

## OUR PURPOSE



## DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Mon., Oct 20 **ISAIAH 45:1-7** *Hidden Beauty*  
 Tue., Oct 21 **PSALM 118:1-7** *Help and Healing*  
 Wed., Oct 22 **TITUS 3:1-8** *The Kindness of Others*  
 Thu., Oct 23 **1 SAMUEL 17:32-47** *Embracing Solitude*  
 Fri., Oct 24 **PSALM 121:1-8** *Trusting God*  
 Sat., Oct 25 **2 TIMOTHY 3:10-17** *Mind, Body, and Spirit*  
 Sun., Oct 26 **PSALM 13:1-6** *Hope From Cut Flowers*

Visit [www.upperroom.com](http://www.upperroom.com) for more information.

## OFFICE INFORMATION

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

### PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

Please contact the office at 301-349-2010, [office@pmumc.org](mailto:office@pmumc.org), or visit [www.pmumc.org](http://www.pmumc.org)

### PHONE MESSAGES

Voicemails are sent electronically to emails

### EMERGENCIES

For immediate pastoral care, please email [PastorTim@PMUMC.org](mailto:PastorTim@PMUMC.org)

## CHURCH GIVING

**AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING** *(last 8 weeks)*  
**\$9,306.07**

### WAYS TO GIVE:

- **PLACE** in Offering Plate when entering/exiting Worship Service
- **MAIL** to Memorial's PO Box 358
- **DROP** in Memorial's secured mailbox next to main entrance on side of building
- **ELECTRONICALLY** via [PMUMC.org](http://PMUMC.org)

## CHURCH 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), Eleanor Bateman, Tim Dowell, Chris Giarratano, Wendy Huff, Steve Krasner, 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), Jennifer Fielder, Janet Hartz, Cindy Heivilin, Kirsten Lewis, Nicole Lewis, Priscilla Lyon, Beth Parker, Kevin Schramm, Corrine Selby, Isabel Smalley

**ACOLYTES** - Kirsten Lewis (Coordinator), Grace H., Knox H., Nicole L. (Head Acolyte), Sam L., Isabel S.

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

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** - Betty King

**HEAD USHER** - Dr. Robert Spiker

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

**AUDIO/VIDEO** - Tim Melton, Kevin Schramm

**CHURCH COORDINATOR** - Shirley Prasada-Rao

**CUSTODIAN** - Ximenia "Patricia" Murdock

**EVENT MONITOR** - Linda Self

**NURSERY** - Stephanie Parker, Cynthia Cook



# WELCOME

**Poolesville Memorial United Methodist Church**

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**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost—October 19, 2025**

**Worship Service—10:30 am**



**"Hang In There"**



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**—Cindy McCraith / Steve McCraith

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

Linda Custer  
by Medema/Carson

**WORSHIP SERVICE**

**ACOLYTE**—Isabel S.

**WELCOME**—Introductions and Prayer

Rev Timothy Dowell

**PRELUDE MUSIC**

*What a Friend We Have In Jesus*

Linda Custer  
by Dale Wood

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

led by Wendy Huff

**LEADER:** In every season, God calls us to stand firm in faith.

**PEOPLE:** *We come to continue in what we have learned and believed.*

**LEADER:** When prayer feels unanswered and the world seems unjust—

**PEOPLE:** *We come to pray always and not lose heart.*

**LEADER:** God is faithful; Christ will judge with justice; the Spirit strengthens our hearts.

**PEOPLE:** *We come to worship the God who hears, who speaks, and who sustains.*

**ALL:** *Let us worship God with steadfast hearts and persistent hope!*

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

led by Wendy Huff

*Gracious and steadfast God: Give us hearts that do not grow weary, voices that do not fall silent, and hope that does not fade.*

*When answers seem delayed and the way grows hard, remind us that You are near, hearing every prayer and strengthening every step.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is faithful in all things. Amen*

