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Poolesville Memorial United Methodist Church

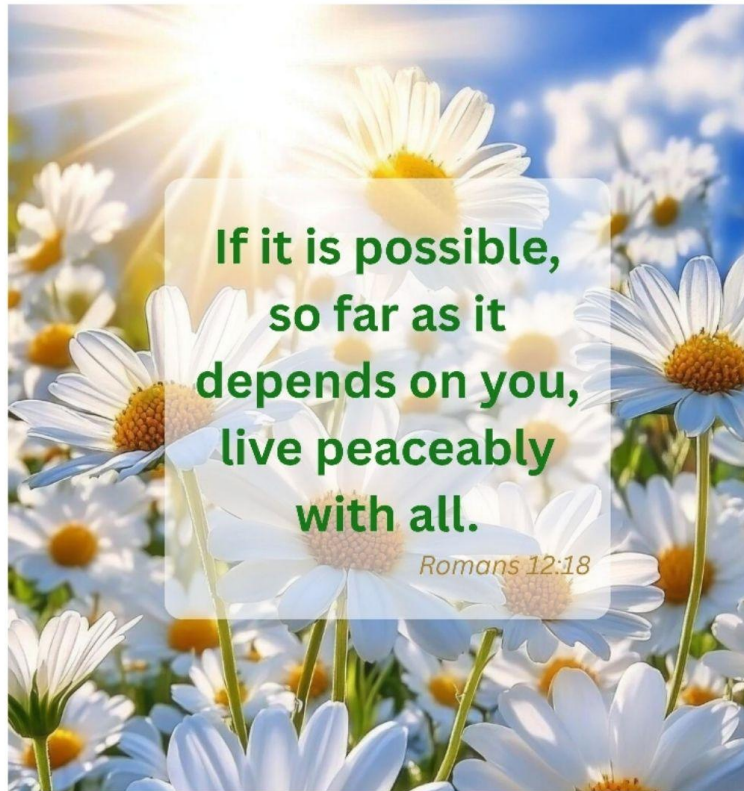
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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost — Aug. 30, 2026

Worship Service — 10:30 am



**If it is possible,
so far as it
depends on you,
live peaceably
with all.**

Romans 12:18

“Living Faithfully”



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—Betty King

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC—*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship* by Jan Sanborn
Linda Custer

WORSHIP SERVICE

ACOLYTE—Knox

WELCOME—Introductions and Prayer Rev. Timothy Dowell

PRELUDE MUSIC—*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* by Lloyd Larson
Linda Custer

*CALL TO WORSHIP led by Scott McGrew

LEADER: Come, people of God; let us love one another with mutual affection and honor one another above ourselves.

PEOPLE: ***We come to serve the Lord with joyful and faithful hearts.***

LEADER: Let us rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, and persevere in prayer.

PEOPLE: ***We will seek God's presence and share in the joys and sorrows of one another.***

LEADER: Do not be overcome by evil.

PEOPLE: ***Let us overcome evil with good.***

LEADER: Come, let us worship the God whose love transforms us and whose grace makes us one.

PEOPLE: ***We come to worship, to serve, and to love as Christ has loved us. Amen.***

OPENING PRAYER led by Scott McGrew

Gracious and loving God, you have called us to a love that is genuine, a faith that is steadfast, and a life that reflects the love of Christ.

Teach us to rejoice in hope, to be patient in suffering, and faithful in prayer. Give us hearts that welcome others, hands ready to serve, and

OPENING PRAYER- CONTINUED

spirits willing to bless even those who oppose us. Help us be a community where love is sincere, where burdens are shared, where strangers are welcomed, and where Christ's peace is known. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN—Your Love, O God**

UMH 120

FIRST READING—Romans 12:9-21

Bob Bachman

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

ANTHEM—O God Beyond All Praising

(Meditation on a Holst Tune)

