

WELCOME



Poolesville Memorial United Methodist Church

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost — Oct. 4, 2026

Worship Service — 10:30 am



“Press On”



A special welcome to our guests today! Your visit is a blessing and we are glad you are here! As we gather, take time to relax and prepare your heart to listen for God through today's time of prayer, song, and scripture study.

* = Please stand in your heart or posture.

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal. TFWS = The Faith We Sing.

Italicized, BOLD Text = recite out loud

GREETER—Joan Carroll

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC—*In Christ There Is No East or West* Linda Custer
by James Biery

WORSHIP SERVICE

ACOLYTE—Isabel

WELCOME—Introductions and Prayer Rev. Timothy Dowell

PRELUDE MUSIC—*Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* Linda Custer
by Potter/Behnke

*CALL TO WORSHIP led by Pam Flick

LEADER: Come, let us gather in the presence of God, who calls us to forget what lies behind and strain forward to what lies ahead.

PEOPLE: ***We press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.***

LEADER: The Stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone; this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

PEOPLE: ***Nothing compares to the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus our Lord.***

ALL: ***Let us worship God with humble, unified, and joy-filled hearts!***

OPENING PRAYER led by Pam Flick

Gracious God: You have planted us in your vineyard and built your foundation upon Jesus Christ, the true Cornerstone.

Forgive us when we fail to produce the fruits of your kingdom or when we rely on our own credentials and human accomplishments.

OPENING PRAYER

led by Pam Flick

Root out our self-righteousness, and fill us with the righteousness that comes through faith in Christ.

May your Holy Spirit continue to renew our hearts today, that we may press on faithfully in service to your kingdom.

In the holy name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, we pray. Amen.

OPENING HYMN—*The Church's One Foundation

UMH 545

FIRST READING—*Philippians 3:4-14*

Kirsten Lewis

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

ANTHEM—*In Christ Alone* - by Townend/Getty/Angerman

Chancel Choir

SECOND READING—*Matthew 21:33-46*

Rev. Timothy Dowell

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

MESSAGE—*Press On*

Rev. Timothy Dowell

HYMN OF RESPONSE—*My Jesus, I Love Thee

UMH 172

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Timothy Dowell

OFFERING—*offering plate located in Spurrier Hall*

Rev. Timothy Dowell

DOXOLOGY—*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

COMMUNION WITH SUNG RESPONSE

Rev. Timothy Dowell

A Service of Word & Table II—Musical Setting C

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The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Linda Custer

Let Us Break Bread Together - by Albert Zabel

There Is a Fountain - by Don Hustad

Now the Silence - by Schalk/Mitchell-Wallace

CLOSING HYMN—*We Are God's People

TFWS 2220

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

POSTLUDE MUSIC—*Great Is the Lord*

Linda Custer

by TFWS hymn arrangement

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

Sun–Oct 4th 19th Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Sunday School - 3yr-K, Rm 3 ; 1 st -5 th , Rm 4 ; 6th-12 th , Rm2 Adult Sunday School- Room 6/ZOOM Chancel Choir Rehearsal- Sanctuary/Room 8 Nursery- Room 5 Worship Service with Communion - Sanctuary/YouTube
Mon–Oct 5	6 – 7 pm 7 – 8 pm 7 – 8:30 pm 7 – 8:30 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting– Rm 1 SPRC Meeting– ZOOM Bell Choir Rehearsal– Sanctuary/Spurrier Hall Grief Group– Rm 6
Tue–Oct 6	10:30am–11:30am 2:45 – 7 pm 4 – 5 pm 6 – 8 pm 7 – 8 pm	Tai Chi-Poolesville Seniors– FH Beth Taylor String Lessons– Room 2 Room Prep for Community Dinner– Fellowship Hall/Kit WUMCO - Class– Room 4 Men’s Group– Room 6
Wed–Oct 7	9 - 10 am 3 – 5:30 pm 5:30 – 7 pm 7:30 – 9 pm	Body Sculpting— Poolesville Seniors– CANCELED Prep/Baked Goods Drop-Off for Community Dinner– FH/K Community Dinner– Open to ALL! Chancel Choir Rehearsal- Sanctuary/Room 8
Thu–Oct 8	6 – 8 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 – 8:30 pm	WUMCO - Class– Room 4 Review/Preview with Pastor Tim– via ZOOM Zumba– Fellowship Hall Independent Order of Odd Fellows #97 Meeting– Room 6
Sat–Oct 10	9:30 – 10:30 am 1 - 4 pm	Viewing of Sanctuary– Sanctuary The Friendly Thrift Shop– Onsite
Sun–Oct 11 20th Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 – 10:15 am 9:15 – 10:15 am 9:15 – 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Sunday School - 3yr-K, Rm 3 ; 1 st -5 th , Rm 4 ; 6th-12 th , Rm2 Adult Sunday School- Room 6/ZOOM Chancel Choir Rehearsal- Sanctuary/Room 8 Nursery- Room 5 Worship Service - Sanctuary/YouTube
Mon–Oct 12	1 – 3 pm 6 – 7 pm 7 – 8:30 pm 7 – 8:30 pm	Caregivers Support Group Meeting- Noah’s Ark Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting– Rm 1 Bell Choir Rehearsal– Sanctuary/Spurrier Hall Grief Group– Rm 6
Tue–Oct 13	10:30am–11:30am 2:45 – 7 pm 6 – 8 pm 7 – 9 pm	Tai Chi-Poolesville Seniors– FH Beth Taylor String Lessons– Room 2 WUMCO - Class– Room 4 Church Council Meeting– Room 6

