

## OUR PURPOSE



*Loving God  
Welcoming All  
Serving Neighbors  
Together through  
Jesus Christ*

## DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Sun., Dec 3 - **ISAIAH 53:1-12** *1st Sunday of Advent*  
 Mon., Dec 4 - **LUKE 10:38-42** *Making Time for God*  
 Tue., Dec 5 - **GENESIS 15:1-6** *Stepping Out in Faith*  
 Wed., Dec 6 - **ISAIAH 40:1-11** *Prepare Him Room*  
 Thu., Dec 7 - **EPHESIANS 3:14-21** *Something New*  
 Fri., Dec 8 - **PSALM 40:1-5** *What We Cannot Express*  
 Sat., Dec 9 - **GENESIS 1:1-13** *God's Creation*

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## OFFICE INFORMATION

### GENERAL QUESTIONS & PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

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### EMERGENCIES

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## CHURCH GIVING

**AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING** *(last 8 weeks)*  
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### 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 entrance
- **ELECTRONICALLY** via [PMUMC.org](http://PMUMC.org)

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*First Sunday of Advent  
December 3, 2023*

HOPE



*The Bottom Line*



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

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

*Comfort, Comfort Now My People* [Genevan Psalter 1551]

Linda Custer  
 by Bourgeois/Shackley

**Worship Service**

Nicole L., Acolyte

**WELCOME**—Introductions and Prayer

**PRELUDE MUSIC—PIANO DUET**

*Of The Father's Love Begotten* [Plainsong 13th century]

Linda Custer/Janet Hartz  
 by Larry Shackley

**ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY**—*Christ Be Our Light!*

by Farrell/Raney

**INTROIT—CHANCEL CHOIR**—*Christ Be Our Light!*

by Bernadette Farrell

**\*RESPONSIVE LITANY, 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY**—*Hope for Those Who Wait*

led by Pam Flick

**LEADER:** Advent is a time for the human heart to wait, while trusting God's eternal time.

**PEOPLE:** **How long, O Lord, how long?**

**LEADER:** For those waiting for answered prayer:

**PEOPLE:** **Grant your steadfast patience.**

**LEADER:** For those waiting in the face of uncertainty:

**PEOPLE:** **Grant unshakable confidence in your sovereign provision.**

**LEADER:** For those waiting for justice and mercy to reign:

**PEOPLE:** **Grant a glimpse of your glory in our wounded world.**

**LEADER:** For all of us waiting for God's kingdom to come:

**PEOPLE:** **Grant that we might have the peace of Christ as we wait, the love of Christ as we act, and the grace of Christ as we speak.**

**\*CANDLE LIGHTING**

Scott & Dianna McGrew

**\*CONGREGATIONAL CHORAL RESPONSE**

see insert

**\*PRAYER**

led by Pam Flick

*God of all creation, we declare that you are the Eternal One. We confess to you, O Lord, that we easily grow impatient, when your word to us is to wait. Ignite within us a new and everlasting-hope. We pray this in the name of Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

**\*OPENING HYMN**—*Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

UMH 196

**FIRST READING**—*1 Corinthians 1:3-9*

Brenda Boulter

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

**ANTHEM—CHANCEL CHOIR**

*The Promise* (lyrics on back of insert)

Janet Hartz  
 by Russell Nagy

**SECOND READING**—*Mark 13:24-37*

Rev. Timothy Dowell

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

**SERMON**—*The Bottom Line*

Rev. Timothy Dowell

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE**—*O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright*

UMH 247

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

Rev. Timothy Dowell

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

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

UMH 95

**\*COMMUNION**—*A Service of Word & Table II w/Musical Setting C*

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**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

UMH 895

**\*COMMUNION HYMNS**

Various Hymns

Linda Custer  
 UMH and TFWS

**\*CLOSING HYMN**—*Soon and Very Soon*

UMH 706

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Timothy Dowell

**POSTLUDE MUSIC**

*Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying*

Linda Custer  
 by Gilbert M. Martin

**Up-Coming Week's Scripture Readings**



Isaiah 40:1-11 ● Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13  
 2 Peter 3:8-15a ● Mark 1:1-8



**Send prayer request to**  
[prayers@PMUMC.org](mailto:prayers@PMUMC.org)

SCHEDULE	DECEMBER 10 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent 10:30 am	DECEMBER 17 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent 10:30 am	DECEMBER 24 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent 10:30 am	DECEMBER 24 Christmas Eve 7 pm
LITURGIST	Beth Parker David Melton	Betty Jean Selby Gary Hartz	Erin Smeller Ralph Hitchens	Brenda Boulter Kirsten Lewis
ACOLYTE	Sam L.	Isabel S.	Nicole L.	Addison S.

