OUR PURPOSE



Loving God Welcoming All

Serving Neighbors

Together through Jesus Christ

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Sun., Feb 18 - LUKE 10:38-42 The Better Part

Mon., Feb 19 - PSALM 23:1-6 Out of My Comfort Zone

Tue., Feb 20 - **GENESIS 1:1-28** The Wonders of God

Wed., Feb 21 - MATTHEW 6:9-15 Ash Wednesday

Thu., Feb 22 - **JOB 11:7-16** Why?

Fri., Feb 23 - 2 CORINTHIANS 5:16-21 Welcomed Back

Sat., Feb 24 - EPHESIANS 4:25-32 Words of Love

Visit www.upperroom.com for more information.

OFFICE INFORMATION

GENERAL QUESTIONS & 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 designated email accounts.

EMERGENCIES

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

CHURCH GIVING

AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING (last 8 weeks) \$6,862.28

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

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PASTOR - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

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ORGANIST - Linda Custer

BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR - Becky Smalley

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First Sunday in Lent February 18, 2024



Repent & Believe

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT February 18, 2024



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

Linda Custer

Meditation on Three Lenten Hymn Tunes (By the Babylonian Rivers; by Charles Callahan O Son of Justice, Jesus Christ; My Song is Love Unknown)

Worship Service

Nicole L., Acolyte

WELCOME—Introductions and Prayer

PRELUDE MUSIC

Linda Custer

Forty Days and Forty Nights

by Herbst/Niedmann

*CALL TO WORSHIP—LENTEN MEDITATION

led by Nicole Lewis

We have come together this morning for renewal—in worship and as a community of faith. We've greeted one another, laughed and hugged. But now the time of reflection and stillness is upon us. It is the first Sunday in Lent—the season for journeys of the heart. Close your eyes. Be still. Listen. We are entering a holy time. The Lenten candles have been lit, but over the next six weeks the light will slowly fade into darkness. For we are retelling the story of Jesus' betrayal and suffering and death. We do this not to be morbid, but because in the story of Jesus' death and resurrection, God is revealed—in the amazing transformation of death into life, in endings transformed into beginnings, and in dead-ends that become a source for new possibilities.

This is the sacred center of our faith—the truth made manifest in Jesus Christ—that God is in each and every one of us, quietly transforming us and the world. In his pain and suffering, Jesus speaks to every pain and loss you have endured and offers you the promise of transformation. It's an old story, but it still has the power to reveal, to heal, and to redeem. Jesus is at the heart of our faith, in the depth of our souls. He is waiting for us, inviting us to leave ordinary time and follow along with him on the journey that brought him to the Cross. Listen in silence, for Jesus is calling you. (silent time)

As we extinguish this light, we acknowledge the darkness and pain of injustice in the world.

*OPENING PRAYER

led by Nicole Lewis

Loving God, as we journey through this holy season of Lent, give us strength and courage to make the changes that are needed in our lives. Open our hearts and minds to your steadfast presence and help us to put our trust in you. Amen.

MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH POOLESVILLE, MD

*Opening Hymn—If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee UMH 142 Ralph Hitchens FIRST READING—1 Peter 3:8-17 This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God*. Janet Hartz/Linda Custer ANTHEM—CHANCEL CHOIR Be Humble by Janie Marie Nebeker Rev. Timothy Dowell SECOND READING—Mark 1:9-15 This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.* **SERMON**—Repent & Believe Rev. Timothy Dowell *HYMN OF RESPONSE—Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters UMH 605 **OFFERING** (Offering Plates in Spurrier Hall) Rev. Timothy Dowell **JOYS AND CONCERNS** Rev. Timothy Dowell *Doxology—What Wondrous Love Is This UMH 292, verse 1 THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895 *CLOSING HYMN—O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go UMH 480 *BENEDICTION Rev. Timothy Dowell Linda Custer POSTLUDE MUSIC Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley by Anna Laura Page

Lyrics to Anthem Be Humble - by Janie Marie Nebeker

Be humble and the Lord your God shall lead you by the hand and give answers to your prayers, and give you answers to your prayers.

