

# WELCOME

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**Poolesville Memorial United Methodist Church**

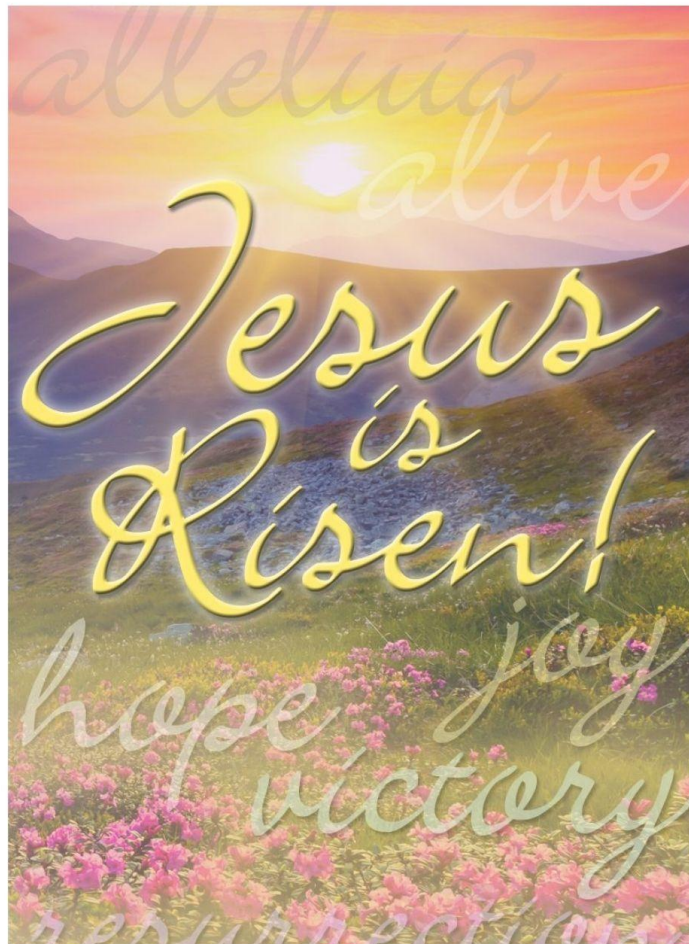
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**Easter Sunday — April 5, 2026**  
Worship Service — 10:30 am



**"Go & Tell"**

 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

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**GREETERS**—Cindy McCraith and Steve McCraith

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

*Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

by Sullivan/McDonald

*As It Began to Dawn*

by Lani Smith

Linda Custer

**WORSHIP SERVICE**

**ACOLYTE**—Isabel S.

**WELCOME**—Introductions and Prayer

Rev. Timothy Dowell

**PRELUDE MUSIC**—*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

by Elvey/McDonald/Larson

PIANO/ORGAN DUET

Janet Hartz/Linda Custer

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

led by Beth Parker

**LEADER:** Christ is risen!

**PEOPLE:** ***God's steadfast love endures forever.***

**LEADER:** Death never gets the final word.

**PEOPLE:** ***God's steadfast love endures forever.***

**LEADER:** Rejoice in this day of salvation.

**PEOPLE:** ***God's steadfast love endures forever. Alleluia!***

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

led by Beth Parker

***Living God, rejoicing in this day of resurrection, we have come to celebrate the strength of your love— a love that triumphs even over death.***

***As we exult in the miracle of your incarnate love, we thank you for the opportunity to encounter the Risen Christ here in our midst. Amen.***

**\*OPENING HYMN**—***Christ the Lord Is Risen Today***

UMH 302

verse 1=ALL; verse 2=WOMEN; verse 3=MEN; verses 4, 5, and 6=ALL

**FIRST READING—1 Peter 3:13-22**

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

Pam Flick

**CHORAL ANTHEM—*The Empty Tomb*** from Cantata

*Upon This Rock: The Passion, The Question, The Call*

by Pepper Choplin  
Chancel Choir

**SECOND READING—Matthew 28:1-10**

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

Rev. Timothy Dowell

**MESSAGE—*Go & Tell***

Rev. Timothy Dowell

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE—*The Day of Resurrection***