## “THE PROMISE”

by Russell Nagy

Darkness takes flight, the Light is welling;  
Prophets foretell the One to come.  
In virgin womb the Sign is swelling,  
Immanuel and holy One.

Come! Come! Hope of all nations;  
Come! Come! Holy One.  
Come! Come! Horn of salvation;  
One! One! Holy One!  
Come for your people on earth.

Rod from the root of Jesse taken;  
Pillar of flame, our daily guide.  
Lamb that bides silent and forsaken;  
Ram that the Father's hand provides.

Come! Come! Hope of all nations;  
Come! Come! Holy One!  
Come! Come! Horn of salvation;  
Come! Come! Holy One!  
Come for your people on earth.

Silently by night,  
In mortal flesh enshrouded,  
He who framed the mountains draws first breath.  
Far from human sight,  
The Promise ne'er forgotten  
Is in love begotten, to conquer death.

Silently by night,  
In mortal flesh enshrouded.  
He who framed the mountains draws first breath;  
Far from human sight,  
The Promise ne'er forgotten  
Is in love begotten, Son and Savior, King!

Born for a world in sin and darkness,  
Jesus foretells the wrath to come.  
Days of distress, yet He has promised,  
“Be not afraid, for I will come.”

Come! Come! Hope of all nations:  
Come! Come! Holy One!  
Come! Come! Horn of salvation;  
One! One! Holy One!  
Come for your people on earth. Come!

## Christ, Be Our Light!

*A Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent*

Words and Music by  
BERNADETTE FARRELL

### Congregation:



Christ, be our light! Shine in our



hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.



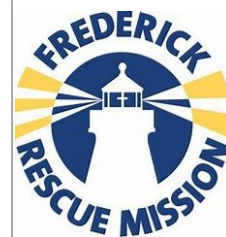
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Church gath - ered to - day.

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**Can you Help?** We feed the Frederick Rescue Mission residents the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month. We need food donations, someone to pick the food up from church and get it to the Mission and then we need servers.

This month we will be serving Pasta Casseroles, Garlic Bread and a Large Salad.

To sign up visit...


<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4dacab28aaf8c70-frederick#/>

 **Thank you** to all that helped last Sunday!


 **Sunday School**  
9:15 am - 10:15 am  
Kid's start in Room 1  
Adults in Room 6

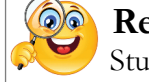
 **We will assist 8 local families with their Christmas celebration**  
Sign-Up after worship today for both gifts and/or food items. Please bring all gifts (please wrap) and food donations to church by Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

 **ALL ARE INVITED—December 10<sup>th</sup> right after church**  
**Sunday School Christmas Program & Potluck**  
Please bring a main dish to share. Dessert will be provided!


 **To Help Pack or Deliver to PES or MES visit:**  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094AA8A82CA75-44957977-backpack>  
**Food Donations Needed:** Plain instant oatmeal, Canned vegetables, Single serve fruit cups, Treats (granola bars, cheese crackers), 8 oz shelf stable low-fat milk, Rice (1 lb bag), Pasta (1 lb), Mac & Cheese (box), Peanut Butter (16 oz), Dry Beans (1 lb), Canned Tuna, Canned Chicken. Questions reach out to Catherine Beliveau at [crbeliveau@gmail.com](mailto:crbeliveau@gmail.com).


 **Need a Ride** to church? Email [Scott.McGrew@aol.com](mailto:Scott.McGrew@aol.com) or [office@pmumc.org](mailto:office@pmumc.org)


 **Men's Group** Meet 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays in Rm 6 at 7pm. We are reading "Play the Man: Becoming the Man God Created You to Be," by Mark Batterson. If you need a copy of the book, contact the office.