BELL QUARTET

Arr by Diane McAninch

Janet Hartz, Amanda Lyon,

Priscilla Lyon, Becky Smalley

SECOND READING—Matthew 16:21-28

Rev. Timothy Dowell

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

MESSAGE—Living Faithfully

Rev. Timothy Dowell

***HYMN—Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service**

UMH 581

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

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

UMH 895

***CLOSING HYMN—Take Up the Cross**

UMH 415

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

POSTLUDE MUSIC—Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

by Temple/Holstein
Linda Custer



*To My Church Family,
Thank you, thank you, thank you for preparing,
serving, cleaning up and enjoying a wonderful retirement
luncheon and a thoughtful gift. I am overwhelmed
by the outpouring of love and support from you.
Thanks again, Sandy*

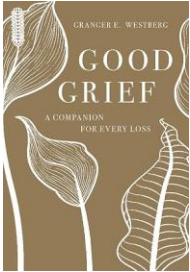
UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

Sun–Aug 30 14th Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:45am–12:45pm	Sunday School: 3yr-5 th Rm 4 ; 6 th -12 th Rm 2 ; Adult Rm 6/Zm Nursery- Room 5 Worship Service - Sanctuary/YouTube Worship Committee Meeting– Room 6
Mon–Aug 31	5 pm – 7 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting– Rm 1
Tue–Sep 1	10:30am–11:30am 2:45 – 7 pm 7 – 8 pm	Tai Chi-Poolesville Seniors– FH Beth Taylor String Lessons– Room 2 Trustee Meeting– Room 6
Wed–Sep 2	9:15 – 10:15 am 7 – 9 pm	Body Sculpting— Poolesville Seniors– Fellowship Hall Bell Quartet Rehearsal– Sanctuary
Thu–Sep 3	9 am – 4 pm 6:30 – 9 pm 7 – 8 pm 7 – 8 pm	Mobile Health Clinic/Therapy-WUMCO– PL/NA Rm Poolesville Day Committee Meeting– RM 6 Review/Preview w/Pastor Tim– ZOOM Zumba- Fellowship Hall
Fri–Sep 4	10 am – 6 pm	PENDING – Chirandu Farm to Table Event Food Prep– K
Sat–Sep 5	9 am – 1 pm 1 - 4 pm	PENDING – Chirandu Farm to Table Event Food Prep– K The Friendly Thrift Shop– Onsite
Sun–Sep 6 15th Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Sunday School: 3yr-5 th Rm 4 ; 6 th -12 th Rm 2 ; Adult Rm 6/Zm Nursery- Room 5 Worship Service - Sanctuary/YouTube
Mon–Sep 7	Happy Labor Day!	
Tue–Sep 8	10:30am–11:30am 2:45 – 7 pm 7 – 9 pm	Tai Chi-Poolesville Seniors– FH Beth Taylor String Lessons– Room 2 Church Council Meeting– Rm 6
Wed–Sep 9	9 - 10 am 7:30 – 9 pm	Body Sculpting— Poolesville Seniors– Fellowship Hall Chancel Choir Rehearsal- Sanctuary/Room 8
Thu–Sep 10	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim– via ZOOM Zumba– Fellowship Hall
Fri–Sep 11	4 – 6 pm	Set-Up for Event– Fellowship Hall
Sat–Sep 12	10 am – 4 pm 1 - 4 pm	Private Event – Fellowship Hall/Kitchen The Friendly Thrift Shop– Onsite
Sun–Sep 13 16th Sunday after Pentecost	9 am - 10:15 am 9:15 – 10:15 am 9:15 – 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Back to Blessings - Sunday School Fall Kick-Off- FH/2/3/4 Adult Sunday School- Rm 6/Zoom Chancel Choir Rehearsal- Sanctuary/Room 8 Nursery- Room 5 Worship Service w/Blessing of the Backpacks/Bags- S/YouTube



Pooleville Day is September 19th

The BEST way to see the festivities and people is to work at the church's booths! You can **SIGN-UP TODAY** to work at one of the booths, donate hamburger for our Walking TACOs or monetary donations to offset the costs.



Grief Support Group starts Monday, September 14.

With grief coming from all types of losses – loved-ones, jobs, health, etc.; there are lots of us that could use a place to come for support while we help each other heal. This fall we will be using “Good Grief: A Companion for Every Loss” by Granger E. Westberg to help guide us in our journey. Copies of the book have been ordered and will be available this week. Please reach out to Betty King, 240-674-6206 or bking21710@gmail.com, if you would like to join this compassionate, caring group of men and women and let's **Heal Together**.