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS		
Wed–Oct 14	9 – 10 am 7:30 – 9 pm	Body Sculpting— Poolesville Seniors– Fellowship Hall Chancel Choir Rehearsal– Sanctuary/Room 8
Thu–Oct 15	9 am – 4:30 pm 6 pm – 8 pm 6:30 pm – 9 pm 7 – 8 pm 7 – 8 pm	Mobile Health Clinic/Therapy-WUMCO– PL/NA Rm WUMCO - Class– Room 4 Poolesville Day Committee Meeting– Room 6 Review/Preview w/Pastor Tim– ZOOM Zumba- Fellowship Hall
Sat–Oct 17	1 - 4 pm	The Friendly Thrift Shop– Onsite
Sun–Oct 18th 21st Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:30 am-12:30 pm 1 – 8 pm	Sunday School - 3yr-K, Rm 3 ; 1 st -5 th , Rm 4 ; 6th-12 th , Rm2 Adult Sunday School- Room 6/ZOOM Chancel Choir Rehearsal- Sanctuary/Room 8 Nursery- Room 5 Worship Service with Communion - Sanctuary/YouTube Fellowship Time – Fellowship Hall Private Event – Fellowship Hall/Kitchen)

Choral Anthem Lyrics - *In Christ Alone* - by Townend/Getty/Angerman

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My comforter, my all in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless Babe.
His gift of love and righteousness
scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on the cross, as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied.
For every sin on Him was laid,
here in the death of Christ, I live.

There in the ground, His body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain.

Then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine,
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man
can every pluck me from His hand.
'Til He returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I stand.
No power of hell, no scheme of man
can ever pluck me from His hand.
'Til He returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I stand.
Here in the power of Christ I stand.



Church Conference – Saturday, November 7th at 9am

Jackson Chapel UMC, 5609 Ballenger Creek Pike, Frederick, MD 21703

All are invited and encouraged to attend.



COMMUNITY DINNER

FREE Community Dinner

Wednesday, October 7, 5:30-7pm.

Pulled Pork/Beef Hotdog/Coleslaw/Macaroni Salad

ALL are invited to come and enjoy
a delicious meal with the entire community.



Thank you to all that made Reva Hoewing's Celebration of Life
so special last week.



We Need Your Trunk!

Poolesville Memorial will host our

Annual Community Trunk-or-Treat on Whalen Commons

Sunday, October 25th

Trunk Set-Up 4-4:45 pm / Event 5-6:30 pm

Bring your vehicle and decorate your trunk any way you like: Halloween theme, sports, Biblical, animal, Disney, etc. You can express your creativity as simply or elaborately as you wish, just nothing spooky or gruesome. To sign up contact Dianna McGrew at 301-349-2261 or mdmcmcgrews@aol.com.

A new addition this year is we are requesting all Trick-or-Treaters bring a non-perishable item to help us **Fill-a-Trunk** that will then be donated to WUMCO so they can restock their shelves.

If you don't host a trunk, still come and enjoy the fun!



3rd Annual Youth Rock-A-Thon

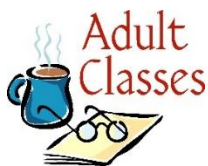
To HAVE FUN and to RAISE MONEY for WUMCO.

Friday, November 13, 7pm to Saturday, November 14, 7am

Kick-Off Prayer at 6:45pm

Have fun! Do good! Earn 12 SSL hours!

Youth will be asking others for pledges. We may also need some chairs and we will definitely need support to keep us awake over night! You can sign up to stop in to bring us treats and cheer us on! Questions, contact Betty at BKing21710@gmail.com or 240.674.6206.



The Adult Sunday School class. What does it truly mean to live by faith? How do we remain faithful when life makes that difficult? **Come and join us! Bring your questions and comments as we grow together; no experience necessary.** We meet in Room, 6 and via ZOOM.



PMUMC Men's Gatherings and Study meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm in Room 6 and by Zoom (<https://pmumc.org/2023/04/blog-4/>).

Our Study is posted on the Church's Website (Men's Group Fall Study: The Wesleyan Way of Salvation – Poolesville Memorial) with a Reading List.

All men are invited to participate. Please share the information with anyone who may be interested in deepening their faith and growing their relationship with the Lord and fellow brothers.



Keeping our Children Safe – If you will be working with any of our children or youth, it is **REQUIRED** that you complete the Safe Sanctuary training annually. Please

watch/re-watch the training at <https://pmumc.org/2024/05/safe-sanctuary-training/> and turn the forms into the office. Please contact the office with any questions.