UMH 303

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

**OFFERING—*offering plate in Spurrier Hall***

Rev. Timothy Dowell

**\*DOXOLOGY—*Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow***

UMH 94

**COMMUNION WITH SUNG RESPONSE**

***A Service of Word & Table II—Musical Setting C***  
***The Lord's Prayer***

Rev. Timothy Dowell  
UMH pgs. 12-15, 20-22  
UMH 895

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS DURING COMMUNION**

***Easter People, Raise Your Voices***  
***The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done***  
***Christ Is Risen***  
***He Lives***  
***Up From the Grave He Arose***

Linda Custer  
UMH 304  
UMH 306  
UMH 307  
UMH 310  
UMH 322

**\*CLOSING HYMN—*Thine Be the Glory***

UMH 308

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

**POSTLUDE MUSIC—*Thine Is The Glory***

by Handel/Hayes/Gaspard  
Linda Custer



**Happy Easter!**

**He Is Risen!**

**Lyrics to Choral Anthem  
“The Empty Tomb”  
from the Cantata,  
“Upon This Rock:  
The Passion, The Question, The Call”  
by Pepper Choplin**

I look ahead, the tomb is open,  
I see the stone is rolled away.  
I step inside the cold and darkened room  
and see where the body had been laid.  
He is not here, where have they taken Him?  
And who would come do such a thing?  
Though I'm confused and I am shaken,  
I will soon understand what all this means.

The empty tomb is filled with mystery.  
How did He die, then rise up from the grave?  
The empty tomb is full of victory,  
for He arose and lives today.

The open tomb waits to receive us,  
for all who live will one day die.  
But all who live as true believers  
will share the resurrection with Christ.  
We'll share the resurrection with Christ!

The empty tomb is filled with mystery.  
How did He die and rise up from the grave?  
The empty tomb is full of victory,  
for He arose and lives today.

The empty tomb is filled with hallelujahs.  
The pow'r of death is banished from the grave.  
The empty tomb is filled with victory,  
for He arose and lives today.

We rise today with grateful praise  
to celebrate the empty tomb!

**Happy Easter!**



**Welcome to everyone!**

A special welcome to our visitors – whether you are here with family while visiting for the Holiday or if you are here because the Spirit moved you to join us – we are thankful for your presence and hope you come back to join us again!

If you are looking for a warm and inviting church home, Poolesville Memorial United Methodist just may be what you are looking for.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Tim at [PastorTim@pmumc.org](mailto:PastorTim@pmumc.org) or contact the church office at 301-349-2010.

## UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

<b>Sun – Apr 5</b> <i>Easter Sunday</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am <b>10:30 - 11:30 am</b>	Sunday School (Adult, Child/Youth)- <b>Rms 2, 3, 4, 6</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <b>Rooms 8 then Sanctuary</b> Nursery- <b>Room 5</b> <b>Worship Service w/Communion-Sanctuary/YouTube</b>
<b>Mon – Apr 6</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 – Apr 7</b>	10:30 - 11:30 am 7 - 8 pm	Tai Chi—Poolesville Seniors– <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Men’s Group Meeting– <b>Room 6 and via Zoom</b>
<b>Wed – Apr 8</b>	9 - 10 am 7:30 - 9 pm	Body Sculpting—Poolesville Seniors– <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal– <b>CANCELLED</b>
<b>Thu – Apr 9</b>	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim– <b>via ZOOM</b> Zumba– <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Independent Order of Odd Fellows #97 Mtg– <b>Rm 6</b>
<b>Fri – Apr 10</b>	TBD	Set-Up for Tom Dillingham’s Celebration of Life– <b>FH</b>
<b>Sat – Apr 11</b>	11am - 4 pm 1 - 4 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Tom Dillingham’s Celebration of Life- <b>Sanct/FHI/K</b> The Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry- <b>Onsite</b> Line Dancing - Poolesville Seniors– <b>Fellowship Hall</b>
<b>Sun – Apr 12</b> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am <b>10:30 - 11:30 am</b> 3 - 4:30 pm	Sunday School (Adult, Child/Youth)- <b>Rms 2, 3, 4, 6</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <b>Rooms 8 then Sanctuary</b> Nursery- <b>Room 5</b> <b>Worship Service-Sanctuary/YouTube</b> Senior Girl Scout Troop #32009 – <b>Room 1</b>
<b>Mon – Apr 13</b>	9 -11:30 am 5:30 - 6:30 pm 5:30 – 6:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Caregivers Support Group Meeting– <b>Noah’ 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 – Apr 14</b>	10:30 - 11:30 am 4 - 9 pm 7 - 9 pm	Tai Chi—Poolesville Seniors– <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Quilters Guild Fabric Sale & Meeting– <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Church Council Meeting– <b>Room 6</b>
<b>Wed – Apr 15</b>	9 - 10 am 7:30 - 9 pm	Body Sculpting—Poolesville Seniors– <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal– <b>CANCELLED</b>