He knows your heart, He hears your prayers, He knows your heart, He hears your prayers;

So let your love abound unto all, unto all who love His name.

And let your love abound unto all, unto all who love the Lord.

Be humble and the Lord your God shall lead you by the hand and give answers to your prayers, the Lord your God, the Lord your God, will give you answers to your prayers.

Be humble and the Lord your God shall lead you by the hand and give you answers to your prayers, and give you answers to your prayers,

He knows your heart, He hears your prayers, He knows your heart, He hears your prayers;

So let your love abound unto all, unto all who love His name,

And let your love abound unto all, unto all who love the Lord.

Be humble and the Lord your God shall lead you by the hand and give you answers to your prayers, the Lord our God, the Lord our God, will give answers to our prayers.

Poolesville Seniors Present Virtual and In-Person Programs

Are you looking for activities that stretch your mind, renew your body, and lift your spirits? Then visit the website for Poolesville Seniors, poolesvilleseniors.org, or call Poolesville i 301-875-7701 to register for a wide variety of virtual and in-person events. Seniors! Registration is required, but all events are open to the entire community. Stay Active

February 19th—PS! Book Club: "Thursday Murder Club"—Virtual. 7:00pm

Join us for the novel Thursday Murder Club. A group of retirees in a luxurious retirement village in the English countryside investigate murder on their doorstep.

February 20th—Trail Hike: Little Bennett Regional Park—In person. 10:30am

Join Karen Dansby and Gwen Haney for a 2-hour, 5.5-mile trail hike with an elevation gain of 500+ feet in Little Bennett Regional Park. These natural trails may be leaf-covered, rocky/root covered paths with multiple hills. Hikers should be able to maintain a moderate pace. Good hiking shoes, water, and a snack are recommended. Directions to meeting place on registration page.

February 23rd - March 3rd—Heart 'n Soul ONLINE Auction—Something for everyone. Enjoy the thrill of bidding on Adventures & Travel, Shop Local, Entertainment, Just for Fun, Taste of the Ag Reserve, and Collectibles/Fine Art/Jewelry in our online auction fundraiser.

February 23rd—Line Dancing—In person at Speer Hall 17800 Elgin Rd. (109). 7:00pm Join Ashley Kelch for an evening of line dancing for novice and experienced. Come have fun!

February 24th—Heart 'n Soul Gala—In person at St. Mary's Pavilion, Barnesville. 6:30-11:00pm Delicious dinner by Simply Fresh caterers. Fantastic music by Gina's Soul Party and the Souled Out Horns. Gather your friends and neighbors for a night to remember. Cash Only Bar.

February 29th—Movie Matinee: "Leap Year"—In person. Speer Hall 17800 Elgin Rd. 1:30pm Rom Com, "Leap Year" is about an American who plans to interrupt her boyfriend's business trip to Ireland (Irish tradition is women can do the proposing on Leap Day). PG. 1:40 min

MONDAYS

—Ping Pong, 1:00-4:00pm ■ In person at Speer Hall 17800 Elgin Rd.

MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, & FRIDAYS

—**Pickleball** 8:30am-12:30pm ■ In person indoor play at Poolesville Baptist Church.

TUESDAYS

- —Tai-Chi w/Maureen Ivusic, 10:30-11:15am. Virtual & In person. Speer Hall 17800 Elgin Rd.
- -Bridge 1-4:00pm. Registration required. In person. Speer Hall 17800 Elgin Rd.

WEDNESDAYS

- —Zumba Gold with Karen McPhatter, 1:00-2:00pm. In person at Speer Hall 17800 Elgin Rd.
- —Trivia Game Night—First Wednesday of the month. 7:00 pm. Virtual.

THURSDAYS

—Mahjong 10:00am-12:30pm. Beginner & seasoned welcome. In person. PPC's Speer Hall.

