

# Ideas for using Kids Celebrate Three Amazing Days

- ☞ The ritual actions of these special days are unique in the church's year. Be sure to sit where children can see everything that is going on.
- ☞ Find the images for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil in *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (pp. 258, 262, and 266). Ask children to find the cross in each of the three images.
- ☞ If footwashing is part of your congregation's Maundy Thursday practice, encourage your child to participate with you. Most children will enjoy being able to take off their shoes and socks in church. As you wash your child's feet, say, "Jesus told us to love one another."
- ☞ If your congregation uses a large cross on Good Friday, take children up close to it after worship if an opportunity to do so is not offered during the worship itself. You might offer a brief prayer there with children such as "Thank you, God, for sending us Jesus."
- ☞ Ask children to find the largest candle in the worship space, especially at the Easter Vigil. Explain that it is a symbol of Jesus' resurrection. Have them find the large candle in the illustration on the cover of this booklet, and in the images on pages 227 and 266 of *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.
- ☞ If Holy Week liturgies are held in the evening, your worship space will look different than it does in the morning. Ask children what looks or feels different in the worship space when it is dark outside.