**\*OPENING HYMN**—*Standing on the Promises*

UMH 374

**FIRST READING**—*2 Timothy 3:14-4:5*

This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Mark Hoewing

**ANTHEM**

*Give Me Jesus with Steal Away*

Chancel Choir  
arr by Ruth Elaine Schram

**SECOND READING**—*Luke 18:1-8*

This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Rev Timothy Dowell

**MESSAGE**—*Hang In There*

Rev Timothy Dowell

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE**—*Let Us Plead for Faith Alone*

UMH 385

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Rev Timothy Dowell

**OFFERING**— (Offering Plates in Spurrier Hall)

Rev Timothy Dowell

**\*DOXOLOGY**—*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH 95

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

UMH 895

**\*CLOSING HYMN**—*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

UMH 117

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev Timothy Dowell

**POSTLUDE MUSIC**

*Recessional*

Linda Custer  
by Douglas E. Wagner

**ANTHEM LYRICS** — *Give Me Jesus (with Steal Away to Jesus)* — by Ruth Elaine Schram

In the morning when I rise,  
in the morning when I rise,  
give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus!  
You can have all this world,  
have all this world  
But I will steal away, steal away,  
steal away to Jesus.  
Steal away, steal away home.  
I ain't got long to stay here.

In the morning when I rise,  
in the morning when I rise,  
in the morning when I rise,  
Give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus!  
You can have all this world,  
have all this world, this world  
Give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus.



**Pastor Tim—**  
**Thank you for demonstrating, on a daily basis, how to be Jesus' hands and feet on earth.**



**All Saints Sunday**

November 2<sup>nd</sup>

Please share the names of friends and family that you would like remembered during the worship service on the designated sheet in Spurrier Hall. You can also contact the church office with your loved ones name.

## UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

<b>Sun – Oct 19</b> <i>19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am <b>10:30 - 11:30 am</b> 11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Sunday School - <b>Rooms 2, 3, 4, 6</b> Nursery- <b>Room 5</b> <b>Worship Service- Sanctuary/YouTube</b> Fellowship Time- <b>Fellowship Hall</b>
<b>Mon – Oct 20</b>	5:30 - 6:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting- <b>Room 1</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal- <b>Sanctuary/Spurrier Hall</b> Grief Group- <b>Room 6</b>
<b>Tue – Oct 21</b>	10:30 - 11:30 am 7 - 8 pm	Tai Chi—Poolesville Seniors- <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Men's Group Meeting- <b>Room 6 &amp; ZOOM</b>
<b>Wed - Oct 22</b>	7:30 - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal- <b>Sanctuary &amp; Room 8</b>
<b>Thu – Oct 23</b>	9 am - 5 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Mobile Health Clinic and LCSW—WUMCO- <b>PL/NA</b> Review/Preview with Pastor Tim- <b>ZOOM</b> Zumba- <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Independent Order of Odd Fellows #97 Meeting- <b>Rm 6</b>
<b>Fri - Oct 24</b>	7 - 8:30 pm	Line Dancing—Poolesville Seniors- <b>CANCELED</b>
<b>Sat – Oct 25</b>	1 - 4 pm 3 - 6:30 pm	The Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry- <b>Onsite</b> Frederick Rescue Mission- <b>Onsite</b>
<b>Sun – Oct 26</b> <i>20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am <b>10:30 - 11:30 am</b> 11:30am - 12:30 pm 4 - 4:45 pm 5 - 6:30 pm	Sunday School - <b>Rooms 2, 3, 4, 6</b> Nursery- <b>Room 5</b> <b>Worship Service- Sanctuary/YouTube</b> Worship Committee Meeting- <b>Room 6</b> Set-Up Trunks for Trunk or Treat- <b>Whalen Commons</b> Trunk-or-Treat- <b>Whalen Commons</b>
<b>Mon – Oct 27</b>	9 - 11am 5:30 - 6:30 pm 5:30 - 6:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Caregiver Support Group Meeting- <b>Noah's Ark Room</b> Daisy Girl Scout Troop #32238 Meeting- <b>Room 3</b> Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting- <b>Room 1</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal- <b>Sanctuary/Spurrier Hall</b> Grief Group- <b>Room 6</b>
<b>Tue – Oct 28</b>	10:30 - 11:30 am 7 - 8:30 pm	Tai Chi—Poolesville Seniors- <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Christian Education Meeting- <b>Room 6</b>
<b>Wed - Oct 29</b>	7:30 - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal- <b>Sanctuary &amp; Room 8</b>
<b>Thu – Oct 30</b>	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim- <b>ZOOM</b> Zumba- <b>Fellowship Hall</b>
<b>Sat – Nov 1</b>	1 - 4 pm 7 - 11 pm	The Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry- <b>Onsite</b> Private Event- <b>Fellowship Hall</b>
<b>Sun – Nov 2</b> <i>All Saints Sunday</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am <b>10:30 - 11:30 am</b> 11:30 am - 12:30 pm 3 - 4:30 pm	Sunday School - <b>Rooms 2, 3, 4, 6</b> Nursery- <b>Room 5</b> <b>Worship Service- Sanctuary/YouTube</b> Fellowship Time- <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Senior Girl Scout Troop #32009 Meeting- <b>Room 1</b>