WUMCO is looking to hire an ESOL instructor for the Advanced level class for our upcoming fall semester, with the possibility of continuing as part of our ESOL instructional team in future semesters.

We are looking for someone who is available to teach two evenings per week, is proactive, and enjoys encouraging adult learners to improve their English skills while helping them develop the skills and confidence they need to succeed in learning English as a second language. This can be either a paid independent contractor position or a volunteer position, requiring no more than 5 hours per week. Previous teaching experience is preferred. No need to know or speak Spanish. Native English speakers and bilingual candidates are encouraged to apply.

If you think this opportunity would be a good fit for you or someone you know, please send a résumé and contact Ana Paula Bettinger at apbettinger@wumcohlp.org.

Our last One-Room Sunday School class will be September 6th



“Back to Blessings Kick Off” - September 13th

9am – meet in Fellowship Hall for **Sunday School's Opening Program** then off to classrooms until 10:15am

10:30am – bring your **backpack/bags** to church so it can be Blessed during worship service for the new school year





NEEDED: Floater Sunday School Teacher's Aide Volunteer for one or more Sundays a month

We are looking for several people to share this volunteer position.

You would be going between our classes to help the teachers and support our students on Sunday mornings.

Any questions, reach out to Dianna McGrew
at 301-252-1555.



Women's Prayer Breakfast "Trusting God's Process" All Women are Welcome!

Guest, Peg Arnold with "Women of Wonder" - Saturday, Sept. 12 at 9am

Held at The Salvation Army, 20021 Aircraft Dr, Germantown, MD 20876

Catered by *The Omelette Guys*. Tickets are \$30. Contact Mary Young to reserve your spot at 301-620-2420. Sponsored by Seneca Community Church

Poolesville Seniors!

REGULAR EVENTS: Ping Pong, Walking, Seniors at Barre, Pickleball, Tai-Chi, Bridge, Zumba Gold, Knitting & Crocheting Instruction & Support, Trivia Game Night, Mahjong, Country Line Dancing, Chair One Fitness, Trail Hikes, Book Club, Body Sculpting, and much more!

Below is a sampling of events. Visit www.PoolesvilleSeniors.org to view all!

Oct 15 – **Bus Trip: Western Maryland Scenic Railroad** – 8:30am-6:45pm

Sep 2 – **Birthday Club Card Crafting!**– 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Sep 2 – **Tour of Poolesville Water Treatment Plant** – 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Sep 8 – **Trail Hike: Little Bennet Regional Park**– 9 am-11:30 am

Sep 11 – **Movie Night: Remarkably Bright Creatures**– 7 pm-9:30 pm

PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED at WUMCO

- Canned Goods (Soups, Baked Beans, etc)
- Individual snacks (granola bars, crackers, etc)
- Microwave meals cups (EZ mac, etc.)
- small jars of peanut butter and of jelly
- Personal hygiene products
- Household cleaning products
- Individual breakfast items (oatmeal packets, breakfast bars, etc.)
- Diapers (size 4, 5, 6, pullups)

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M-F, 9a-12p

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SCHEDULE	September 6 15 th Sunday after Pentecost	September 13 16 th Sunday after Pentecost	September 20 16 th Sunday after Pentecost
Liturgist	David Melton Pam Flick	Beth Parker Eleanor Bateman	Betty Jean Selby Erin Smeller
Acolyte	Isabel	Everly	Nicole
Greeters	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>

A look ahead...