For more information or to register for any of the programs visit poolesvilleseniors.org, call or text 301-875-7701, or email info@poolesvilleseniors.org.



CALLING ALL ACTORS—ALL AGES!

The idea of doing something special to celebrate the many blessings we've had over the last 5 years was raised and a dramatic presentation of "The Tale of the Three Trees" was decided on. It will be a multi-generational performance.



To participate, email Janet Hartz at gjalasa@verizon.net.

Performance April 21, 2024 (date change) During Worship

after Sunday Worship Services Rehearsals



Upper Room

Daily Devotionals are available outside on the bench & inside on the table under Church Office window.



Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in Room 6 at 7pm.



Sunday School 9:15 - 10:15

Need a Ride to church? Email Scott.McGrew@aol.com.

10:15-11:45 am

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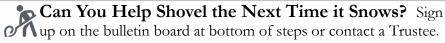
prayer

Nursery-Rm 5

(6mo-4yr)



GREETERS NEEDED! Signup at the base of steps. Email questions to bispike@verizon.net.



Like to Sing? Join the Choir! Wed. Choir Rehearsals, 7:30-9pm Contact Janet Hartz at gjalaska@verizon.net.





request to prayers@pmumc.org



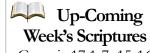
DONATE, SHOP, HELP.

Wed & Fri, 2-8pm / Thu & Sat, 10am-4pm Thrift Shop Revenue from the Thrift Shop support many local organizations



Review/Preview-No prep needed!

Study Sundays' scriptures w/Pastor Tim, Thursdays @ 7pm on Zoom. For link, email: pastortim@pmumc.org.



Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:23-31 Romans 4:13-25 Mark 8:31-38

SCHEDULE	FEBRUARY 25 2 nd Sunday in Lent	MARCH 3 3 rd Sunday in Lent	MARCH 10 4th Sunday in Lent
LITURGIST	Scott McGrew Bob Bachman	David Melton Eleanor Bateman	Beth Parker Beth Parker
ACOLYTE	Addison S.	Aubrey S.	Audrey M.

WUMCO is offering...

FREE ENGLISH CLASSES on Saturday mornings. To learn more about it please fill out the survey found at https://forms.office.com/r/nGLHB9CUvX



Want to help those in our community that need assistance with housing, utilities, medicine, medical procedures, medical transportation, food, automobile maintenance, gas? Become a WUMCO Member! Not only will you feel good, you will receive a membership card that you can use at many local businesses to get discounts (most 10% off).

Visit www.wumcohelp.org/membership to see all they ways you can join.

FROM the BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON CONFERENCE...

- ASL CLASSES: During the season of Lent, people in the BWC and Pen-Del are invited to join a two-session introductory American Sign Language class on Feb. 19 and 27 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Register at https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/ tZIsc-GurzgrHdWOXyROxTfwVIIIR8mgoRcsf#/registration. Email Rev Leo Yates at lyates@bwcumc.org with questions.
- Annual BWC Scholarship application process is open: Once again, the BWC will award scholarships to qualified college students and high school seniors who plan to attend college in the fall of 2024. The application process is currently open and closes on March 13. To apply visit https://www.bwcumc.org/administration/local-church-resources/scholarships/
- **Spend your summer growing!** BWC's Camp Manidokan and West River Center are hiring: gain job and communication skills, make friends, grow your faith, and have fun this summer on staff. Visit https://www.bwcampsandretreats.com/get-involved/summer-jobs/
- UMCOR Sunday—March 10—This special Sunday offering supports the United Methodist Committee on Relief by providing funds for administrative resources for disaster response.

Free tax preparation assistance will be available Feb. 5 – Apr. 15, 2024 for Montgomery County taxpayers. There are no age or income restrictions for this program, but efforts are focused on Seniors and/or low-to-moderate-income residents. Trained and certified volunteers through the AARP Foundation Tax- Aide Program will provide services at various locations throughout Montgomery County. The Maggie Nightingale Library site in Poolesville will operate each Friday between February 5th and April 15th. Services are by appointment only; scheduling for tax appointments is now available and can be made online at www.taxaidemc.info or by calling 240-777-2577 (phone lines open Mon – Fri from 9am-4pm).