Thank you to all that attended  
our annual  
**CHURCH CONFERENCE**  
Yesterday!



Thank you again to all that  
participated and/or sponsored our  
youth and the Rock-A-Thon!

**You can still donate!**  
**So far over \$1500**

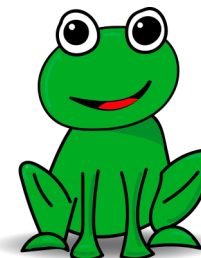
**had already been raised for WUMCO.**

If you haven't had a chance to support this fun and meaningful activity and would like to make a donation, please place your donation, marked "Rock-A-Thon," in the offering plate or contact the church office or Betty King. All donations due by Oct 19<sup>th</sup> so a check can be presented on the 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm.



**REVIEW/PREVIEW**—Study Sundays' scriptures Thursdays at 7pm on Zoom.  
No prep needed! Email [PastorTim@pmmuc.org](mailto:PastorTim@pmmuc.org) for link.

**Come learn how to be a FROG in Sunday School!**



**Fully Rely On God!**

**Sundays from 9:15-10:15am**

3 years through Kindergarten—Room 3  
1st grade through 5th grade—Room 4  
6th grade through 12th grade—Room 2  
Adults—Room 6



**Greeters needed—**

Add joy to your  
Sunday—welcome all!



**Nursery—Room 5**  
10:15-11:45 am

SCHEDULE	<b>OCTOBER 26</b> <i>20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</i> <i>Children's Moment/ Bell Choir</i>	<b>NOVEMBER 2</b> <i>All Saints Sunday w/ Communion</i> <i>Chancel Choir/ Remembrance of Deceased</i>	<b>NOVEMBER 9</b> <i>22nd Sunday</i> <i>Chancel Choir</i>
LITURGIST	Kirsten Lewis Bob Bachman	Nicole Lewis Ray Hoewing	Scott McGrew Pam Flick
ACOLYTE	Sam L.	Nicole L.	Knox H.
GREETERS	Suzanne Shorts	Janet Spiker	Suzanne Shorts



**THANK YOU to ALL**  
that helped to make our  
Community Dinner a success!

**We need your trunks!**

**Community Trunk or Treat**



**Sunday, Oct 26**

**5-6:30pm**

**Whalen Commons**

**Trunk Set-Up**

**4-4:45pm**

Decorate your trunk and provide candy for the treaters! Express your creativity as simply or elaborately as you wish, just nothing spooky or gruesome.

**Even if don't host a trunk  
come and enjoy the fun!**

To sign up contact Dianna McGrew at  
301-349-2261 or [mdmcgrews@aol.com](mailto:mdmcgrews@aol.com)



### Christian Education Mission Outreach Share God's Love...

*Fill a shoebox with small gifts  
for children in need around the world*

You are invited to join our Sunday School Program as they support Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Child" again this year. You pick whether you fill the box with items for a boy or a girl along with a specific age range. Each box is \$10 to ship. If you would like to help with S&H, donations are being accepted.