- The **Bell Quartet** will be playing TODAY and September 6th
- **Review / Preview** is here every Thursday evening – it’s a great way to dive deeper into Sunday’s sermons in a small group setting.
- **Last One-Room Sunday School class on September 6th from 9:15-10:15am**
- **Church Council** will meet next Tuesday, September 8th
- **Chancel Choir** Rehearsals returns Wednesday, September 9th with first Sunday back participating in worship being September 13th.
- **Back to Blessings - Sunday School Fall Kick Off - Opening Program starts at 9am** then all will transition to Sunday School classes. Classes for **3 years through K, 1st through 5th, 6th through 12th.**
Don’t forget, there is also a lively **Adult Class (9:15-10:15am)** – come be a part!
- **Blessing of the Backpacks** will take place during worship service on September 13th – don’t forget to bring your backpack/bag to be blessed!
- **Bell Choir** Rehearsals start September 14th.
- **Men’s Group** is returning on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month – starting back on September 15th
- **Poolesville Day** is September 19th – we will once again be providing an affordable food option for those in attendance with our Walking Tacos plus we will host a “hang out” space for anyone that needs a spot to sit and relax.
- **Fellowship Time** returns on the 3rd Sunday of the month, September 20th
- **Reva Hoewing’s Celebration of Life**, Memorial Service, will be Sept 26th at 1pm
- **Children’s Moment** returns on the 4th Sunday, September 27th
- **Grief Support Group** starts September 14
- There is a **Caregivers Support Group** - if you know of a need, please contact Lori Kocur at 240-994-8011.
- Don’t miss **Volunteer Opportunities** to help at **The Friendly Thrift Shop**, the **Frederick Rescue Mission**, and at **WUMCO**!

Poolesville Memorial's



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)

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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



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, Nicole Lewis, Priscilla Lyon, Beth Parker, Kevin Schramm, Corrine Selby, Isabel Smalley

ACOLYTES - Kirsten Lewis (Coord.), Grace H., Knox H., Nicole L. (Head Acolyte), Sam L., 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

Overcome evil with good.

Trace the bubble letters.



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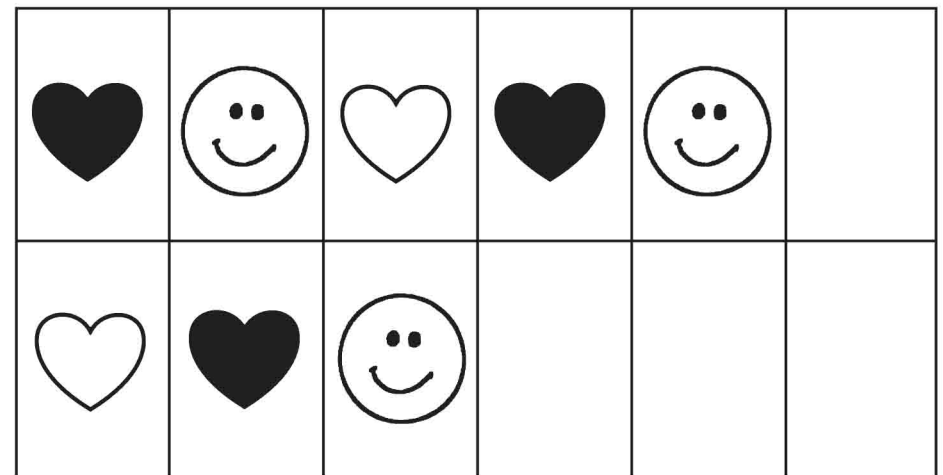
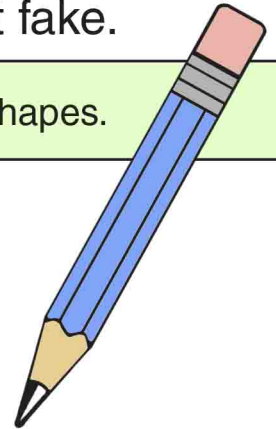
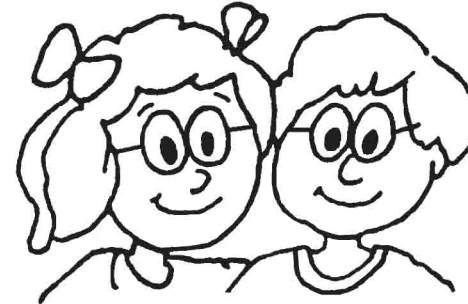
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Love Must Be Sincere

Love must be real, not fake.

Finish the pattern by drawing the shapes.



Practice hospitality. Be friendly to guests.



Find and count.
Write the
number in the box.