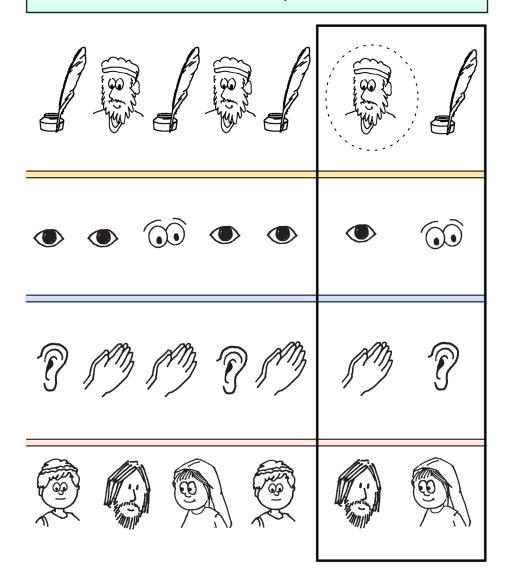


HDCOMING HADDENINGS

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS					
Sun - Feb 18 First Sunday in Lent	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 12:30 pm 11:30 am - 2 pm	Sunday School - <i>Rm 1, 2, 3, 4, (6 & Zoom for Adults)</i> Nursery - <i>Room 5</i> Worship Service - <i>Sanctuary/YouTube</i> Fellowship Time- <i>Kitchen & Fellowship Hall</i> Rehearsal "The Tale of Three Trees"- <i>Sanctuary or Rm 8</i>			
Mon - Feb 19	10 am - 12 pm 7 - 8:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Food Pick-Up - <i>Kitchen</i> Bell Choir Rehearsal - <i>Sanctuary</i> Grief Group - <i>Room 6</i>			
Tue - Feb 20	6 - 7 pm 7 - 8 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting - <i>Room 1</i> Men's Group Meeting - <i>Room 6 & ZOOM</i>			
WED - FEB 21	7 - 8:30 pm 7:30 - 9 pm	Poolesville Day Committee Meeting - <i>Room 6</i> Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <i>Room 8</i>			
Тни - Fев 22	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - ZOOM ZUMBA - Fellowship Hall IOOF #97 Meeting - Room 6			
SAT - FEB 24	1 - 4 pm 3 - 6:30 pm	The Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry - <i>On Location</i> Frederick Rescue Mission - <i>Kitchen & On Location</i>			
Sun - Feb 25 Second Sunday in Lent	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 2 pm 12 - 3:30 pm	Sunday School - <i>Rm 1, 2, 3, 4, (6 & Zoom for Adults)</i> Nursery - <i>Room 5</i> Worship Service - <i>Sanctuary/YouTube</i> Rehearsal "The Tale of Three Trees" - <i>Sanctuary</i> Girl Scout Service World Thinking Day 2024 <i>FH</i>			
Mon - Feb 26	10 am - 12 pm 6 - 7 pm 7 - 8:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Food Pick-Up - <i>Kitchen</i> Girl Scout Troop #32095 Meeting - <i>Room 1</i> Bell Choir Rehearsal - <i>Sanctuary</i> Grief Group - <i>Room 6</i>			
Tue - Feb 27	6 - 7 pm 7 - 8 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting - <i>Room 1</i> Christian Education Meeting - <i>Room 6</i>			
WED - FEB 28	7:30 - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <i>Room 8</i>			
Тни - Feв 29	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - ZOOM ZUMBA - Fellowship Hall			
Fri - Mar 1	5 - 9 pm	Set-Up for Private Party on 3/2 - Fellowship Hall			
SAT - MAR 2	1 - 4 pm 4 - 10 pm	The Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry - <i>On Location</i> Private Party - <i>Kitchen & On Location</i>			
Sun - Mar 3 Third Sunday in Lent	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 2 pm	Sunday School - <i>Rm 1, 2, 3, 4, (6 & Zoom for Adults)</i> Nursery - <i>Room 5</i> Worship Service - <i>Sanctuary/YouTube</i> Rehearsal "The Tale of Three Trees" - <i>Sanctuary</i>			

For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears listen to their prayer.