## UPCOMING HAPPENINGS - CONTINUED

<b>Thu – Apr 16</b>	9 am - 5 pm 6:30 – 9 pm 7 – 8 pm 7 – 8 pm	Mobile Health Clinic/LCSW Therapy-WUMCO- <b>PL/NA</b> Poolesville Day Committee Meeting– <b>Room 6</b> Review/Preview with Pastor Tim– <b>via ZOOM</b> Zumba– <b>Fellowship Hall</b>
<b>Sat – Apr 18</b>	1 - 4 pm	The Friendly Thrift Shop– <b>Onsite</b>
<b>Sun – Apr 19</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of</b> <b>Easter</b>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am <b>10:30 - 11:30 am</b>	Sunday School (Adult, Child/Youth)- <b>Rms 2, 3, 4, 6</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <b>Rooms 8 then Sanctuary</b> Nursery- <b>Room 5</b> <b>Worship Service w/Communion-Sanctuary/YouTube</b>

SCHEDULE	April 12 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter <i>Chancel Choir</i>	April 19 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter <i>Bell Choir/Fellowship Time</i>	April 26 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter <i>Chancel Choir/Children's Moment</i>
<b>Liturgist</b>	Betty Jean Selby Wendy Huff	Erin Smeller Scott McGrew	Eleanor Bateman Kirsten Lewis
<b>Acolyte</b>	Nicole L.	Grace H.	Sam L.
<b>Greeters</b>	<i>Available</i>	Cindy McCraith Steve McCraith	<i>Available</i>

### Children's Moment-4<sup>th</sup> Sunday



Children of all ages learn from Ms. Betty's messages of God's love!



**Mowing** Sign-Up Sheet is posted on the bulletin board outside of the Fellowship Hall. Any questions, see Gary Hartz.



**Church Directories are HERE!** Please pick up your copy after church today! Any questions, call

the church office at 301-349-2010.



### Review/Preview – Study

Sundays' scriptures on Thursday evenings at 7pm with Pastor Tim over Zoom. No prep needed! To connect, email [PastorTim@pmumc.org](mailto:PastorTim@pmumc.org).



### Painted Easter Rocks

– Last Sunday, rocks were painted and hidden inside and outside of church. Additional ones were left by the main door. If you find one, please take it and enjoy. Happy Easter!



**Helping Hands** – On Sat., April 25<sup>th</sup>, Helping Hands will bring life back to a home for someone that is no longer able to maintain their residence. All types of help is needed from roofers to general helpers. Work will be completed from 8am to 4pm. If you can donate even one hour of your time, it would be greatly appreciated! Contact Link Hoewing at 202-365-4749 to get the address.

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**Vacation Bible School – Mark your calendars!** This summer we will be participating in the Snowball Mountain Challenge VBS program from Mon., June 22 through Thu., June 25, 6-8pm

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**FOOD DRIVE** – Thank you to all that participated in the Christian Education sponsored food drive for WUMCO! If you still have a bag to return of non-perishable food, please drop it off in our lobby.