 **Review/Preview** Study Sundays' scriptures with Pastor Tim, Thursdays @7pm on Zoom. For link email [pastortim@pmumc.org](mailto:pastortim@pmumc.org). **NO prep required!**

**Friendly Thrift Shop**

 **Thank you** to those who already signed up to help with our Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> Community Dinner **We still need a few more helpers:**  
Tue., 12/5— 2-4pm, Food Prepper  
Wed., 12/6— 3-5 pm— Bakers & Food Preppers  
4-5:30 pm— Dishwasher  
5:30-7 pm— Dishwashers  
7-8 pm— Clean Uppers & Dishwashers  
**To sign up** go to [www.SignUpGenius.com](http://www.SignUpGenius.com)—search using "Office@pmumc.org"

 **Live Nativity**  
**Sat., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30 pm**  
Stable Set-Up will be Sat., Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 10am-12pm  
Final Set-Up will be Saturday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 4-6pm.  
Sign up to be in the scene after church today.  
Questions? Email Ellie at [EleanorGBateman@gmail.com](mailto:EleanorGBateman@gmail.com)

 **Nursery**(6mo-4yr)  
10:15-11:45 am  
Room 5

 **Bring Joy - Join the Choir**  
Wed. Rehearsals, 7:30-9pm  
Contact Janet Hartz with questions at [gjalaska@verizon.net](mailto:gjalaska@verizon.net).

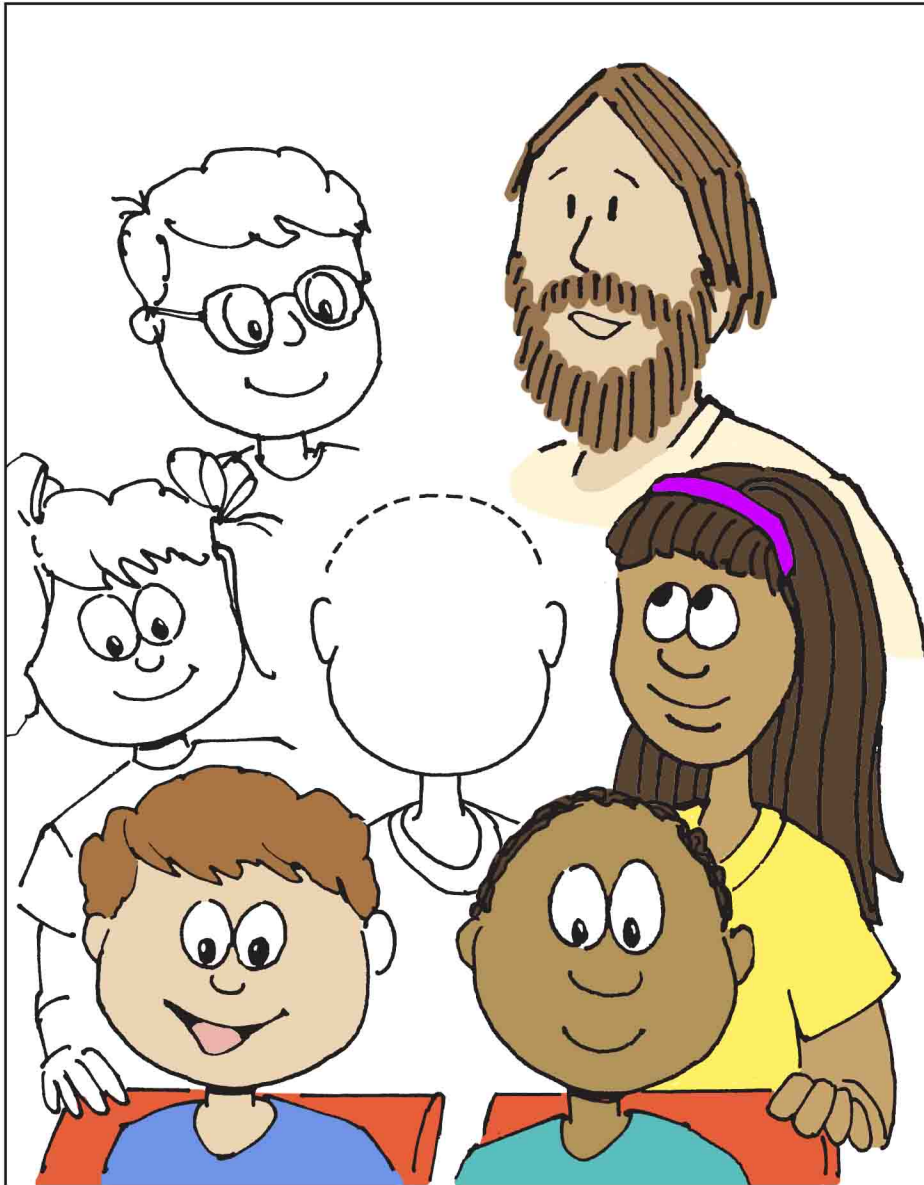
*Christmas Eve Worship 7pm*

**DONATE. SHOP. HELP.**  
Wednesdays & Fridays, 2-8pm  
Thursdays & Saturdays, 10am-4pm  
PMUMC receives generous monetary donations from sales generated at the Thrift Shop which go to help fund our ministries.