In each row, circle the picture that continues the pattern.





Ages 3+

February 18, 2024 • 1 Peter 3:8-12

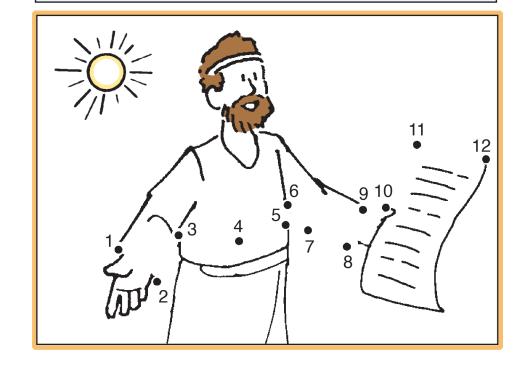


Suffering for Doing Good

Peter said: All of you, be kind, love one another and be humble. Repay evil with blessing.

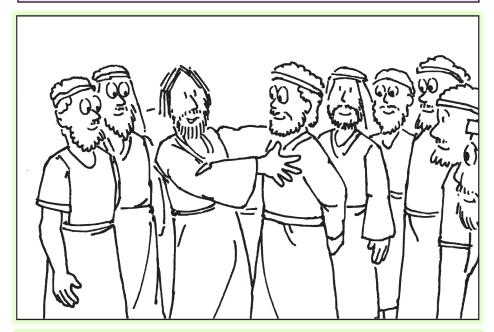
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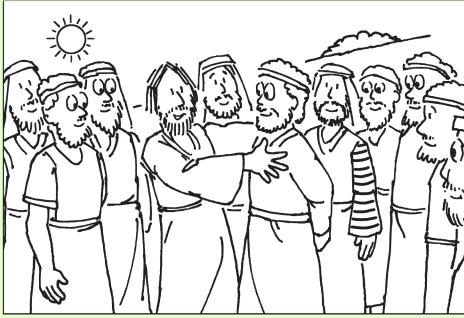
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To this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing.

Circle) 5 differences in the bottom picture.





Whoever would love life and see good days must not say evil things.

Circle) the hidden words.

LOVE

LIFE

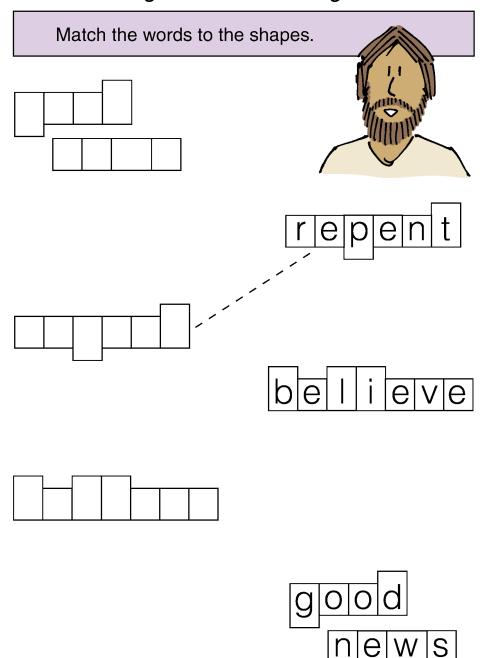
GOOD

PEACE



They must turn from evil and do good; they must seek peace and go after it.

Then Jesus went into Galilee telling about God's kingdom.