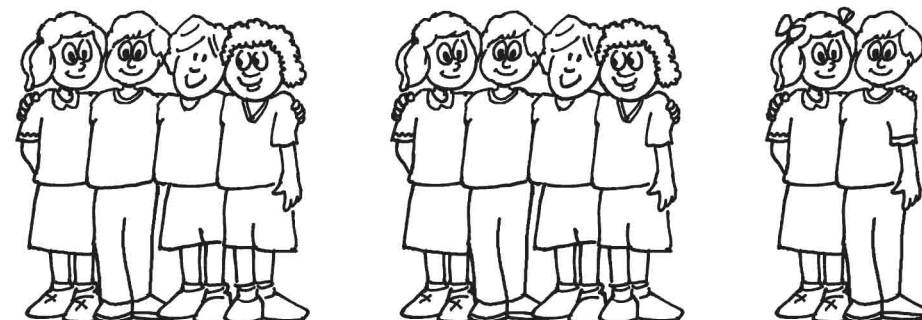




Rejoice with those who are happy
and be sad with those who mourn.

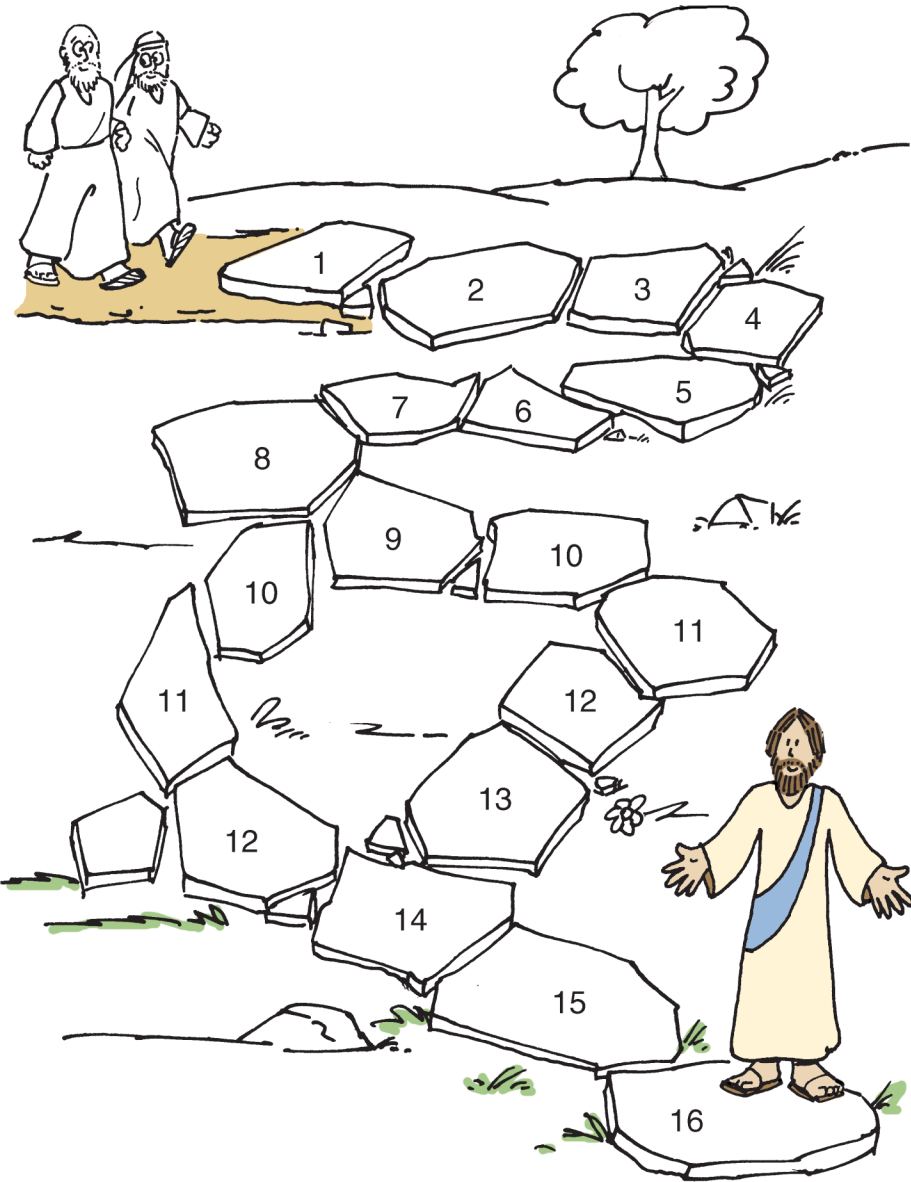
Circle

the 2 pictures that are alike in each row.



