## OUR PURPOSE



Loving God
Welcoming All

Serving Neighbors

Together through Jesus Christ

#### DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Sun., Feb 25 - ISAIAH 55:6-9 It's the Beginning
Mon., Feb 26 - JOHN 13:3135 Receiving Love
Tue., Feb 27 - JAMES 1:2-12 Why Me?
Wed., Feb 28 - ROMANS 8:22-30 God Hears Our Cries
Thu., Feb 29 - HEBREWS 11:8-12 Renewal
Fri., Mar 1 - PSALM 119:1-6 A Pattern of Prayer
Sat., Mar. 2 - ROMANS 8:32-39 Draw Near to God

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) \$8,221.28

#### **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

#### CHURCH PERSONNEL & CONTRIBUTORS TO WORSHIP

**PASTOR -** Rev. Timothy A. Dowell **MUSIC DIRECTOR -** Janet Hartz

**ORGANIST** - Linda Custer

**BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR** - Becky Smalley

**HEAD USHER -** Dr. Robert Spiker

ALTAR GUILD/SACRAMENT STEWARD-Janet Spiker

WORSHIP CMTE CHAIR - Priscilla Lyon

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

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# Second Sunday in Lent February 25, 2024



Slow Your Roll!

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 Amanda Lyon

Selection of various hymns from UMH or TFWS

# **Worship Service**

Aubrey S., Acolyte

WELCOME—Introductions and Prayer Rev. Timothy Dowell

PRELUDE MUSIC

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Amanda Lyon
by Mason/Fettke

#### CALL TO WORSHIP—LENTEN MEDITATION Scott McGrew

On Sunday morning, for a brief space of time we leave behind the world of home and work and school—the world where we have our lists of things to do, activities to participate in, tasks to complete. We come here this morning seeking something else. We come here seeking a shift—from the ordinary to the sacred, from doing to being. I invite you to close your eyes. Let go of your list. Recall that it is the season of Lent. Remember the parable of the sower. The sower throws the seed . . . and where it lands determines if it will grow or not grow. Think of it this way: think of the season of Lent as the sower, the time when seeds of faith are thrown with special intensity as a time when God call to us in a low urgent voice. Listen. Jesus is being drawn to Jerusalem. Where is God calling you to go? What is God call you to do?

(Silent time)

As we extinguish this light, we acknowledge the darkness and pain of injury done to the Earth and its ecosystem.

# OPENING PRAYER led by Scott McGrew

Loving God, as we journey through this holy season of Lent, may we be open to your presence. Give us the strength to make the changes that are needed in our lives and the courage to take on the work of transforming the world. Amen.

\*OPENING HYMN—Bring Forth the Kingdom TFWS 2190

FIRST READING—Psalm 22:23-31 Bob Bachman

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

ANTHEM—BELL CHOIR Becky Smalley

Blessed Assurance arr by Cynthia Dobrinski

MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**SECOND READING—***Mark 8:31-38* Rev. Timothy Dowell

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

SERMON—Slow Your Roll! Rev. Timothy Dowell

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE—I Have Decided to Follow Jesus TFWS 2129

OFFERING (Offering Plates in Spurrier Hall)

Rev. Timothy Dowell

\*DoxoLogy—What Wondrous Love Is This UMH 292, verse 2

JOYS AND CONCERNS Rev. Timothy Dowell

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

\*CLOSING HYMN—Take Up Thy Cross UMH 415

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Timothy Dowell

POSTLUDE MUSIC

O For a Thousand Tongues

Children/Youth gather each Sunday morning at 9:15 before going into their individual class.

On Palm Sunday, March 24, we have 2 opportunities to celebrate:

- During worship service we will have a Palm Procession led by Pastor Tim. The children/youth will come in during the processional waving palm branches and singing. Pastor Tim will teach the song during our Sunday morning gathering time. Hope all can come and be a part!
- Following our worship service we will have an "Easter Celebration" for our children/youth and their families. There will be lunch, crafts, games, stories, and an Easter egg hunt. Please contact Dianna at 301-349-2261 or mdmcgrews@aol.com if you can attend and how many will be participating.



### **Up-Coming Week's Scriptures**

Exodus 20:1-17 • Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 • John 2:13-22

# Columbarium & Memorial Garden For

info visit our website or talk to Ellie Bateman, Steve McCraith, or Jan Schmidt.

Amanda Lyon

by Wesley/Glazer

Poolesville, MD

Memorial's Small Groups - To connect with a group, please email...