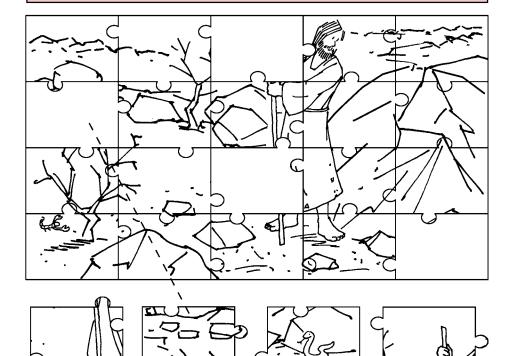
Ages 3+

February 18, 2024 • Mark 1:9-15

Jesus: Temptation and Good News

Then Jesus was led into the desert. He stayed 40 days.

Match the puzzle pieces.



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Jesus was tempted to sin, but He always did what was right.

Circle the 1 that is different.











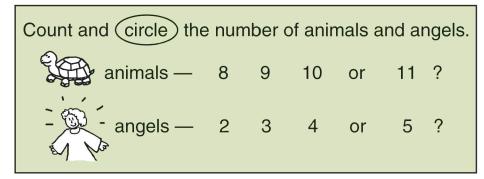


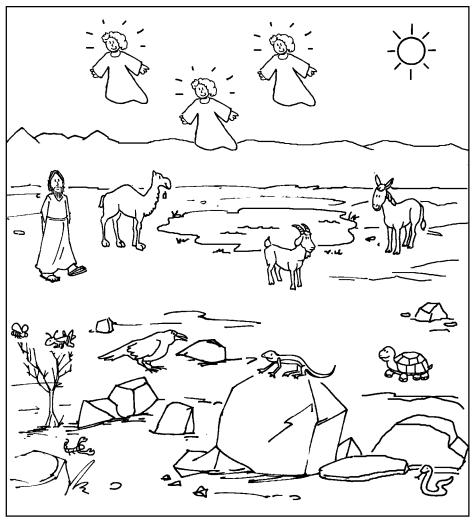






Jesus was with wild animals. Angels were also with Him.

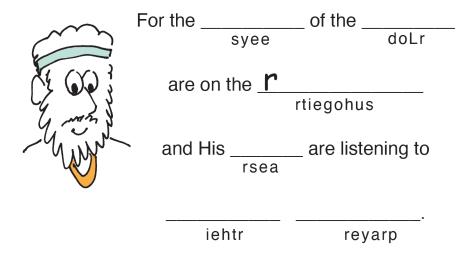






Then what did Peter say?

Unscramble the word below each blank.

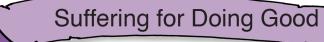






Ages 7+

February 18, 2024 • 1 Peter 3:8-12



Peter said: All of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, ...

Use the code to write the letters on the blanks.