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS		
<b>SUN - DEC. 3</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Sunday School - <b>Rm 1, 2, 3, 4, (6 &amp; Zoom for Adults)</b> Nursery - <b>Room 5</b> Worship Service - <b>Sanctuary/YouTube</b>
<b>MON - DEC 4</b>	10 am - 12 pm 6 - 7 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Food Pick-up - <b>Kitchen</b> Girl Scout Troop #32095 Meeting - <b>Room 1</b> Grief Service - <b>Sanctuary</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal - <b>Spurrier Hall</b>
<b>TUE - DEC 5</b>	9 am - 12 pm 2 - 4 pm 6 - 7 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Organ Tuning - <b>Sanctuary</b> Food Prep for Community Dinner - <b>Kitchen</b> Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting - <b>Room 1</b> Men's Group Meeting - <b>Room 6 and Zoom</b> Set-Up for Community Dinner - <b>FH/Kitchen</b>
<b>WED - DEC 6</b>	3 - 5:30 pm 5:30 - 7 pm 7:30 - 9 pm	Set-Up for Community Dinner - <b>FH/Kitchen</b> Community Dinner-ALL WELCOME!- <b>FH/Kitchen</b> Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <b>Room 8</b>
<b>THU - DEC 7</b>	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview - <b>Via Zoom</b> Zumba - <b>Fellowship Hall</b>
<b>SAT - DEC. 9</b>	10 am - 12 pm 10 am - 4 pm 1 - 4 pm	Set-Up Stable for Live Nativity - <b>Front Yard</b> Odd Fellow's Christmas Luncheon for Seniors (starts 12:30pm) - <b>FH</b> Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry - <b>On Location</b>
<b>SUN - DEC. 10</b> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Sunday School - <b>Rm 1, 2, 3, 4, (6 &amp; Zoom for Adults)</b> Nursery - <b>Room 5</b> Worship Service - <b>Sanctuary/YouTube</b> Christmas Program & Potluck - ALL INVITED- <b>FH/Kit</b>
<b>MON - DEC 11</b>	10 am - 12 pm 4:30 - 6 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Food Pick-up - <b>Kitchen</b> Girl Scout Troop #32009 Meeting - <b>Room 1</b> Bell Choir Rehearsal - <b>Spurrier Hall</b>
<b>TUE - DEC 12</b>	6 - 7 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting - <b>Room 1</b>
<b>WED - DEC 13</b>	7:30 - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <b>Room 8</b>
<b>THU - DEC 14</b>	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 9 pm	Review/Preview - <b>Via Zoom</b> Zumba - <b>Fellowship Hall</b> Odd Fellow's #97 Meeting - <b>Room 6</b>
<b>SAT - DEC. 16</b>	1 - 4 pm 4 pm - 6 pm 6 pm - 7:30 pm	Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry - <b>On Location</b> Set-Up for Live Nativity - <b>Fellowship Hall/Kit</b> Live Nativity—OPEN TO ALL - <b>Outside/FH/Kit</b>
<b>SUN - DEC. 17</b> <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 6 - 8 pm	Sunday School - <b>Rm 1, 2, 3, 4, (6 &amp; Zoom for Adults)</b> Nursery - <b>Room 5</b> Worship Service - <b>Sanctuary/YouTube</b> PENDING—PHS Football Banquet - <b>FH</b>

God has called you into fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Draw your face.



# Children's Worship Bulletin™



Ages 3+

December 3, 2023 • 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

## God Is Faithful

God gives us many spiritual gifts.

Draw on the gift boxes to fill in the pattern.



