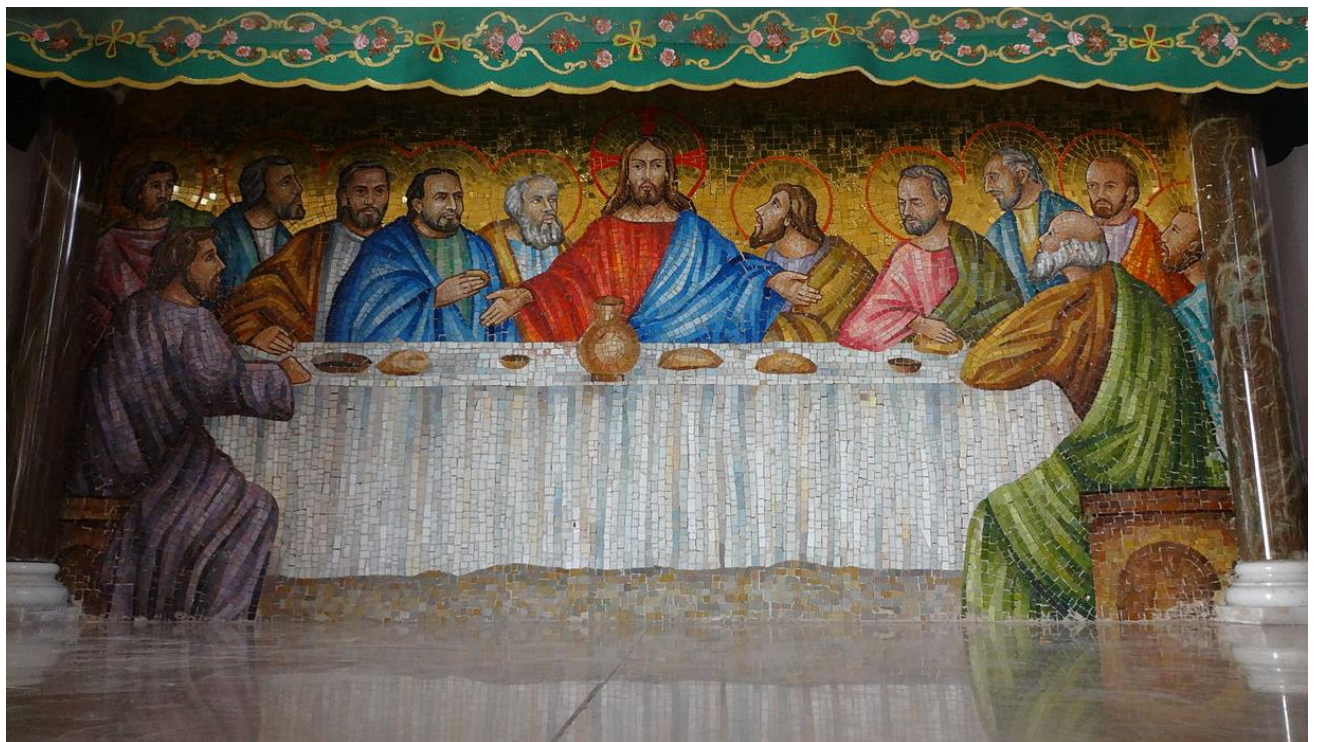


# The Last Supper



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Set up the cenacle

You will need:

A table

A small box with:

a plate

a cup

a small crucifix

small candles

matches

***Place Jesus and the apostles a little distance away from the cenacle.***

Introduce the topic using these words, or saying the same kinds of things in your own way...

Today we are going to be thinking about a very important moment in the life of Jesus – just before he died... The Last Supper

Jesus and his apostles had the Last Supper in an upstairs room, which we call the cenacle.



### Point to the Cenacle.

At the beginning of this story, Jesus and his apostles were outside the walls of the city in the country.

Point to the apostles and Jesus.

Now we are going to light a candle, because we will be listening to the words of the Bible.

Light the Candle.