Jesus said, "If any want to become
My followers, let them ...
take up their cross and follow Me."

Follow the path to Jesus.



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Jesus Tells About His Future

Jesus told the disciples that He must suffer, be killed, and then be raised to life.

Count how many.
doves  3 or 4 crosses  5 or 6.

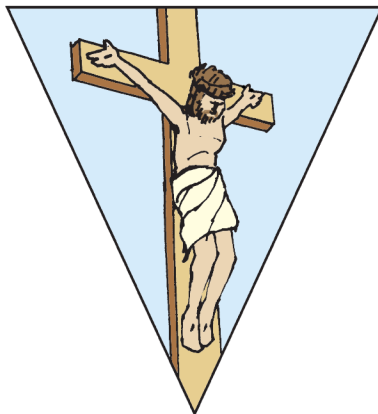
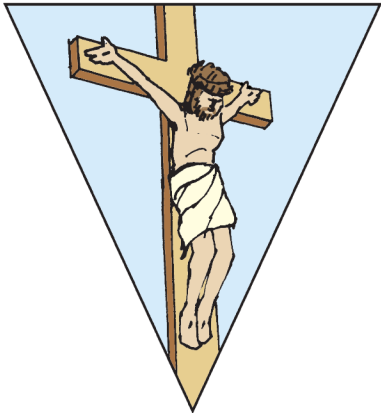


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Peter said, "This shall never happen to You!"

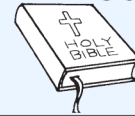
Match the shapes.



Jesus said,
"You do not have in mind
the right things."

What should Peter have in mind?

Use the code to fill in the missing letters.



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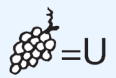
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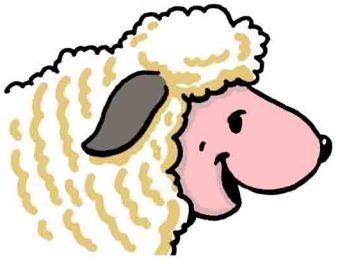


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What else does Paul say?

Put the words on the scrolls in the right order to find the message.

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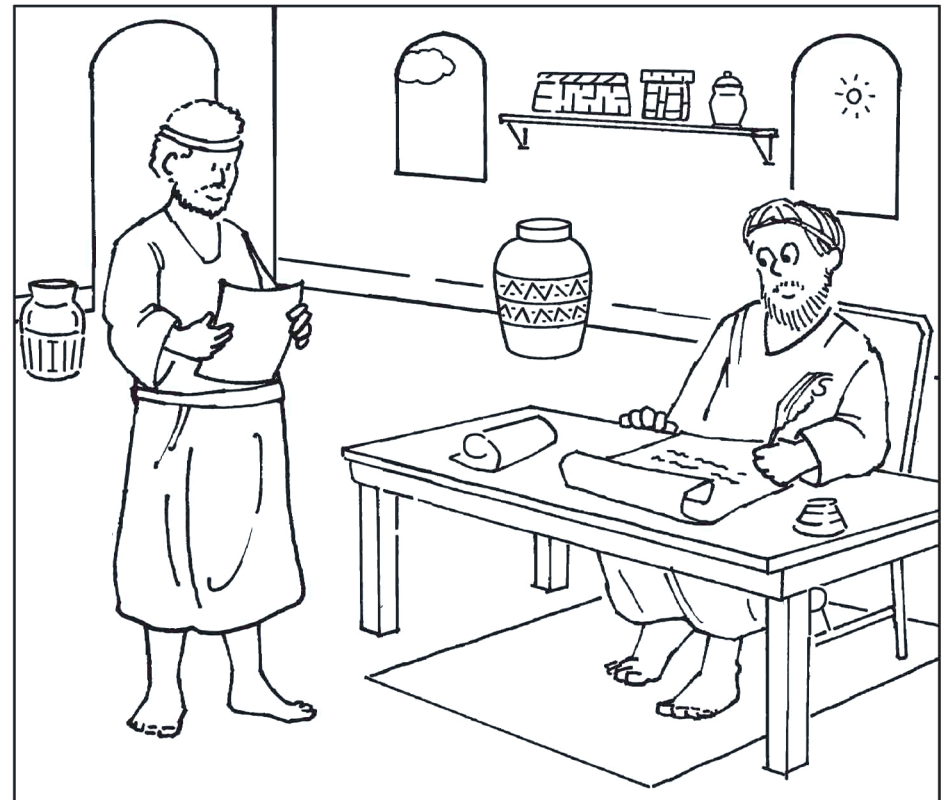
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Love Must Be Sincere

Paul wrote to the Romans that love must be sincere.