GIFTS



hope



giving



kindness



joy



faith



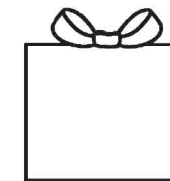
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goodness



love



peace



servicing



teaching

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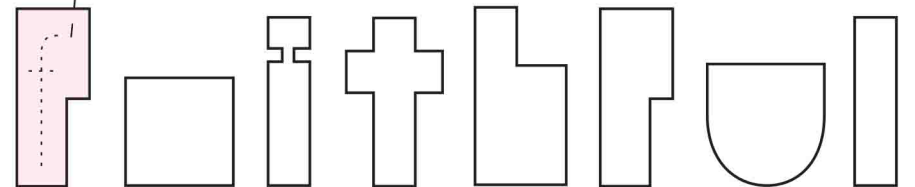
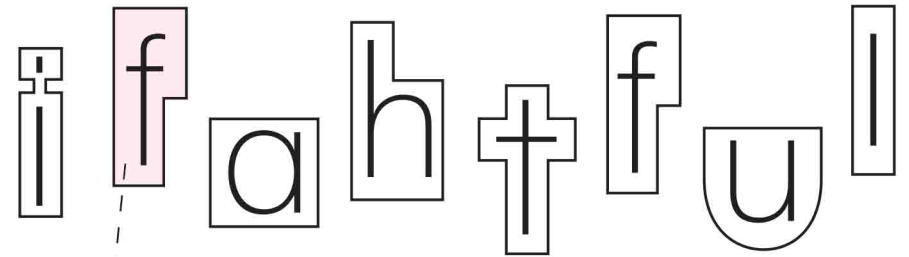
God will keep you strong to the end.

Circle the 1 picture that is different.



God is faithful.

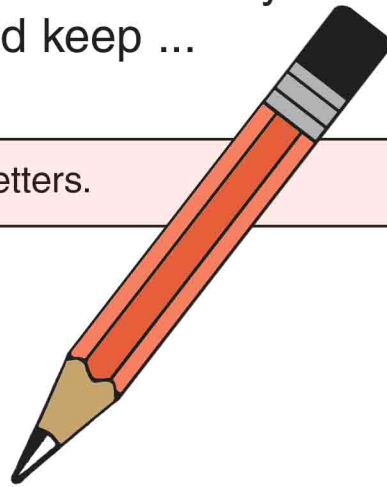
Draw lines to match the letters to the empty shapes.  
Then write in the letters.



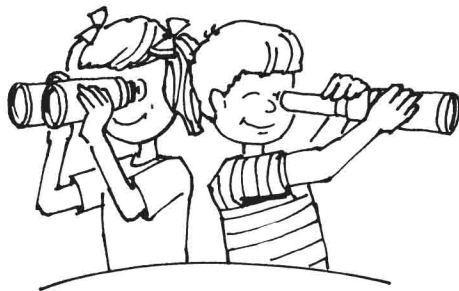


We should be ready  
and keep ...

Trace the letters.



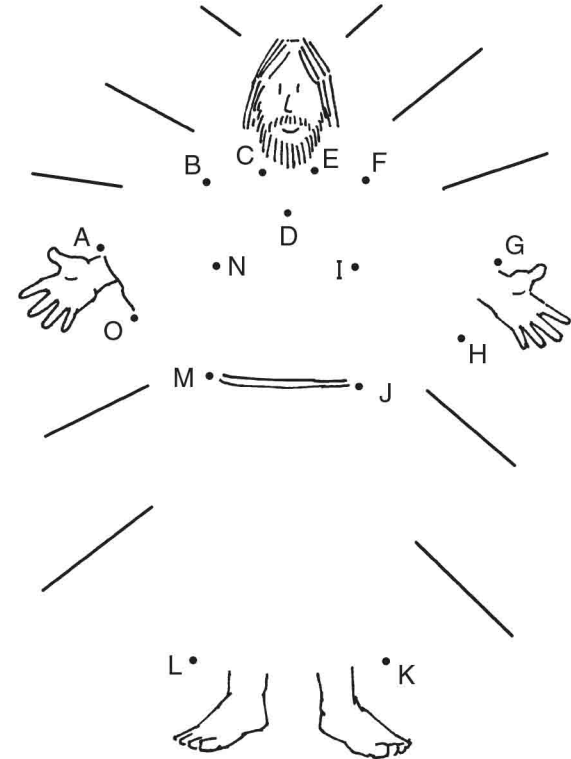
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## Signs of Things to Come