SCHEDULE	October 11 20 th Sunday after Pentecost	October 18 21 st Sunday after Pentecost	October 25 Reformation Sunday
Liturgist	Bob Bachman Nicole Lewis	Wendy Huff Scott McGrew	Eleanor Bateman Beth Parker
Acolyte	Knox	Isabel	Grace
Greeters	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>

Plus more...

- **Review / Preview with Pastor Tim** – Every Thursday at 7pm via ZOOM
- **Communion** – 1st Sunday of the month during Worship
- **Fellowship Time** 3rd Sunday of the month after Worship
- **Children's Moment** 4th Sunday of month during Worship
- **Caregivers Support** - if you know of a need, contact Lori at 240-994-8011.
- **Greeters Needed** – all ages welcome-call office or go to signupgenius.com
- **Volunteer Opportunities** to help at **The Friendly Thrift Shop, Frederick Rescue Mission, and WUMCO!**

Poolesville Memorial's



PERSONNEL & CONTRIBUTORS TO WORSHIP

PASTOR - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

ORGANIST - Linda Custer

MUSIC DIRECTOR - Janet Hartz

WORSHIP CMTE CHAIR - Priscilla Lyon

CHANCEL CHOIR - Janet Hartz (Director), Linda Custer (Accompanist), Eleanor Bateman, Tim Dowell, Chris Giarratano, Wendy Huff, Amanda Lyon, Priscilla Lyon, David Melton, Tim Melton, Walter Moskwa, Marty Pauley, Roger Powers, Betty Jean Selby, Becky Smalley, Erin Smeller, Madelon Stone

BELL CHOIR - Becky Smalley (Director), Linda Custer, Jennifer Fielder, Jim Hardter, Janet Hartz, Cindy Heivilin, Kirsten Lewis, Priscilla Lyon, Beth Parker, Kevin Schramm, Corrine Selby

ACOLYTES - Kirsten Lewis (Coord.), Grace H., Knox H., Nicole L. (Head Acolyte), Everly R., Isabel S.

ALTAR GUILD/SACRAMENT STEWARD - Janet Spiker, Jenny Rivenbark (Alt)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT - Betty King

HEAD USHER - Dr. Robert Spiker

VISUAL ARTS - Dianna McGrew, Jenny Rivenbark, Janet Spiker,

AUDIO/VIDEO - Tim Melton (Coordinator), Nicole Lewis, Kevin Schramm

CHURCH COORDINATOR - Shirley Prasada-Rao

CUSTODIAN - Ximenia "Patricia" Murdock

EVENT MONITOR - Linda Self

NURSERY - Cynthia Cook, Stephanie Parker, Julie Seger

OFFICE INFO

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri, 12-3pm, and by appointment

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

Please contact the office at 301-349-2010, office@pmumc.org, or visit www.pmumc.org

PHONE MESSAGES

Voicemails are sent electronically to emails

EMERGENCIES

For immediate pastoral care, please email PastorTim@PMUMC.org

AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING

(last 8 weeks)

\$9,163.88

GIVING

WAYS TO GIVE:

- **ENTERING/EXITING WORSHIP** - Place in Offering Plate in Spurrier Hall
- **MAIL** to Memorial's PO Box 358
- **DROP** in Memorial's secured mailbox next to main entrance on side of building
- **SEND ELECTRONICALLY** via PMUMC.org