Find the letters of the word
"SINCERE" hidden in the picture below

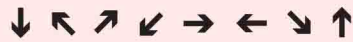


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What did Paul tell the Romans to do?

Find the fully capitalized words from the passage below in the word search.



HATE what is EVIL; CLING to what is GOOD.
Be DEVOTED to one ANOTHER in LOVE.
HONOR one another above YOURSELVES.
NEVER be LACKING in ZEAL,
but KEEP your SPIRITUAL FERVOR,
SERVING the LORD.
Be JOYFUL in HOPE, PATIENT in AFFLICTION,
FAITHFUL in PRAYER.

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F	A	I	T	H	F	U	L	Y	E	G	K	O	R	E
X	Y	T	B	Y	G	N	I	V	R	E	S	R	D	F

What else does Paul say to do?

For each letter, count the indicated number of places ahead in the alphabet to crack the code below. In the first example, 15 letters after A is P, so A=P and P=A in the code.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

A (+15) = ____ H (+13) = ____

B (+17) = ____ I (+9) = ____

C (+20) = ____ J (+15) = ____

D (+10) = ____ K (+9) = ____

E (+12) = ____ L (+14) = ____

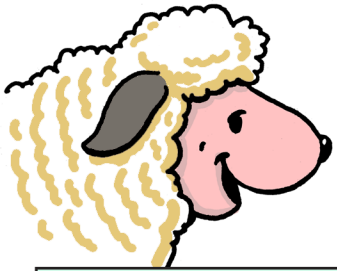
F (+18) = ____ M (+2) = ____

G (+15) = ____



Z r g q p k a q p w q

c r k u q g q i j m d q .



The Son of Man is going to come in His Father's glory with His angels.

Solve the sudoku puzzle. All the numbers 1-9 must be used once in each row, column and box. Then use the code to fill in the blanks.

- 1 He
- 2 according
- 3 reward
- 4 done
- 5 they
- 6 will
- 7 person
- 8 have
- 9 each

6	■	8	△	5	3	4	9	1
7	1	□	9	4	2	6	5	8
4	9	5	8	★	1	3	△	2
2	☆	6	5	9	4	7	▲	3
1	5	4	2	□	7	8	6	9
9	3	7	1	8	6	2	●	5
5	7	2	6	1	8	◇	3	4
3	6	◇	●	2	5	1	8	7
8	4	1	3	7	◇	▼	2	6

Then ▲ ★ □

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to what ▼ ☆ ●

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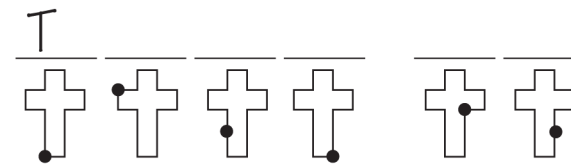
Jesus Tells About His Future

Jesus explained to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things, be killed, and on the third day be raised to life.

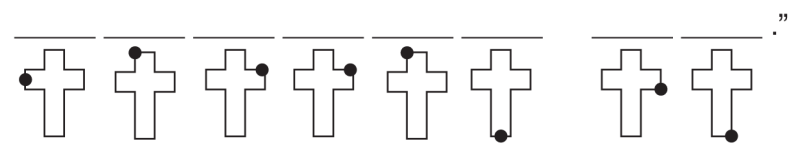
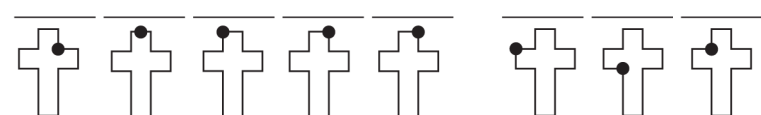
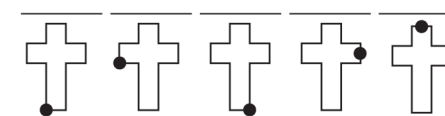


Use the code to write the letters on the blanks.