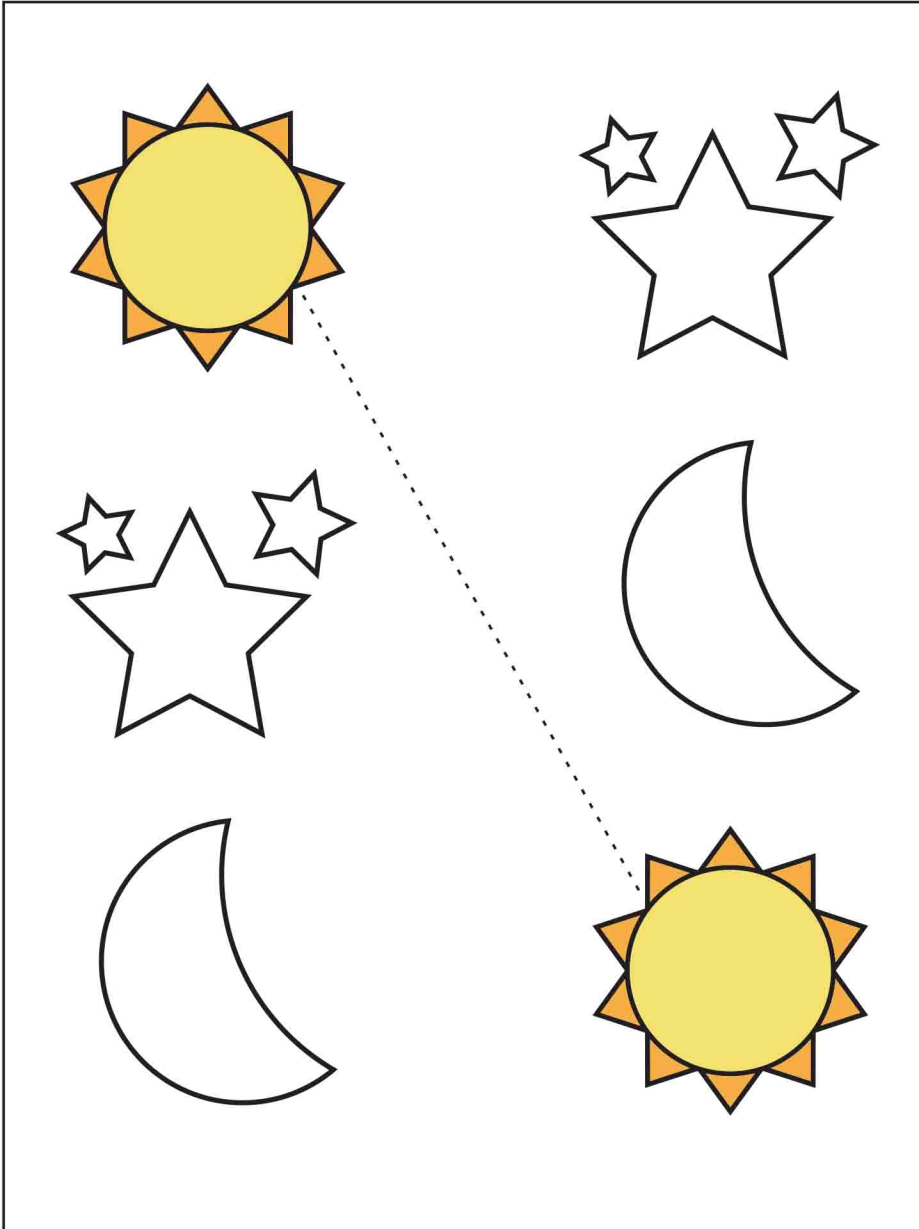
The Son of Man will come in great glory.