**Shoe boxes are available for pick-up. Return by Nov 9th.**



### Fellowship Time— **TODAY** after Worship

Please come down to the Fellowship Hall to some soup and share a conversation with others in your church family.



## Baltimore-Washington Conference

The United Methodist Church

Six young adult women ages 18-35 (one per district) will receive a full sponsorship to attend the **2026 United Women in Faith Assembly**, including travel and registration. Don't miss this chance to connect, worship and grow in leadership. Email [kwalker@bwcumc.org](mailto:kwalker@bwcumc.org) by December 31 to request to be nominated as one of the six women sponsored.



### Prayer Requests? Email

[prayers@pmumc.org](mailto:prayers@pmumc.org)



### Some favorite quotes from the "Church Signs" Calendar...

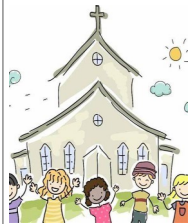
- The best view comes after the hardest climb.
- Struggles don't define us. They are meant to refine us.
- Setback pave the way for comebacks.
- One bad chapter doesn't mean it's a bad book.
- It's not the years in your life; it's the life in your years.



**Need Ride** to church?  
Email  
[Scott.McGrew@aol.com](mailto:Scott.McGrew@aol.com)



**Have an idea for a new ministry?**  
Email Pastor Tim at [PastorTim@pmumc.org](mailto:PastorTim@pmumc.org).



**Children's Moment**—Typically held on the 4th Sunday of the Month—children start in church and after a children's sermon move on to our Fellowship Hall for a scripture related crafts, games, songs and snack.

**Sign up to Mow/Trim** Sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board outside of the Fellowship Hall.



Questions, reach out to Gary Hartz at [gjalaska@verizon.net](mailto:gjalaska@verizon.net)

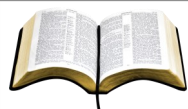


**The Mobile Health Clinic** is open for ALL County Residents to use on 1st, 3rd, 4th Thursdays of month. Walk-ins are welcomed to be seen by Dr. Sherpa, the Primary Care Physician. Call 301-972-8481 to get appointment with a mental health therapist.



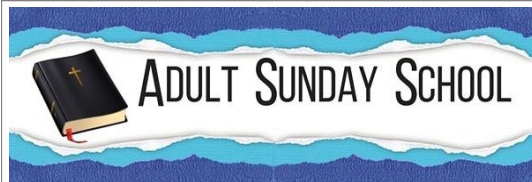
**Produce Distribution**-Open to all. Thursdays 4:30-6pm. First come, first served.  
**Volunteers Needed**-Visit website [www/wumcohelp.org/volunteer/](http://www/wumcohelp.org/volunteer/) to sign up.

**Engage in  
church  
Ministries**



**Next Week's  
Scriptures**

Joel 2:23-32  
Psalm 65  
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18  
Luke 18:9-14



Check out this informative and lively class each Sunday from 9:15-10:15am. You are welcome to join either in-person or via Zoom. If you want to participate using Zoom, please reach out to the church office for the link.

### Share Your Musical Gifts!

Email Janet Hartz at [gjalaska@verizon.net](mailto:gjalaska@verizon.net)



### Volunteer \* Donate \* Shop

Wed & Fri—2 to 8pm / Thu & Sat— 10am to 4pm  
To volunteer or ask a question, email Barbara Polak at [rapbap00@yahoo.com](mailto:rapbap00@yahoo.com).

**Our Medical Equipment Loan Program is filling a need** in the community! Many pieces leave and return each week, making lives easier. To donate or request equipment, contact Eleanor Bateman at 301-461-7898.



**Poolesville Seniors! - Open to ALL** (mandatory registration) - [www.PoolesvilleSeniors.org](http://www.PoolesvilleSeniors.org), 301-875-7701

**REGULAR EVENTS:** Ping Pong, Walking, Seniors at Barre, Pickleball, Tai-Chi, Bridge, Zumba Gold, Golf Social at Crossvines, Knitting & Crocheting Instruction & Support, Trivia Game Night, Mahjong, Hip Hop, County Line Dancing, Chair One Fitness, Trail Hikes, Book Club, etc!