Jesus said to them, "Whoever wants to be My disciple must deny themselves and



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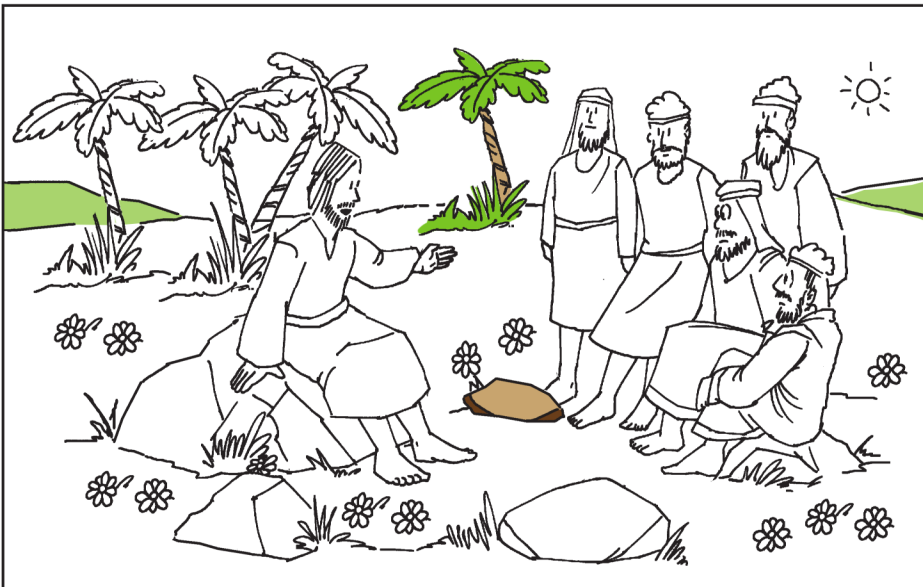
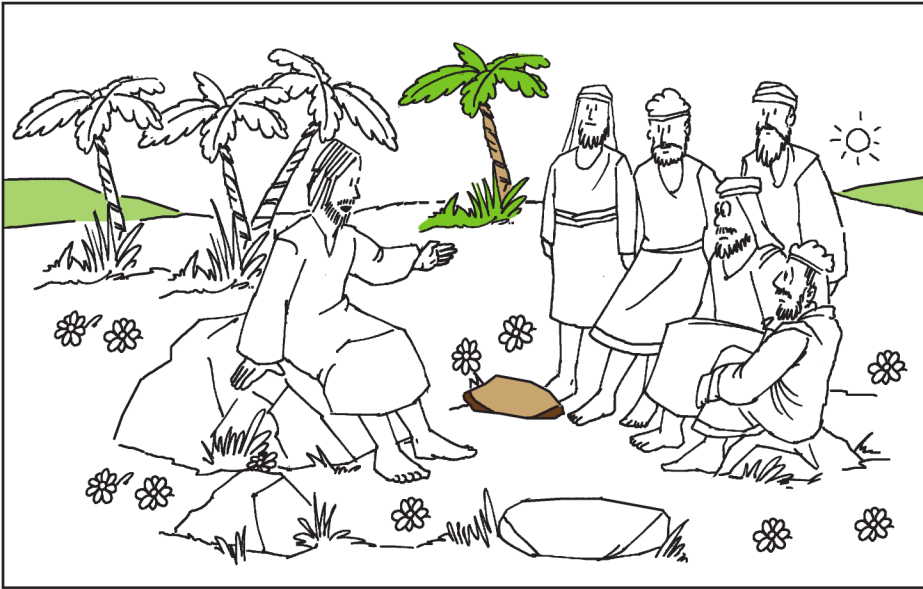


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Jesus told His disciples,

“For whoever wants to save their life will lose it,
but whoever loses their life for Me will find it.”

Find 15 differences in the bottom picture.



Jesus asked two questions.

Find the 14 underlined words in the word search.



“What good will it be for someone to gain
the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?
Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?”