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**Backpack Bites helps feed 35 families in the Poolesville High School Cluster on a weekly basis.** Here are ways to help:

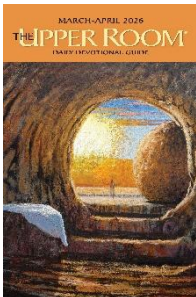
- **PACK** bags each month for delivery to PES and MES at Poolesville Presbyterian Church on **April 11 and May 9 starting at 9am.**
  - **DELIVER** packed bags each Thursday - picked them up at Poolesville Presbyterian and delivered to PES and MES. Sign up to help at: [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054CA5AC2EA2FB6-58859141-backpack.](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054CA5AC2EA2FB6-58859141-backpack)
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**Poolesville Seniors! - Open to All (mandatory registration) 301-875-7701**



**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!

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Mon., April 6 **Luke 13:1-9** *Late Bloomers*  
 Tue., April 7 **John 4:4-14** *Living Water*  
 Wed., April 8 **Colossians 3:12-17** *Making the Rounds*  
 Thu., April 9 **Exodus 14:10-14** *A Stranger's Blessing*  
 Fri., April 10 **Acts 2:1-4** *Moved by the Spirit*  
 Sat., April 11 **Matthew 25:31-40** *Feeding Jesus*  
 Sun., April 12 **Hebrews 11:8-10** *No Permanent Home*

# 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, 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

### 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

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#### AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING

(last 8 weeks)  
**\$7,024.65**

### 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



Jesus is at ...

Use the code to fill in the missing letters.



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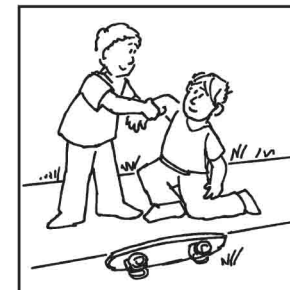
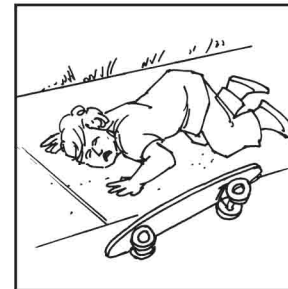
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Even when you suffer you are blessed.

Match the opposite pictures of sufferings and blessings.

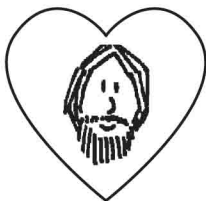
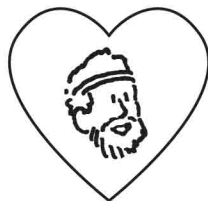
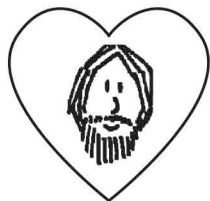
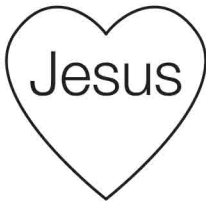
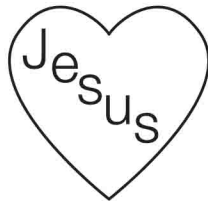
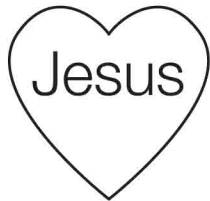
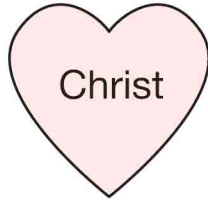