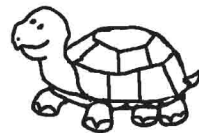
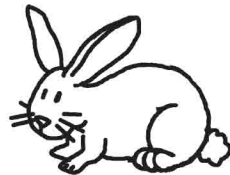
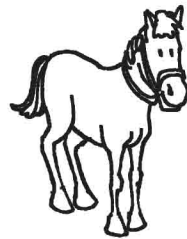
Poolesville  
Seniors!

### SPECIAL EVENTS:

- Oct 23 - **BASIC SEWING TECHNIQUES** - 10am-12pm
- Oct 24 - **PONTOON BOAT TOUR AT BLACK HILLS REGIONAL PARK** - 1-2pm
- Oct 29 - **SPOOKY SING-ALONG** - 3-5pm
- Nov 1 - **EMPOWER THROUGH MOVEMENT: ZUMBA FOR BREAST CANCER AWARENESS** - 3-5pm
- Nov 3 - **PING PONG/CORNHOLE AFTERNOON** - 1-3:30pm
- Nov 4 - **THE CIVIL WAR AND THE BIRTH OF THE US AIR FORCE** - 7-8pm
- Nov 5 - **BIRTHDAY CLUB CARD CRAFTING** - 9:30am-12:30pm

Jesus said, "God will see that His children get justice quickly."

In each box, **circle** the 1 that moves quickly.



## The Parable of the Persistent Widow

Jesus told a parable about a widow who came to court. The judge was unfair. He would not listen to her.

**Circle** the 5 differences in the 2nd picture.

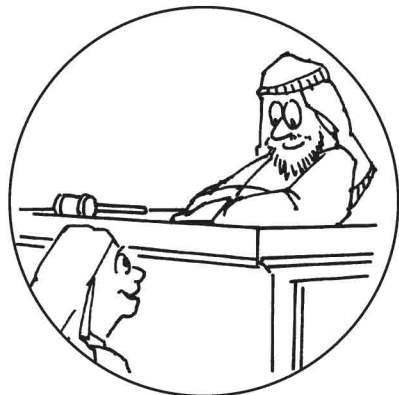
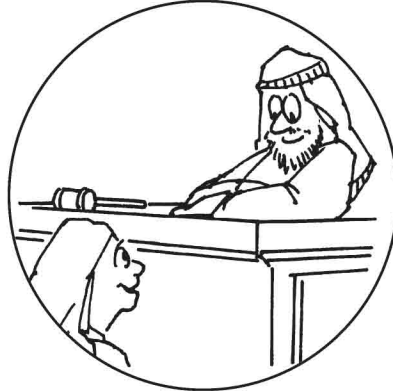


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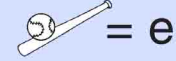
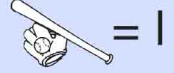
The widow would not give up.  
Finally, the judge listened.

Match the pictures.










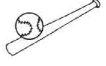
If even an unfair judge will finally  
listen, then so will God.

Use the code below to fill in the missing letters.