Connect the dots.  
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O



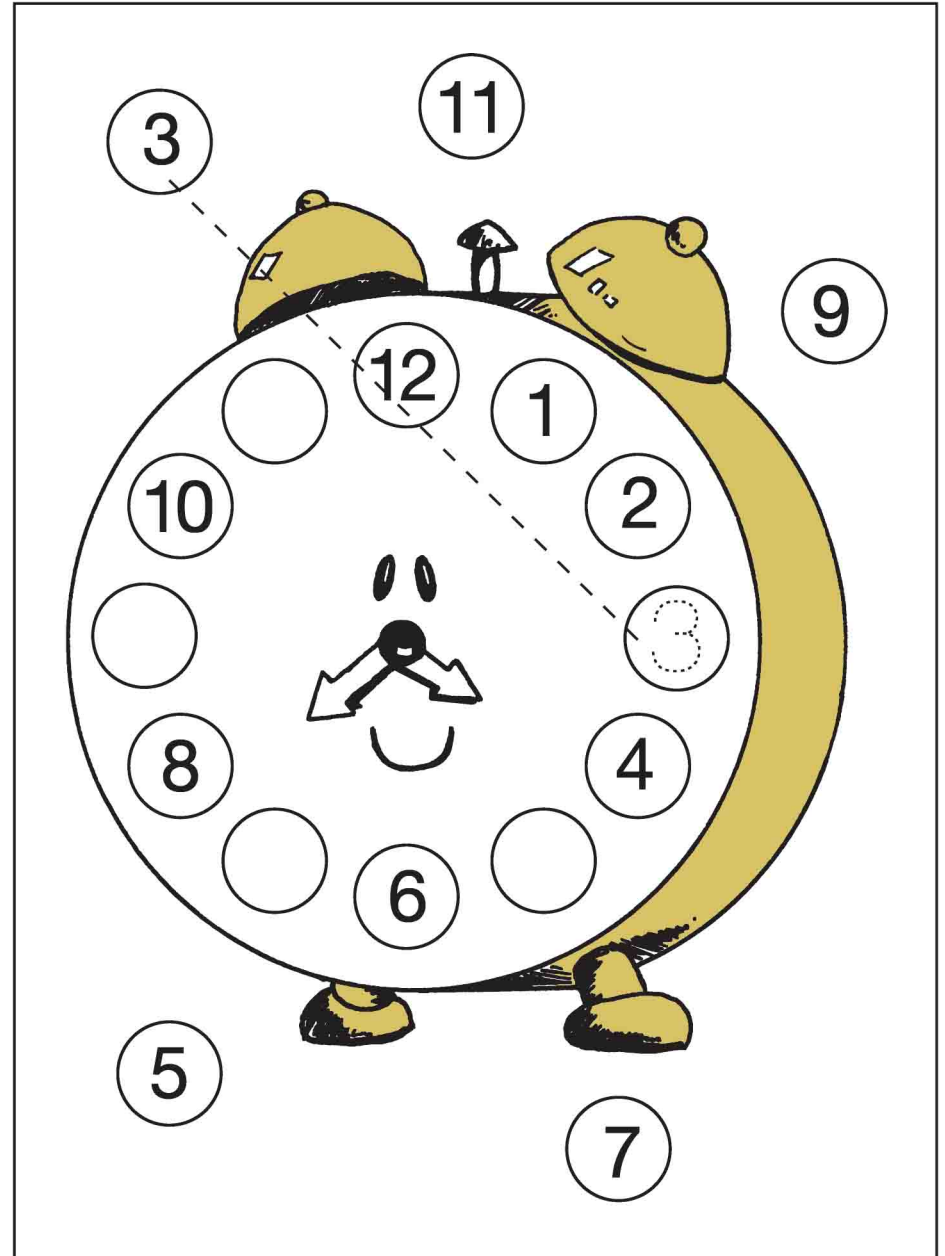
The sun and the moon will be dark,  
and the stars will be shaken.

Match the shapes.

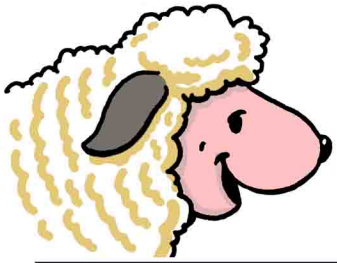


God is the only one who knows  
the day and the hour Jesus will return.

Draw a line to put each missing number in its  
correct place on the clock. Then write it in.







What else did Paul say?

Fill in the blanks with the words that mean the opposite of the ones given. Then use the code to fill in the blanks below.

1. BAD

1      2      3

2. OLD

4      5      6

3. SLOW

7      8      9

4. WRONG

10   11      12

5. CHILD

13   14      R      T  
15

“  
 1   2   3      11   8  
 I,      W  
 7   14   11   9   12   7   5      12   2  
 C      I      I  
 12   14   8      14      15   3  
 4   2   5      11   6   9   2  
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 7   15      2      8   12   11   13  
 W  
 11   9   12      12   11   8      8   2   6  
 J      C  
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 2   5   10      2   10   3”

# Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

December 3, 2023 • 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

## God Is Faithful

Paul spoke to the people through his letters. What did he say in this letter to the church at Corinth?

Shade in all of these letters: A C D E F G H J O P R S T U  
Use the words to fill in the blanks below to find the answer.