PURPOSE

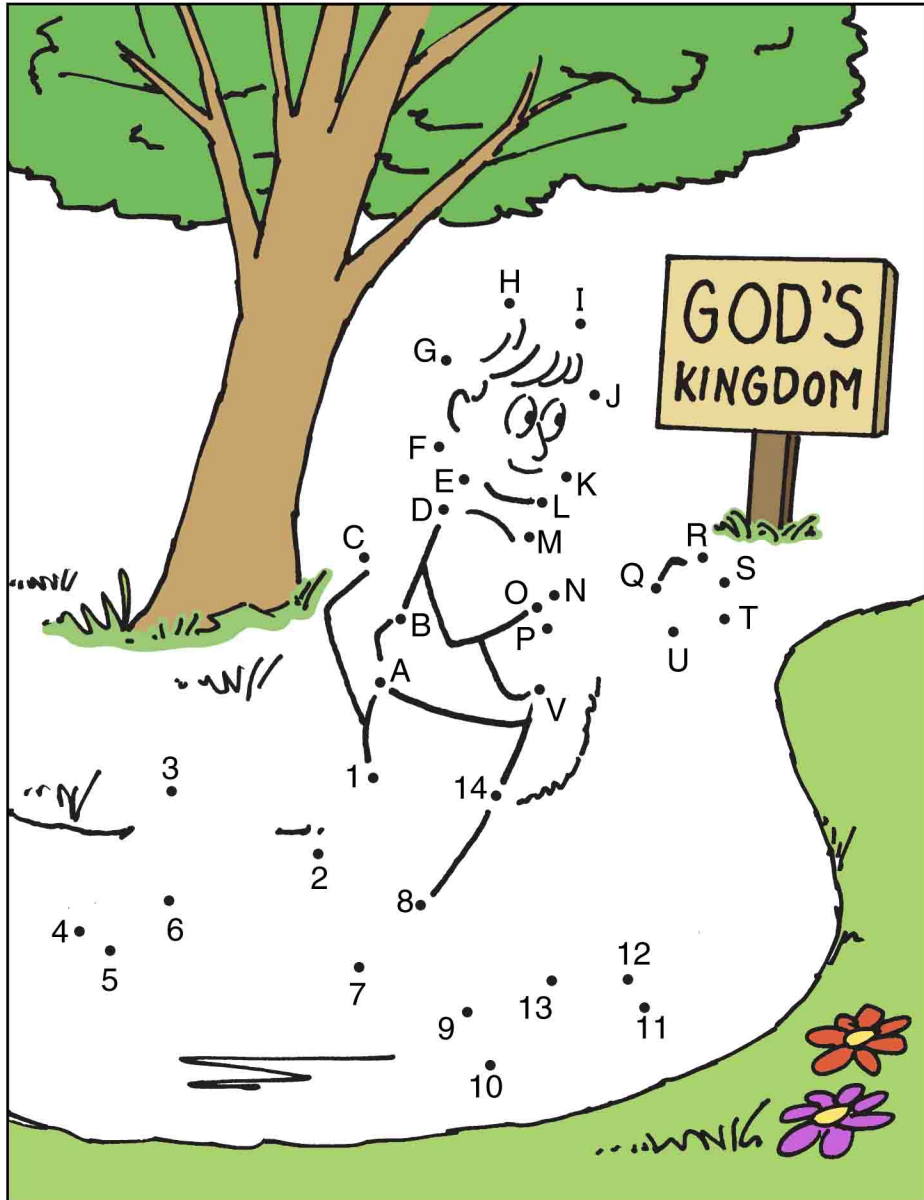


We need to go toward God's goal for us.

Connect the dots.

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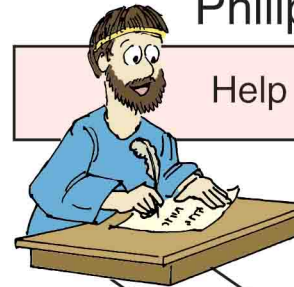


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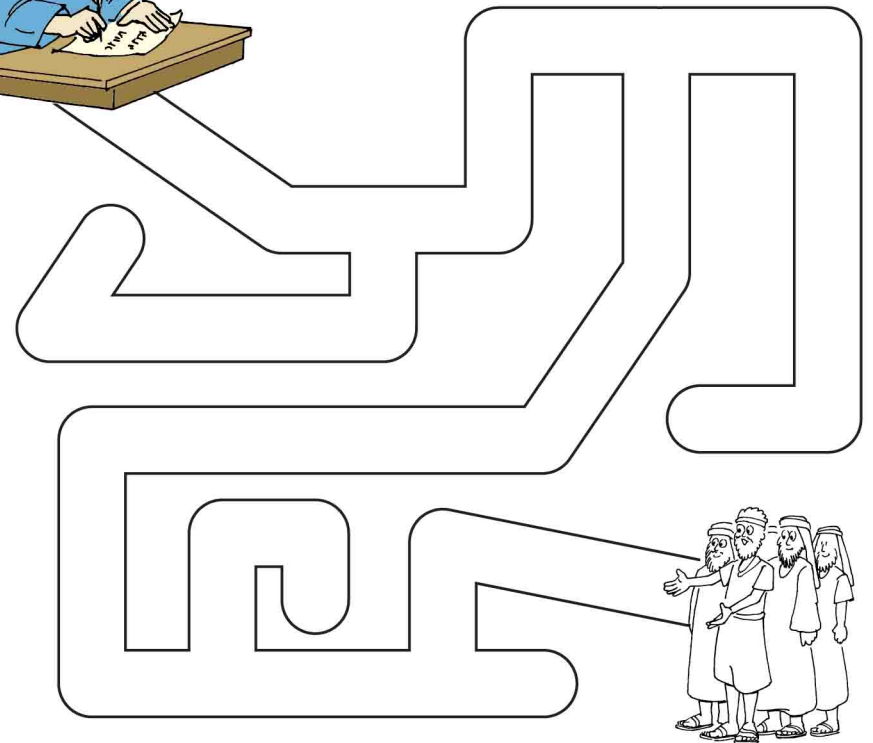
October 4, 2026 • Philippians 3:4-14

Pressing Toward the Goal

Paul wrote to the church at Philippi about having faith.



Help Paul's letter get to Philippi.