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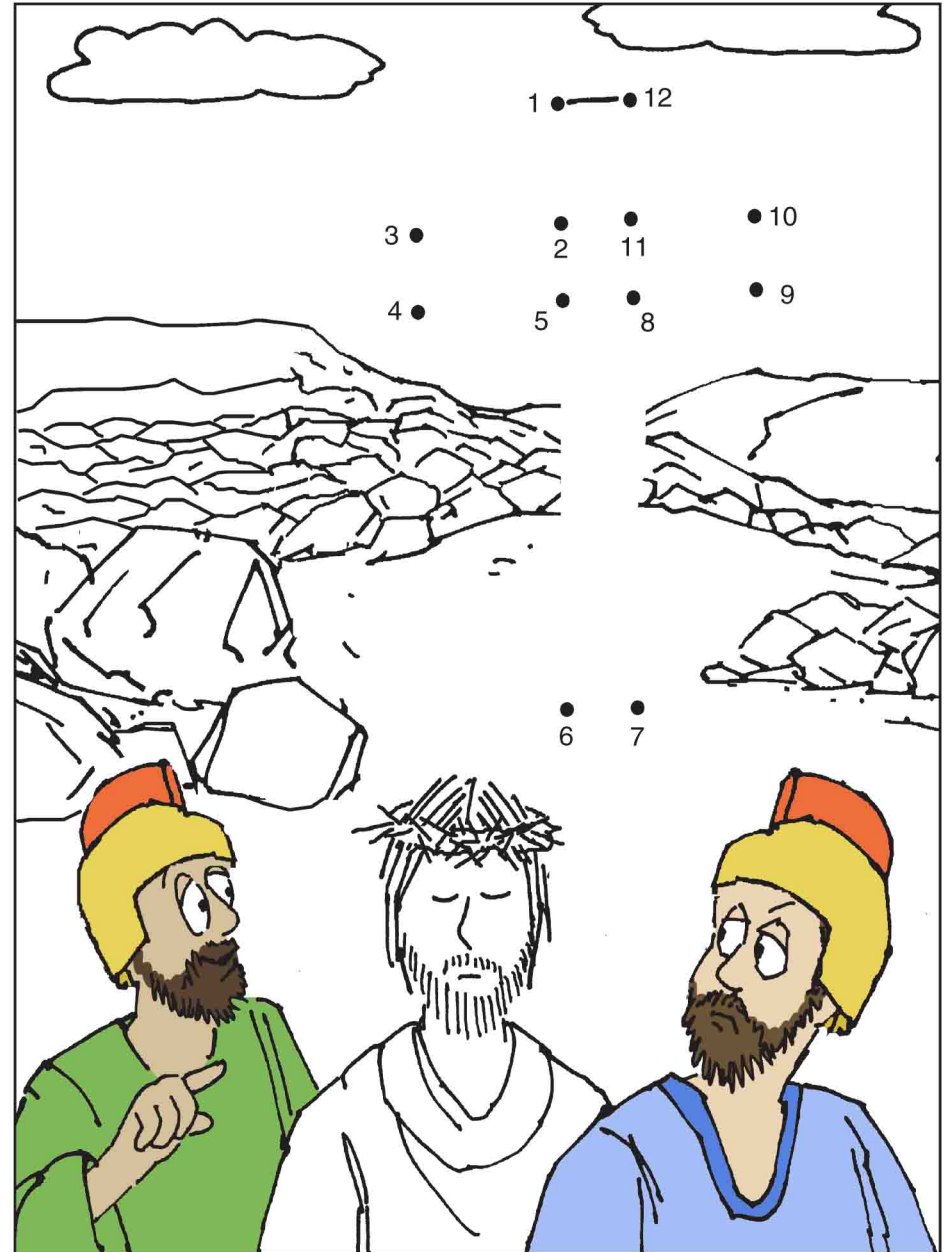
“In your hearts set apart Christ as Lord.”

Circle the 2 that are alike in each row.



Christ suffered to bring us to God.

Connect the dots. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12



Suddenly Jesus met them.  
 "Greetings," He said. They came to Him,  
 hugged His feet and worshiped Him.

In each row, **circle** the 2 pictures that match.



Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid.  
 Go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee; there  
 they will see Me."



Jesus Is Risen

At dawn Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. The ground shook, and an angel came down from heaven. He rolled the stone from the tomb and sat on it.

**Circle** the hidden letters. **A N G E L**



His appearance was like lightning, and his  
 clothes were white as snow.

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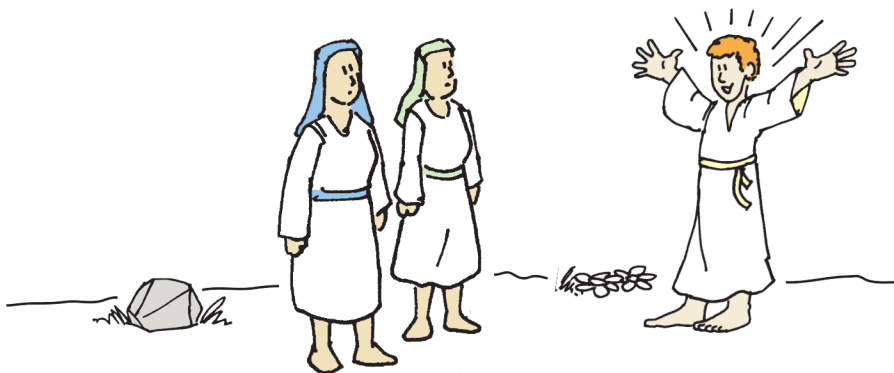
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The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ...

