

# Creed



## Standard #5 Church

Illustrate a basic understanding of Church.

### Performance Indicators

- ~Point out that Jesus founded the Church and chose twelve apostles to help him.
- ~Identify that Christians celebrate Jesus' rising from the dead on Easter Sunday.
- ~Illustrate that the season of Advent prepares us for Christmas and the second coming of Christ; Lent prepares us for Easter and is a special times for praying, sacrificing and sharing.

**Assessment :** How will you know that the children learned or are able to perform the indicators?

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**Where in your catechetical materials did you find the performance indicators?**

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### Some Sample Activities



Invite the children to make symbols and decorate a Jesse Tree, or have them make a paper plate Advent wreath to take home, illustrating Christmas preparations in the Catholic tradition.



As a Lenten activity, gather the children and their families for a springtime nature walk to look for signs of new life. Connect the discoveries to the resurrection of Jesus.



Engage the children in a discussion about choosing Lenten practices which focus on prayer, sacrifice and sharing.



Pray the Way of the Cross together in the Church during Lent as a preparation for the celebration of Jesus' death and resurrection. Invite families to join you.



Make special storybooks about the life of Jesus. Ask the children to pretend they were living at that time and write in the storybooks what they saw and heard.

Other activities I found useful...