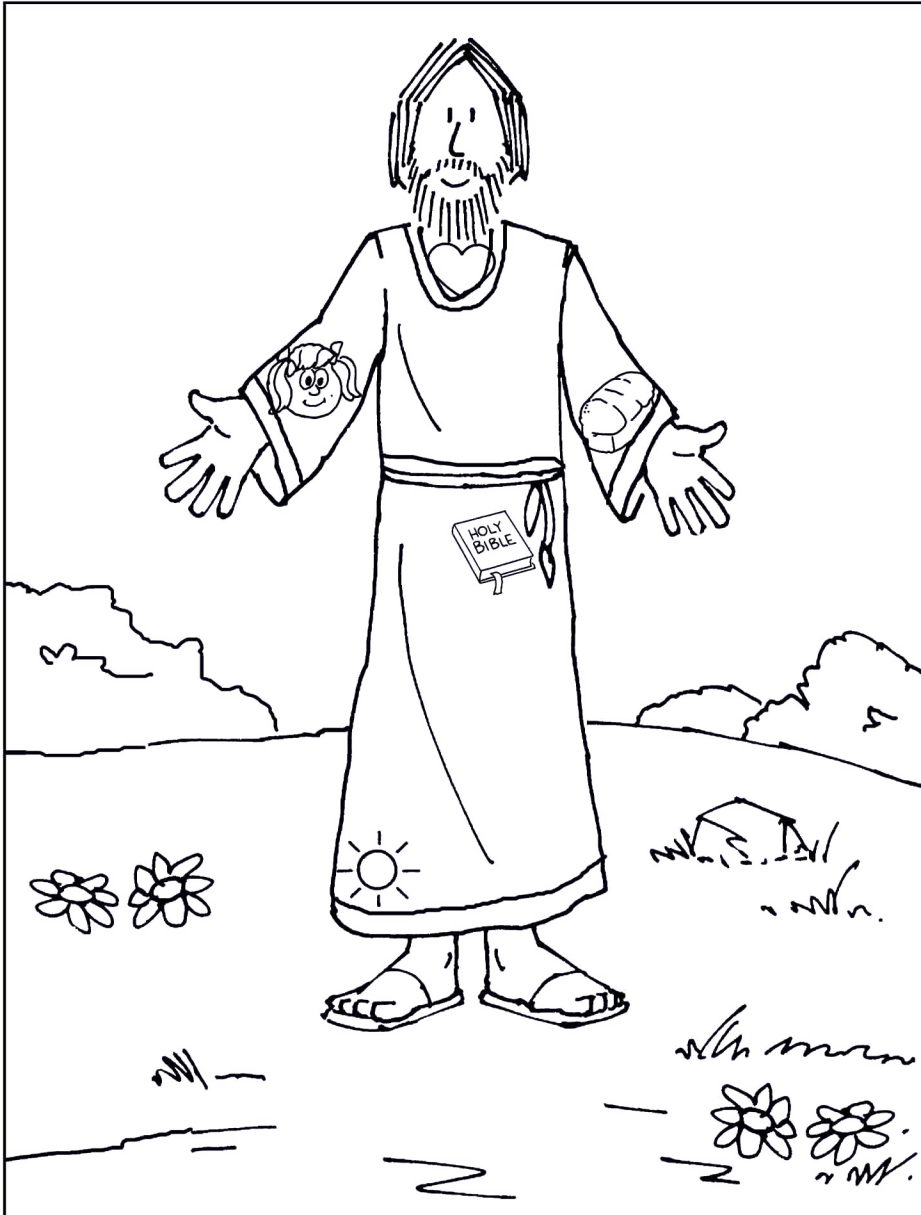


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Paul wanted everyone to know Jesus.

Find the hidden objects in the picture of Jesus.



We need to know Jesus
and the power of His ...

Use the code to fill in the missing letters.



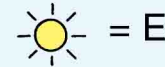
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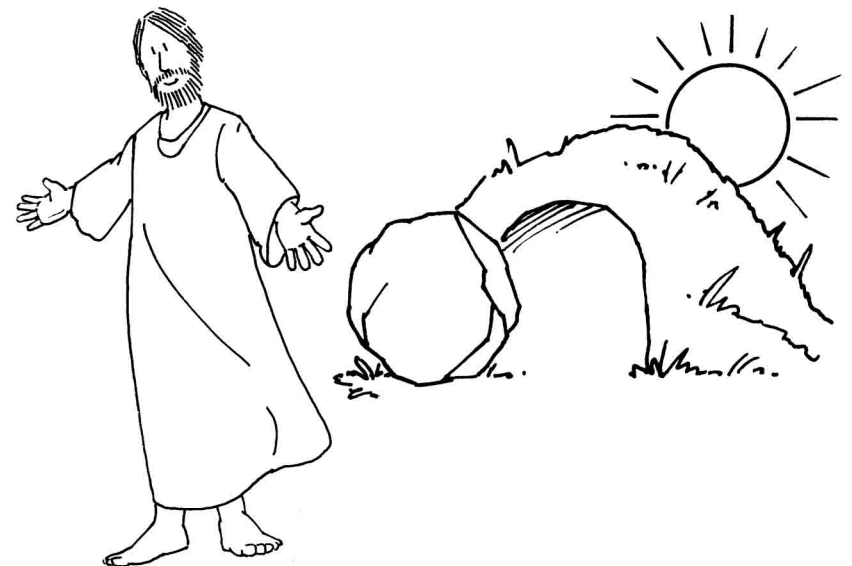