Write the letter “H” on each of the lines below.

... \_\_\_\_\_ e is not here; \_\_\_\_\_ e has risen, just as \_\_\_\_\_ e said. Come and see the place where \_\_\_\_\_ e lay.

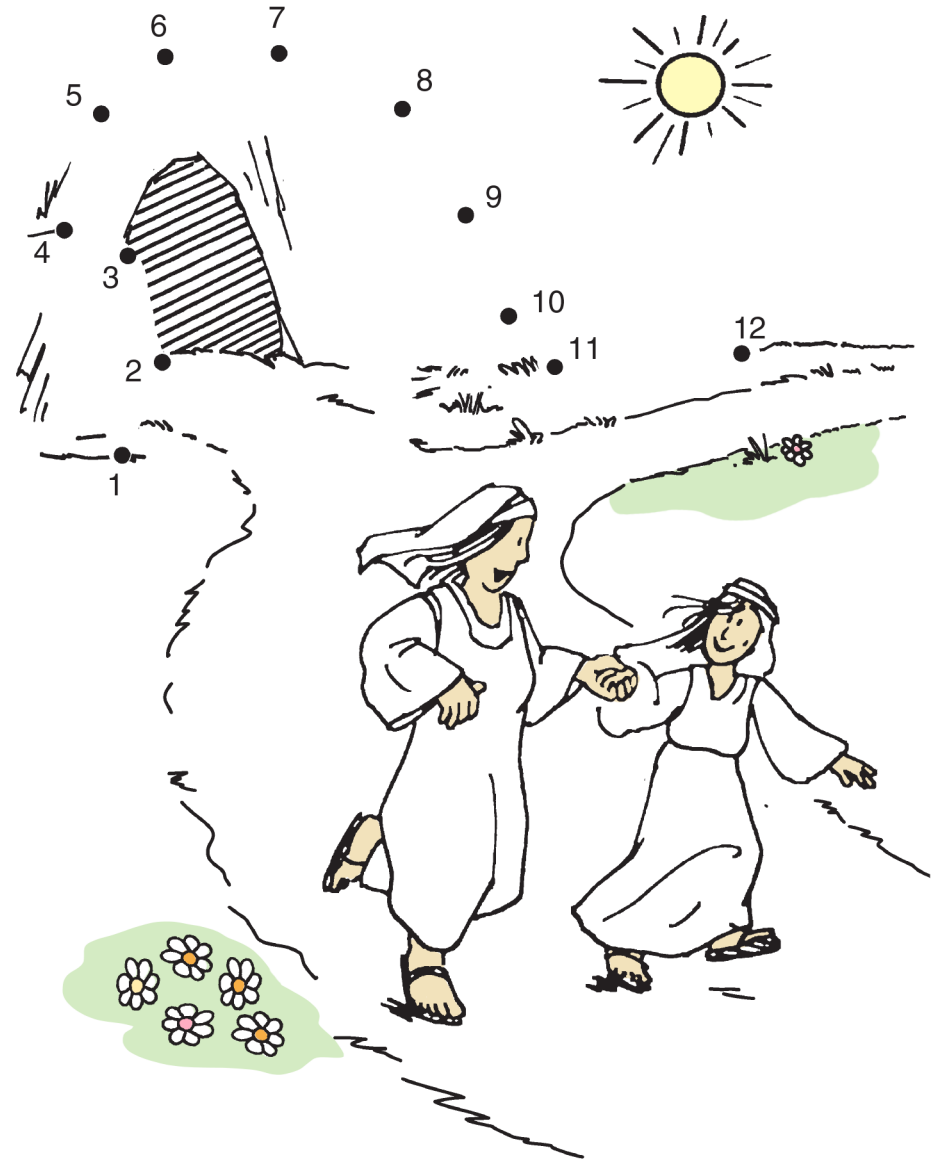
Then go quickly and tell \_\_\_\_\_ is disciples: ‘ \_\_\_\_\_ e has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see \_\_\_\_\_ im.’ Now I have told you.”