Mark 14:12-17, 22-24, 26

“12 On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?"

13 He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water. Follow him.

14 Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"'

15 Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there."

16 The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

Move two apostles into the cenacle. Open the box and put the plate and the cup on the table.

17 When it was evening, he came with the Twelve.

(Move in the rest of the figures around the table. Do this slowly, one by one. If you want, you can name each one as they are brought in.)



22 While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."

Pick up the plate and hold it out towards the children...

23 Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

Pick up the cup and hold it out towards the children...

24 He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many.

25 Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives."

Move Jesus the apostles a little distance away from the cenacle.

Extinguish the candle.



While Jesus was in the Garden of Olives, he was taken away to be crucified.



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Place the small crucifix on the table in the cenacle.

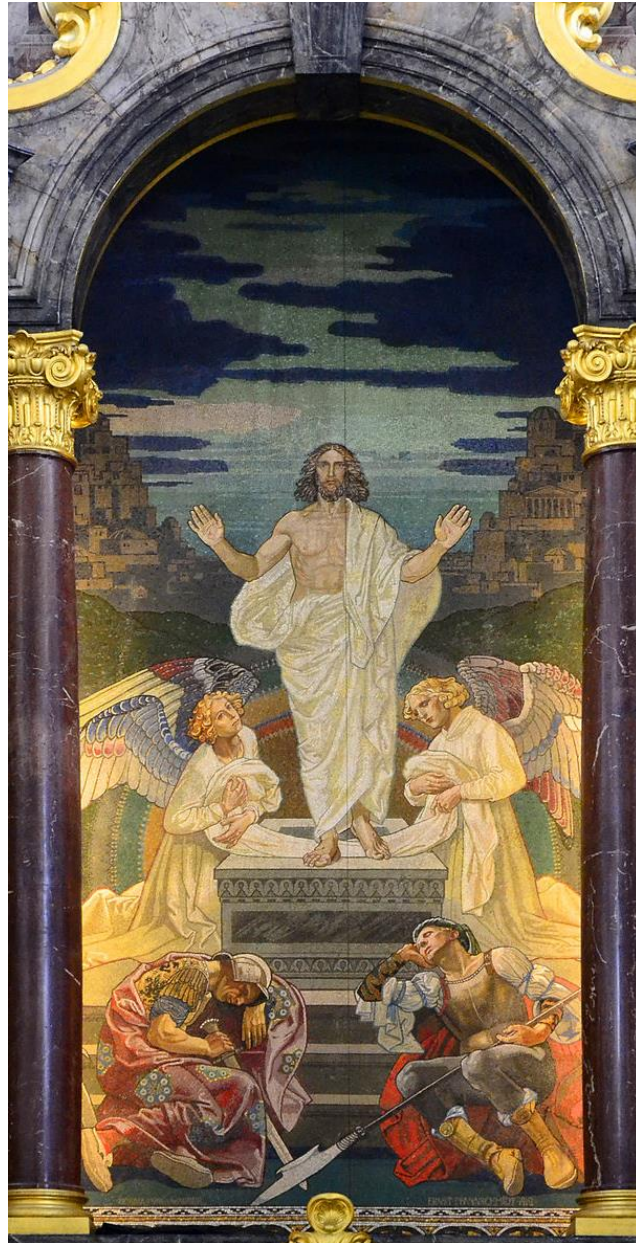
Then the apostles went home. The next day was the Sabbath, and so they were not able to do any work.

Move the apostles out of sight behind the cenacle.

On the next day, some women went back to the tomb to prepare the body to be buried properly.

An angel told them that Jesus had risen – he was alive.

Place candles on the table and light them. Sing “His Is Alive” or some other suitable song.



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## **I wonder...**

I wonder what Jesus wanted the disciples to remember when they ate the bread?

I wonder what Jesus wanted the disciples to remember when they drank the wine?

## **You may like to think about these things...**

...The words of Jesus: “This is my body; this is my blood.”

... That Jesus came back to life even after he had died.