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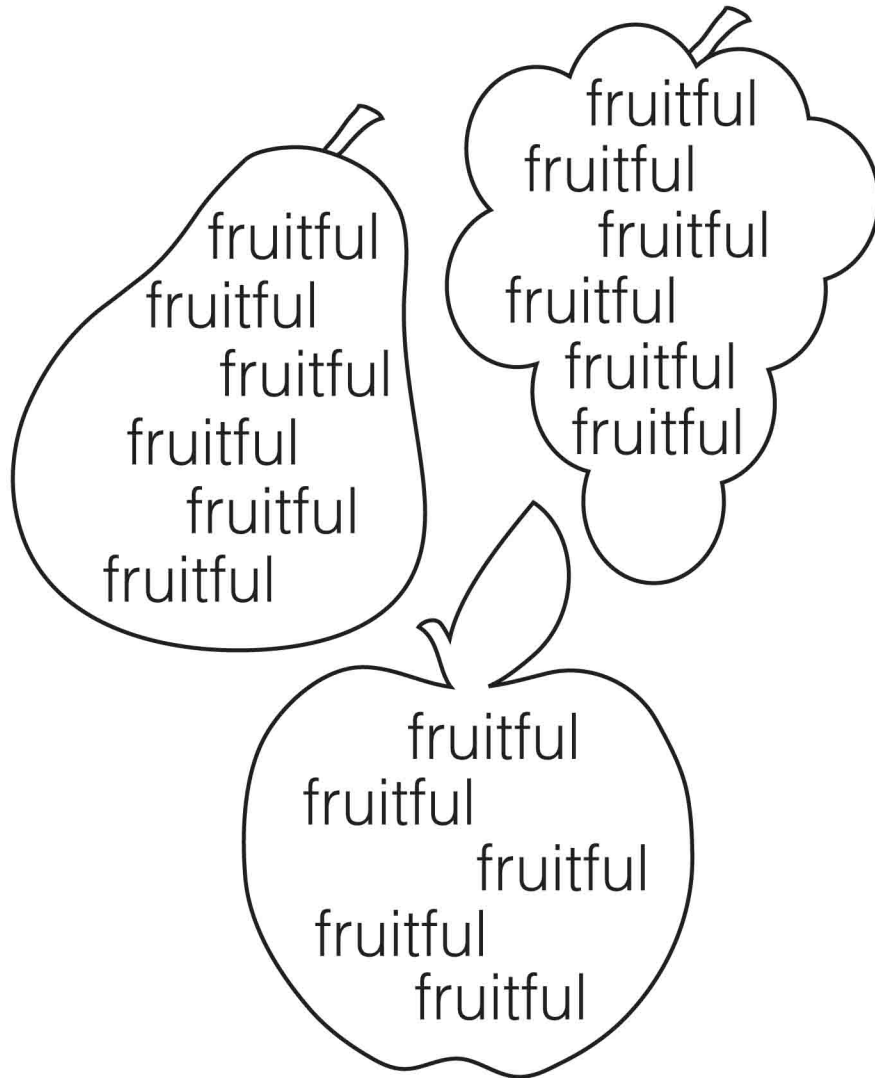


The kingdom of God is the same. It will be given to those who are fruitful for God.

Count the word “fruitful” in the picture below.

Circle the correct number.

How many? 14 15 16 17 or 18 ?



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Ages 3+

October 4, 2026 • Matthew 21:33-46

The Tenants in the Vineyard

A man had a vineyard.
He rented it to farmers to take care of it.

Add these items to the picture.



the sun



grapes on the vines



baskets



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NPDYJ0

The landowner sent 3 servants to the vineyard to collect fruit. Then he sent his son. They were all badly treated.

Trace the lines to the correct picture.



servant 1



servant 2



servant 3

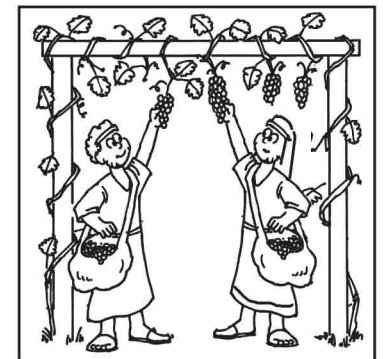
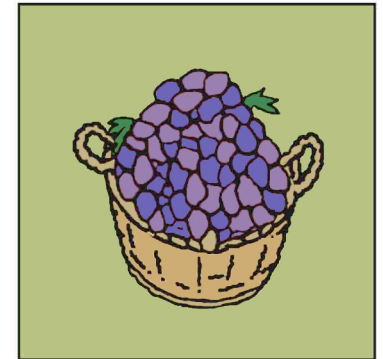


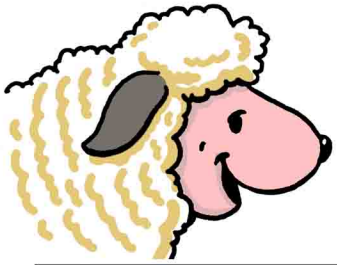
son



The landowner took the vineyard away from the bad farmers. He gave it to others who would produce fruit.