	Α	В	С	D	Е
1	С	I	Т	0	D
2	Ш	Р	L	Α	U
3	Ν	В	S	М	Н

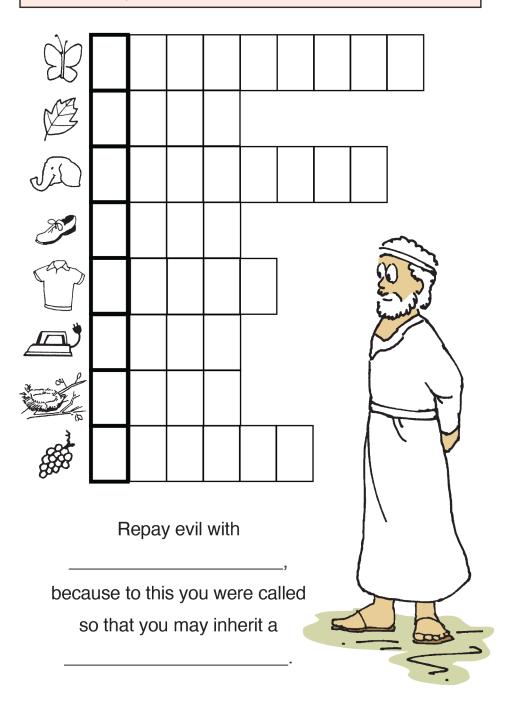
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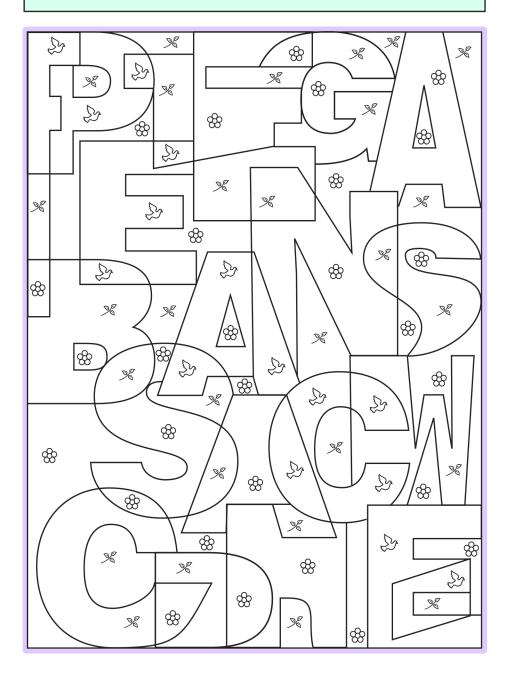
Peter continued his teaching.

Write the name of each picture. Then read the letters in the darker boxes from top to bottom, and write that word on the blanks below



They must turn from evil and do good; they must seek peace and go after it.

Shade in the spaces with a $\mbox{\ensuremath{\wp}}$.





What did Jesus say?

Find words that don't make sense or seem out of place. Replace them with words from the list that have only 1 letter different.

TIME

NEAR COME THE

SAID

BELIEVE GOOD

"THE TOME HAS COMB,"

HE PAID,

"SHE KINGDOM OF

GOD HAT COME BEAR.

REPENT AND

RELIEVE

THE GOLD NEWS!"



Ages 7+

February 18, 2024 • Mark 1:9-15

Jesus: Temptation and Good News

When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River, He saw heaven being torn open and He heard a voice. What did the voice from heaven say?

Shade in all the shapes with a * symbol to find the answers.

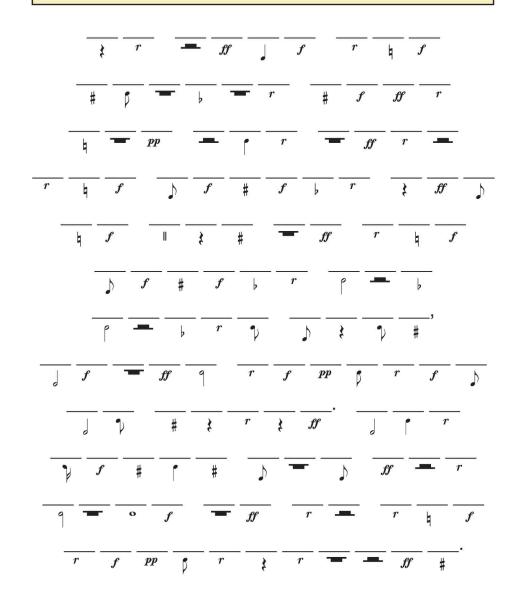
"You are My _____, Whom I _____; with You I am well __ _ _ _ _ _ _."

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What happened to Jesus after He was baptized?

Use this code to fill in the blanks.					
F A	= = 0	pp = M	Ⅱ = W	1) = Y	₽ = J
D	= I	# = S	J = C	f = U	• = V
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What happened next?

Follow the directions to find the answer. Start with: J E S U S.

1. Change the S's to C's.

JECUC

2. Change the second C to a P.

3. Change the J to MI.

4. Add an O before the U.

5. Change the U to an R.

6. Change the E to AL.

7. Add GNI before MI.

8. Write all the letters in reverse order.

After John was put into prison, Jesus went into Galilee,

the good news of God.