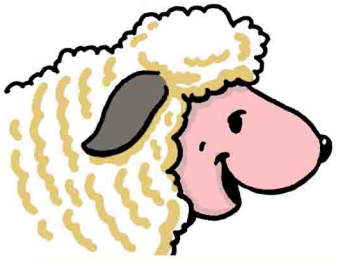


So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell His disciples.

Connect the dots.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12





The Flood of Genesis symbolized baptism. What is baptism?

Write the letter that comes alphabetically before the given letter.

C B Q U J T N J T

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O P U U I F

S F N P W B M P G

E J S U G S P N

U I F C P E Z C V U

U I F Q M F E H F

P G B H P P E

D P O T D J F O D F

U P X B S E

H P E”



## You Are Blessed!

God listens to our prayers and blesses us. What does He expect of us – whether or not we are rewarded by others for it?

Place the letters of God in the boxes. Follow the lines to see where the letters belong.

A maze puzzle with three clouds at the top containing the letters G, O, and D. Lines connect these letters to boxes at the bottom. The lines are: a solid line from G to the first box, a dashed line from O to the second box, a solid line from D to the third box, a dashed line from G to the fourth box, a solid line from O to the fifth box, and a solid line from D to the sixth box.

Peter tells us to give a reason for our hope!

When we tell about our hope we share the light.  
Supply missing letters to spell different types of lights.  
Place the letters in order in the sentence.

1

NI\_\_HT LIGHT

B\_\_ACON

\_\_EON LIGHT

\_\_RAFFIC LIGHT

F\_\_UORESCENT LIGHT

H\_\_ADLIGHT

LA\_\_TERN

S\_\_ARCHLIGHT

\_\_POTLIGHT

FLA\_\_HLIGHT



2

CHANDELIE\_\_

D\_\_SK LAMP

\_\_UNLAMP

\_\_ILOT LIGHT

FLAR\_\_

IN\_\_ANDECENT LIGHT

\_\_ORCH

“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with

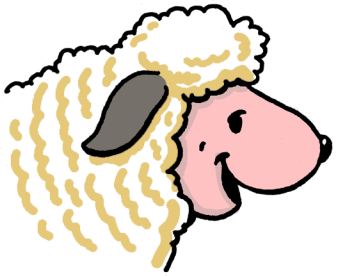
1) \_\_\_\_\_  
and 2) \_\_\_\_\_.”

It is possible to suffer for doing wrong or for doing right. It is better to suffer for doing right.

Complete the poem. Use a word from the list that rhymes with the underlined word in the line that follows it.

cries	spear	strong	wormwood
despise	fear	throng	misunderstood
criticize	cheer	furlong	could
lies	hear	wrong	should

Punishment is in order  
when we do \_\_\_\_\_,  
But praises to the good belong.  
At times we are \_\_\_\_\_  
Even when we are doing good.  
People slander and \_\_\_\_\_,  
Bringing bitter tears to our eyes.  
Peter reminds us that we \_\_\_\_\_,  
In spite of them, do what's good.  
Not complain or suffer \_\_\_\_\_,  
But strive to keep our conscience clear.



Suddenly, Jesus met them. "Greetings," He said. They came to Him, clasped His feet and worshiped Him.

Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see Me."



Help Mary Magdalene and Mary reach all the disciples. Follow the numbers 1 to 11 to move from each block to the next. Move in these directions → ← ↑ ↓ (no diagonal moves).

				①	2	3	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	9
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# Children's Worship Bulletin™

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April 5, 2026 • Matthew 28:1-10

## Jesus Is Risen

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, ...

Write the first letter of each picture on the line above it.

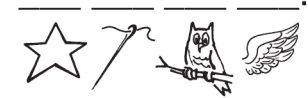
... for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like



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The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ...

Use the code to write the letters on the blanks.

† = H

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... **†** e is not **†** ere; **†** e **†** as risen,

just as **†** e said. Come and see t**†** e

place w**†** ere **†** e lay. T**†** en go

quickly and tell **†** is disciples:

'**†** e **†** as risen from t**†** e dead and

is going a**†** ead of you into Galilee.

T**†** ere you will see **†** im.'

Now I **†** ave told you."



So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell His disciples.

Connect the dots from 1 to 36.