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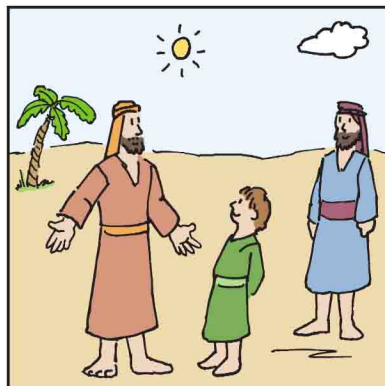
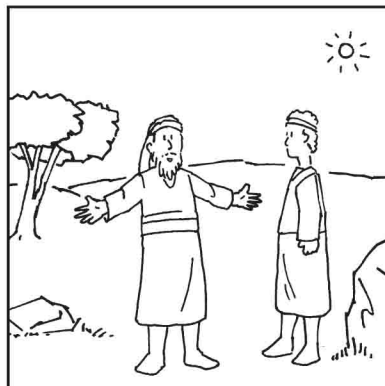
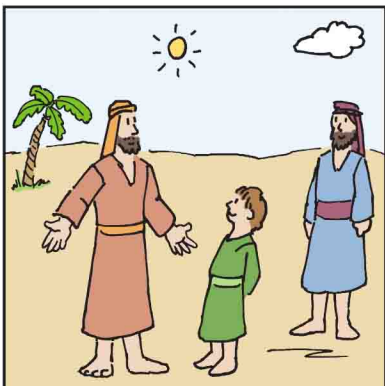
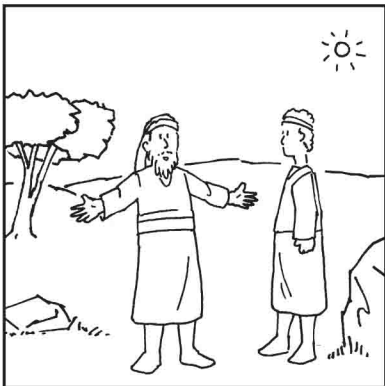
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will receive what is right.

Paul also tells Timothy  
to preach the Word.

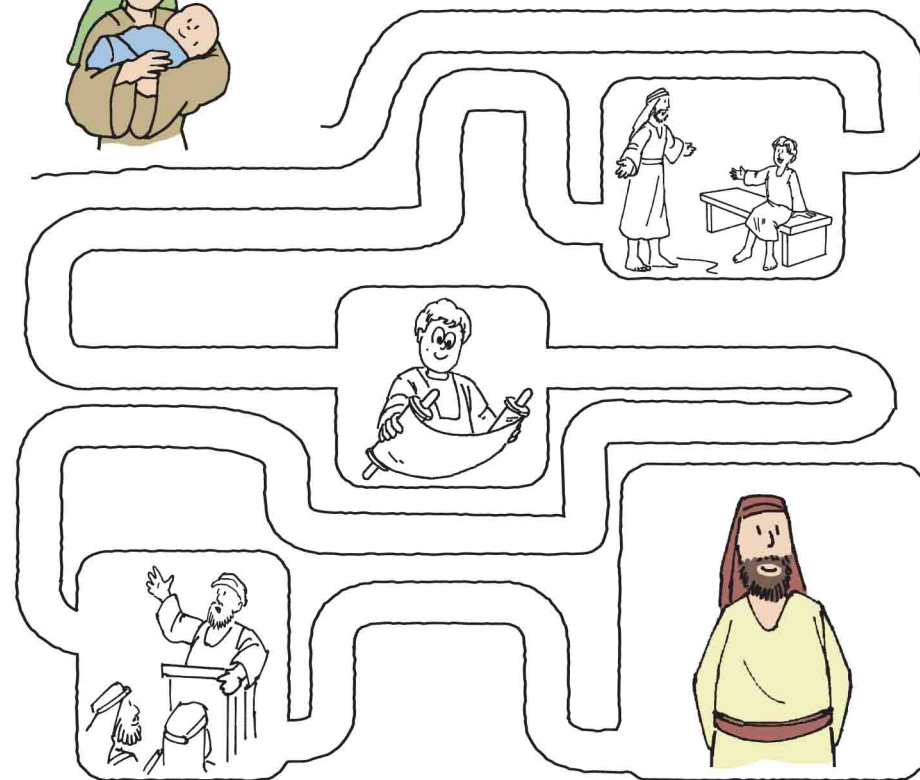
Match the pictures of Timothy preaching.



## Paul's Instructions to Timothy

Timothy learned  
the Scriptures from his youth.

Help Timothy grow in the Scriptures.



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The Scriptures are able to make you wise through faith.