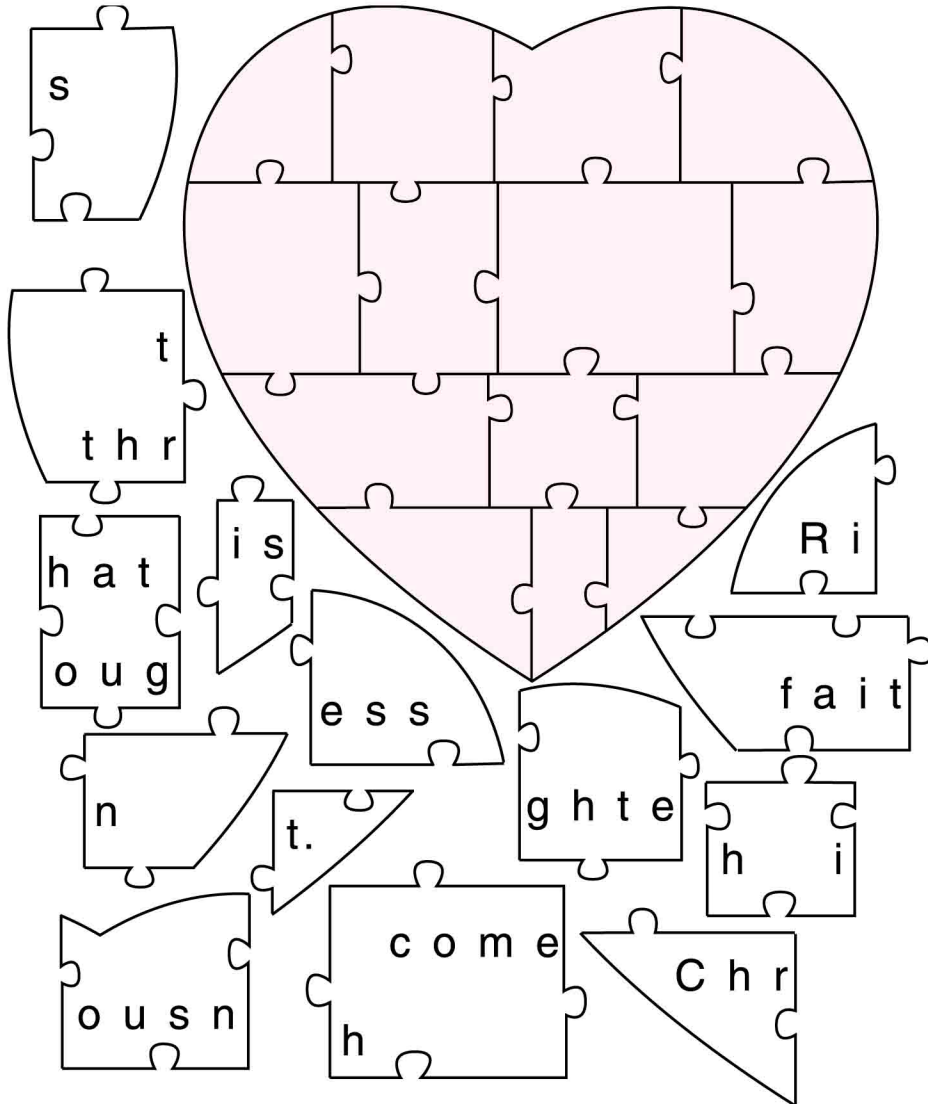
Match the opposites.





Paul did not trust in his own goodness to please God. In what did he trust?

Match the sections of the heart and put each word in the section where it belongs.



Pressing Toward the Goal

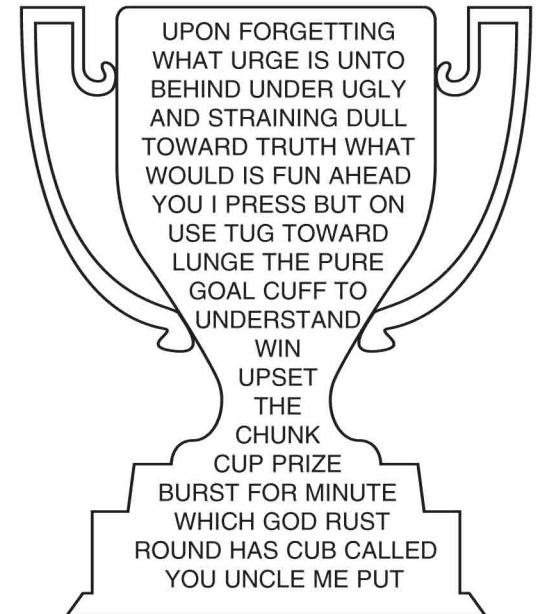
When the apostle Paul wrote to the Christians at Philippi, he named some important things about himself, but then he said ...