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

Paul said, “G \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
to you from \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_  
and the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ Christ.”



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**SECRET CODE!**  
**GSRYK9**

What did Paul say next?

Write the word for each picture.  
Then fill in the blanks below.

Paul said, "I always thank God for you  
because of His 1 2 3 4 5 given you in  
Christ Jesus."

Paul said that the Christians at Corinth were not lacking in any spiritual gifts. What else does this passage say?

Use this code to fill in the blanks and complete the passage.  
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  
Z Y X W V U T S R Q P O N M L K J I H G F E D C B A

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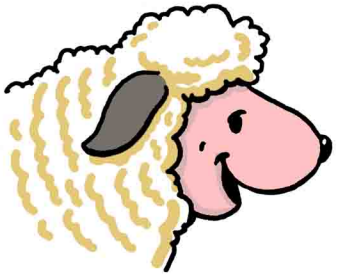
T L W G S F H

X L M U R I N R M T

L F I G V H G R N L M B

Z Y L F G X S I R H G

Z N L M T B L F"



Was Jesus talking to the disciples only?

Use the graph to find Jesus' words.

1	A	H	O	T	W
2	C	I	R	U	X
3	E	N	S	V	Y
4	5	6	7	8	



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# Children's Worship Bulletin™

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December 3, 2023 • Mark 13:24-37

## Signs of Things to Come

Jesus told His disciples that the Son of Man (a name that Jesus called Himself) would come in the clouds.



















Find these letters in the picture. S - O - N O - F M - A - N
























































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Jesus tells us that something will last forever.  
What is it?

Use the code to fill in the letters.

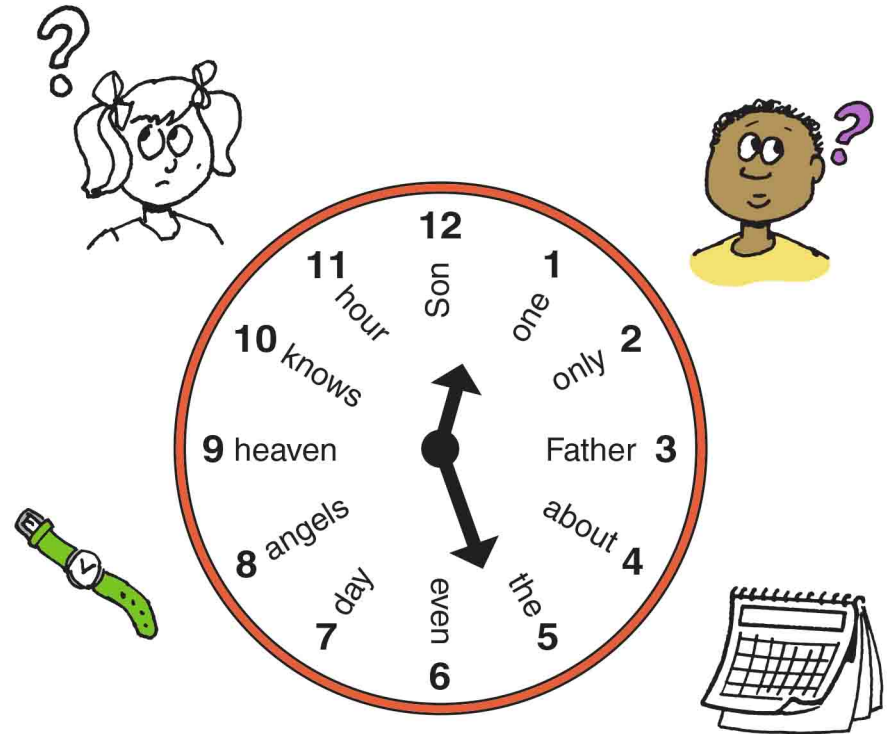
 = A	 = E	 = M	 = R	 = V
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 = D	 = I	 = O	 = T	 = Y
	 = L	 = P	 = U	

Jesus said,

“  
          
          
         
           
          
         
”

Who knows when Jesus will return?

Use the numbers on the clock to write in the missing words.



Jesus said, “No \_\_\_\_\_ that  
 1:00 10:00 4:00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_  
 7:00 11:00 6:00 5:00 8:00  
 in \_\_\_\_\_, nor \_\_\_\_\_,  
 9:00 5:00 12:00  
 but \_\_\_\_\_.”  
 2:00 5:00 3:00