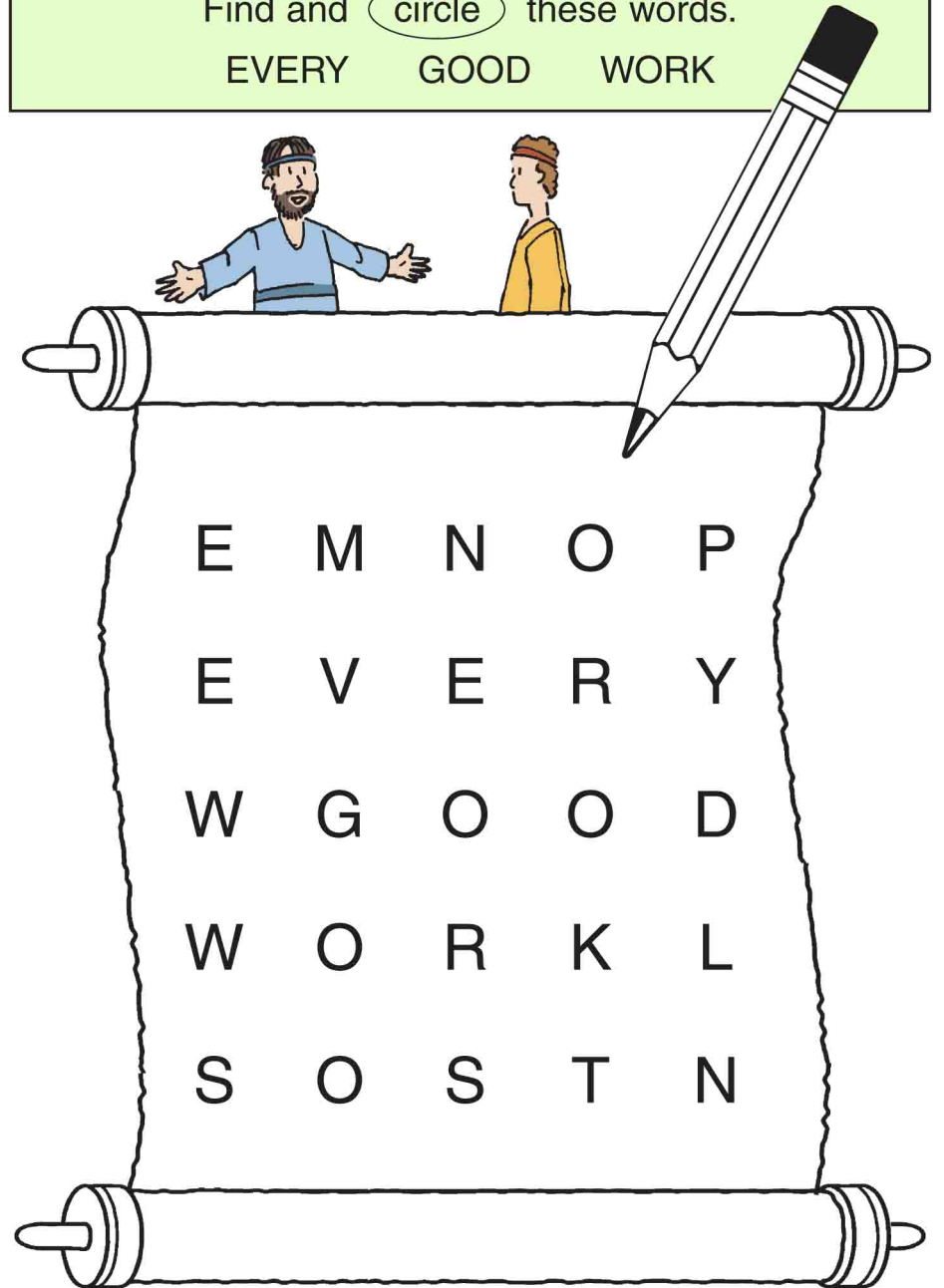
Circle the people reading the Scriptures.



Paul tells Timothy that the Scriptures will help him for ...

Find and circle these words.