Cross out every word on the trophy that contains the letter U.
Write the remaining words on the lines.

“ _____

_____, _____

_____”



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BJCA28

What things could have made Paul proud?

Unscramble the words. Use the circled letters to tell how Paul felt about those things that could have made him proud.

GILEINOR.....R.....
his beliefs and practices

PURTTAINEO.....R.....
his honor and esteem

REEBHW.....H.....
his nationality

BIRTE.....T.....
his family ancestry

VOOTINED.....D.....
his sincerity and dedication

SKOWR.....W.....
his good deeds

SARHIPEE.....P.....
his religious group



But Paul considered all things to be

R.....
in comparison with Christ.

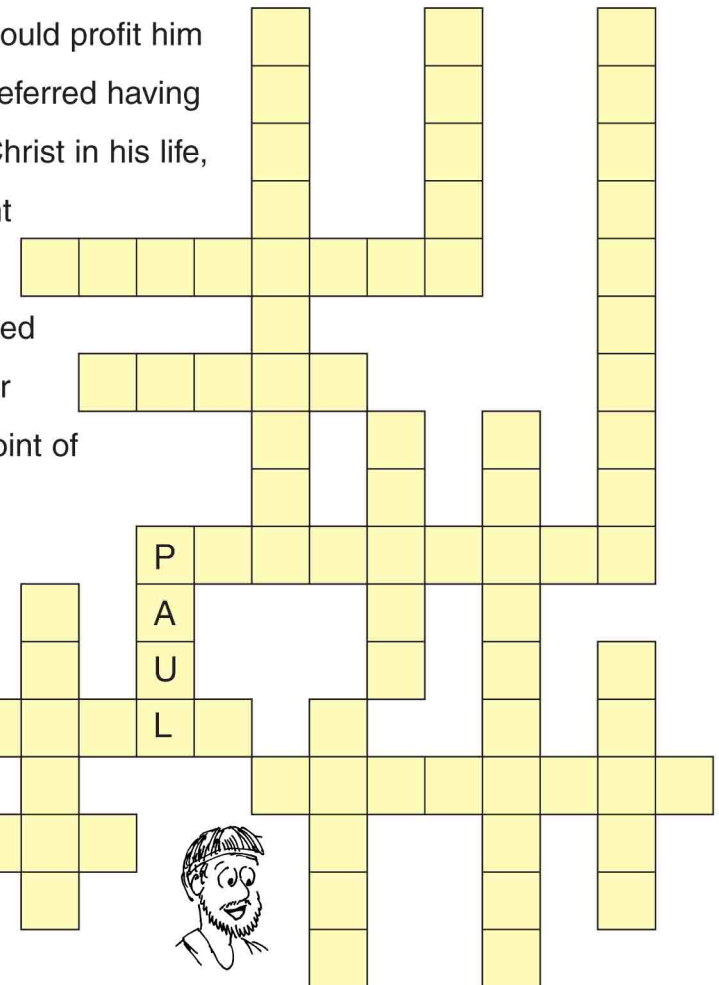
The apostle Paul accomplished many things.
What did he think about his accomplishments?

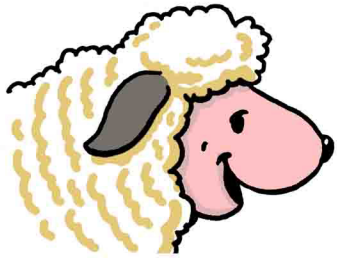
Find 15 words that begin with the letter p.
Circle them. Then fit them into the squares.

Paul could have felt very proud of himself. He was born into a family of good position among the Hebrew people. He had studied the Scriptures and became a Pharisee. In fact, he was so passionate about his religion that he persecuted Christians.

However, he realized that all those things would profit him nothing. He preferred having the power of Christ in his life, even if it meant experiencing

pain. He realized he would never come to the point of perfection, but would always need to press on toward the heavenly prize.





Some people in the crowd knew that Jesus was talking about them. Who were these people?



Write the letter that is missing in each sequence. Then fill in the blanks.

1. BCDFG = ____
2. YZBCD = ____
3. BDEFG = ____
4. QRSUV = ____
5. FGIJK = ____
6. OPQRT = ____
7. HJKLM = ____
8. PQSTU = ____
9. BCDEG = ____
10. OQRST = ____

4 5 1 3 5 7 1 9

10 8 7 1 6 4 6

and

4 5 1

10 5 2 8 7 6 1 1 6

The Tenants in the Vineyard

Jesus told a parable.

Read about this parable.
Find 15 differences in the second picture below.



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What happened next?

Use this code to fill in the blanks.

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Jesus asked, "Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?"

Write the word that means
the opposite of the one given. Then fill in the blanks.

cowardly

thin

new

future

strong

large

last

bad

old

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