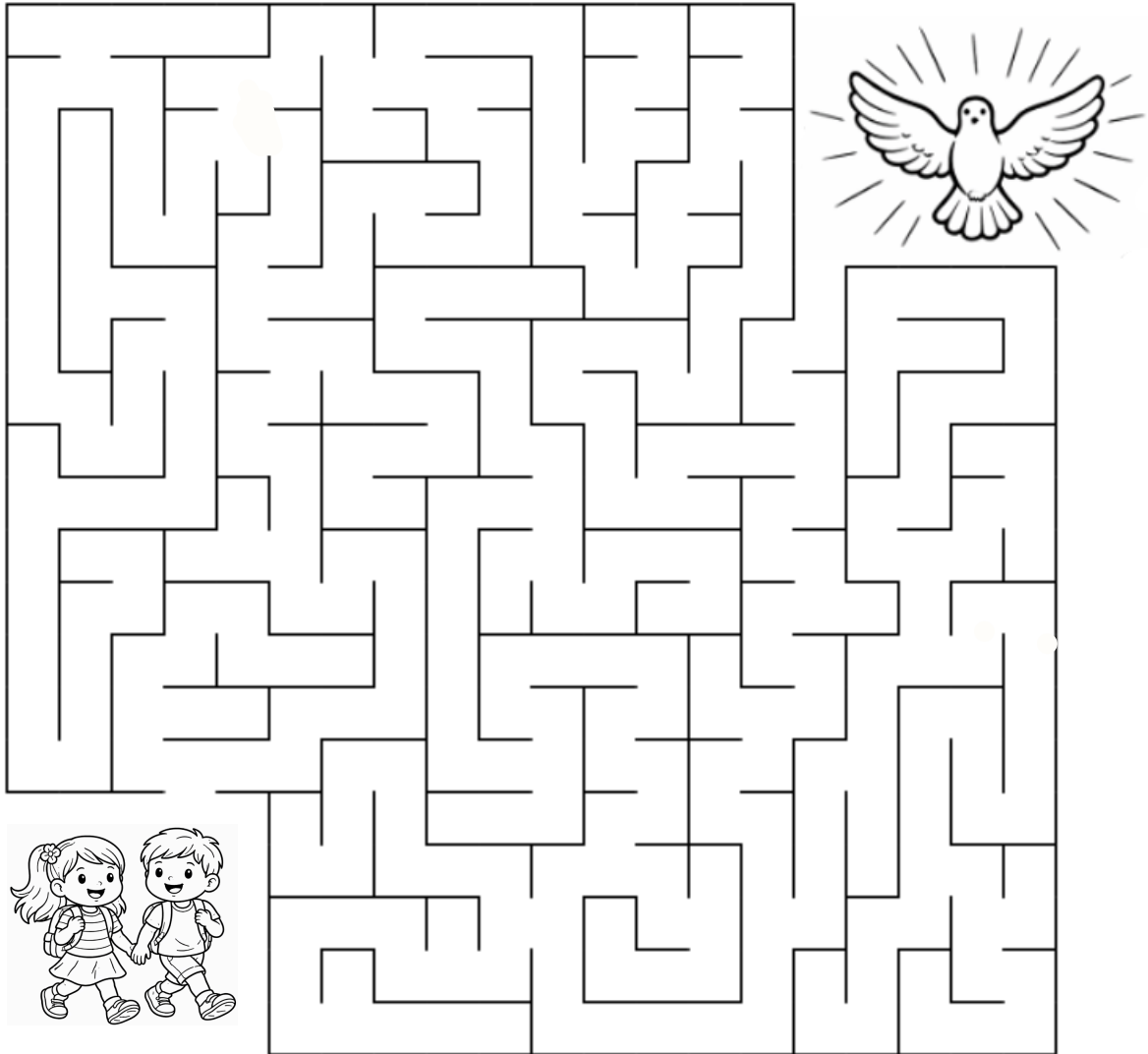
Presence
Watches
Listens
Pray
Good
Trust
Forever



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Help the children find their way to the Holy Spirit.



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And I will ask the _____, and he will give you another _____, to be with you forever. This is the _____ of truth, whom the _____ cannot receive because it neither _____ him nor _____ him. You know him _____ he abides with you, and he will be _____ you.

Use the following list of words to fill in the blanks above.

Advocate because Father in knows sees Spirit world

Crossword – Key:

Across

1. Love
3. Promise
7. Pray
8. Alone
9. Presence
11. Safe
12. Forever
13. See
14. Trust

Down

1. Listens
2. Holy Spirit
4. Good
5. Watches
6. Jesus
10. Never

Cryptogram – Key:

Psalm 31:3

You are indeed my rock and my fortress for your name's sake lead me and guide me.

Fill-in-the-Blank – Key:

John 14: 16

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever.

Complete the Words – Key

John 14: 16-17

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.