EVERY GOOD WORK

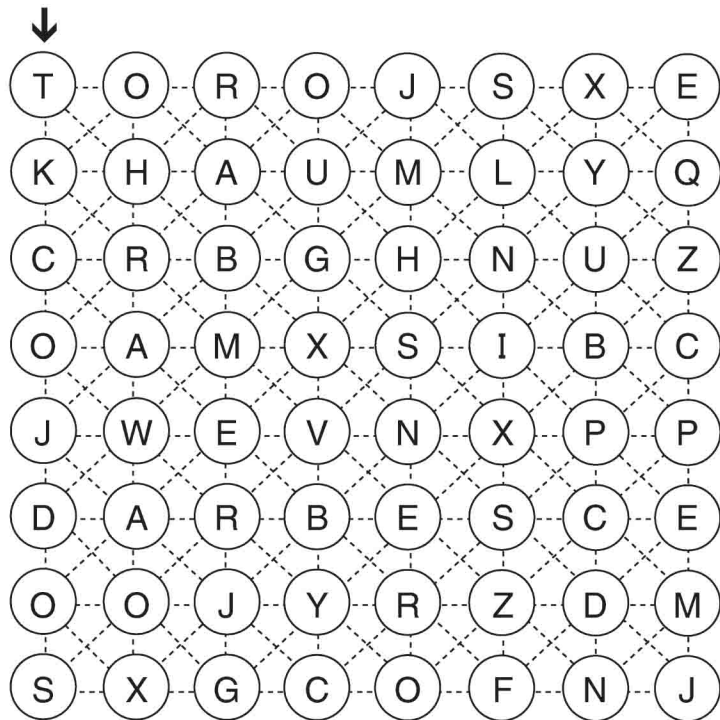




When we study the Scriptures, they help us to live wisely — to do what is right and good.

Starting at the arrow, find the underlined words.  
Draw solid lines between the letters.

Scripture helps us to be  
thoroughly equipped for every good work.



What list of instructions did Paul give Timothy?



Using the clues below, change some letters out to find the 8 instructions we would be wise to follow.  
W = E F = P M = R X = H J = D

- 1 FMWACX
- 2 BW FRWFAREJ
- 3 COMMWCT
- 4 MWBUKW
- 5 WNCOUMAGW
- 6 KWWF YOUM XWAJ
- 7 WNJURW XAMJSXIF
- 8 WVANGWLIZW



Read about these two people,  
then find the underlined words in the puzzle below.

They are ↑↓→←↖↗.

The judge neither feared  
God nor cared about  
people. The widow kept  
coming to the judge, asking  
him to grant her justice  
against her adversary.



W	D	E	B	L	I	D	K	F	I	C	A	R	E	D
Y	I	V	E	L	P	O	E	P	R	O	E	G	K	I
R	R	D	K	J	D	J	O	F	P	M	T	P	N	C
A	F	N	O	I	G	Q	J	L	M	I	S	P	A	G
S	R	E	P	W	C	S	U	T	H	N	K	N	E	E
R	S	A	V	I	M	R	D	U	L	G	A	J	F	K
E	F	O	G	V	E	C	G	O	D	O	C	H	L	D
V	F	B	Y	H	N	R	E	H	P	J	A	E	N	E
D	K	T	T	P	S	E	C	I	T	S	U	J	O	R
A	V	I	M	C	L	G	I	E	R	M	P	H	G	A
K	E	G	E	B	J	A	H	F	D	O	E	Q	B	E
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## What happened next?

Use the code to find out.

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
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

The judge said, “5 22 5 14 20 8 15 21 7 8

9 4 15 14 20 6 5 1 18 7 15 4

15 18 3 1 18 5 1 2 15 21 20

16 5 15 16 12 5 25 5 20

2 5 3 1 21 19 5 20 8 9 19

23 9 4 15 23 11 5 5 16 19

2 15 20 8 5 18 9 14 7 13 5

9 23 9 12 12 19 5 5 20 8 1 20

19 8 5 7 5 20 19 10 21 19 20 9 3 5

19 15 20 8 1 20 19 8 5 23 15 14 20

5 22 5 14 20 21 1 12 12 25 23 5 1 18

13 5 15 21 20 23 9 20 8

8 5 18 3 15 13 9 14 7!”

