

# Sunday School Grade 1

## A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The AGAPE curriculum is for exceptional student education [ESE] for Sunday School. It is designed by the Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States.
- This is a modified curriculum designed for individuals with special needs.
- This curriculum is intended to be taught alongside with the general Sunday School program for each grade.

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- Inclusion is an important aspect of the social and learning paradigm of individuals with special needs.
- Stewards serving children and youth with special needs should try to integrate the students in the mainstream classes for as much time as can be tolerated by the student with special needs.
- Integration and inclusion foster friendships among the same age peer group.

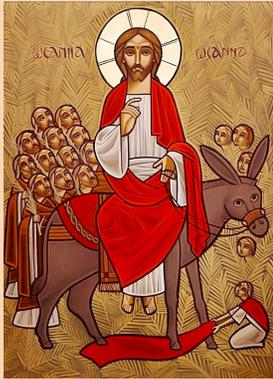
# Preparation for Children Receive Christ Lessons for the month of March

## Lesson Outline: Week 6

- Christ was with his disciples on the mountain.
- He asked two of His disciples to bring a donkey for Him to ride on.
- The disciples met the owner of the donkey. They said to him as Christ the Lord told them.
- The people of Jerusalem knew that Christ was coming. Everyone put on a new garment and went to see Jesus Christ.
- They all carried roses, palm leaves. They waited for Christ to come.
- Christ rode the donkey and entered Jerusalem like a king. There was joy in heaven. The angels were happy.

# Word Bank

- Hosanna



- Palm



- Donkey



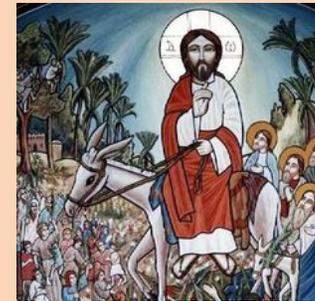
- Disciples



- Mountain



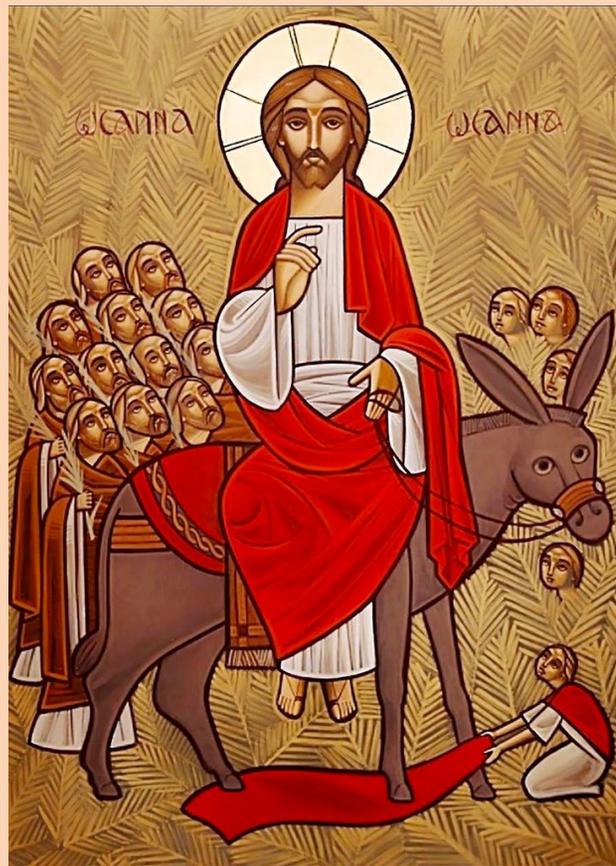
- Ride



**Objective: Learn to attend Palm Sunday starting early in the morning with the palm leaves.**



**Memory Verse: “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord”  
(John 12:13)**



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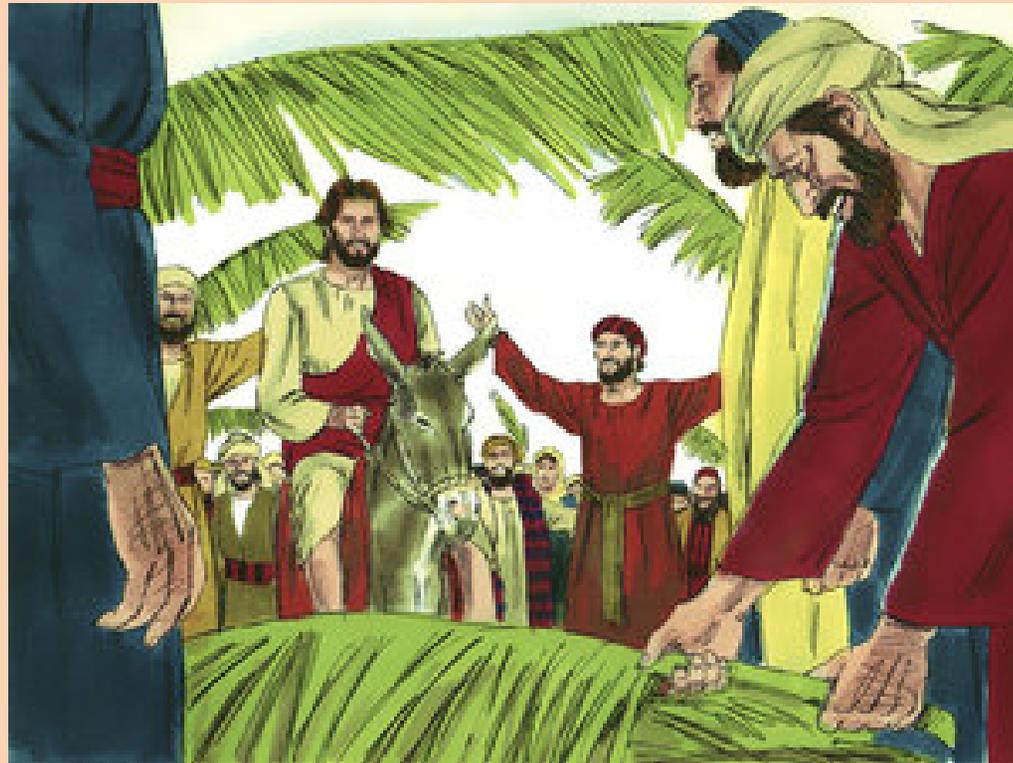


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# Children Receive Christ Lessons for the Great Lent

## Conclusion

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To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

# Resources

- Application
  - Coordinate a time for A.G.A.P.E. students to interact with non- A.G.A.P.E. students.
- Activities—Customize according to student abilities, speech, and fine and gross motor skills.
  - Coloring/Painting
  - Cut and Paste
  - Music/Games
- References
  - <http://www.suscopts.org/ssc/Grade01.pdf>