- Adult Sunday School (hybrid) Fred at cfredlyon@gmail.com
- Youth Sunday School (in-person) Dianna at mdmcgrews@aol.com
- Review/Preview with Pastor Tim (zoom)- Pastor Tim@pmumc.org
- Men's Group (hybrid)- Ray at RLHoewing@gmail.com
- Youth Group (in-person)- Betty at bking21710@gmail.com
- Have a calling to start a new small group? Contact Pastor Tim or call the church office.

Poolesville Seniors has virtual and in-person activities that stretch your mind, renew your body, and lift your spirits? Visit PoolesvilleSeniors.org website or call 301-875-7701 to register for events. Registration is required. All events are open to the entire community. FYI: Speer Hall is located at the Poolesville Presbyterian Church, 17800 Elgin Rd.

February 29th—Movie Matinee: Leap Year—Rom Com about an American who plans to interrupt her boyfriend's business trip to Ireland. PG. In-person. Speer Hall. 1:30pm

March 4th—Heart 'n Soul Online Auction closes at 8pm—Virtual

March 7th—How African American Communities surrounding Poolesville have impacted our Town and Nation! - Join historian and Poolesville resident, Skip Etheridge, for an in depth look at the African American communities that surround Poolesville. Learn how these African American Communities have impacted our Town and Nation! In-person. Speer Hall. 7pm

March 12th—BINGO: Shamrock Shenanigans—Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with Shamrock Shenanigans BINGO with callers IJ Hudson and Roger Brenholtz, Irish music, trivia, Irish dance demo, and PRIZES! Bring a friend or neighbor for an afternoon filled with bingo, competition, congenial conversation, snacks, beverages, and of course, prizes. In-person. Speer Hall. 1pm

March 14th—2024 55+ Cardboard Boat Regatta—Come cheer the Poolesville Seniors team when they launch their cardboard boat at the Montg. Cnty Parks & Recreation Cardboard Boat Regatta at Martin Luther King Jr. Indoor Swim Center Pool in Silver Spring. In-person. 10am

March 14th—Trail Hike: Seneca Creek Greenway to Berryville—Hike along Seneca Creek on the Seneca-Greenway Trail for a 5-mile hike (about 2 hours at moderate pace w/elevation gain of 187 feet). Meet at the MD 28 Trailhead Parking Lot (near the intersection of Rt 107 and Rt 28). Good hiking shoes, water, and a snack are recommended. In-person. 10:30am

March 15th—Movie Night: Waking Ned Devine—In this delightful Irish comedy, the lucky winner of the national lottery, Ned Devine, dies from the shock of the win. News spreads quickly in the small scenic Irish village, followed by humorous hijinks. In-person. Speer Hall. 7pm

#### **MONDAYS**

—Ping Pong. In-person. Speer Hall. 1-4pm

## MON/WED/FRI

-Pickleball. In-person. Poolesville Baptist Church. 8:30am-12:30pm

#### **TUESDAYS**

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

#### WEDNESDAYS

- —Zumba Gold with Karen McPhatter. In-person. Speer Hall. 1-2pm
- —Trivia Game Night. First Wednesday of the month. Virtual. 7pm

#### **THURSDAYS**

—Mahjong. Beginners & seasoned. In-person. Speer Hall. 10am-12:30pm

Thank you to those that made last week's



happen!

# Celebrating Our Blessings...

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.

Rehearsals are in full swing and they will continue each Sunday after worship, now through April 7.

The Performance will take place during worship on Sunday, April 21, 2024.





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



Send prayer request to prayers@pmumc.org



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



UMCOR Sunday will be March 10th. Please give as generously as able.

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



+Mens Group

Meet 1st and 3rd

Tuesdays in

Room 6 at 7pm.

Friendly

#### DONATE, SHOP, HELP.

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



Poolesville !

Stay Active

### Review/Preview-No prep needed!

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



Sunday School 9:15 - 10:15

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



Medical Equipment Loan Program—our ministry providing community members with temporary medical equipment needs. To donate or request equipment, contact Eleanor-301.461.7898.



SCHEDULE	<b>MARCH 3</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent	MARCH 10 4th Sunday in Lent	MARCH 17 5th Sunday in Lent	
Liturgist	David Melton Eleanor Bateman	Beth Parker Beth Parker	Betty Jean Selby Pam Flick	
ACOLYTE	Aubrey S.	Audrey M.	Isabel S.	

Want to help those in our community that need assistance with housing, utilities, med-WUMCQ icine, 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...

- 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-churchresources/scholarships/
- Summer Job Opportunities—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.
- Living Like Christ: A Banquet of Spiritual Experiences—The Baltimore-Washington and Peninsula-Delaware Conferences and their Center for Vial Leadership offers you a banquet of spiritual exercises based on the ground-breaking work of Positive Intelligence, which we've connected with the wisdom of Wesleyan spiritual disciplines. For details visit: https://www.bwcumc.org/living-like-christ-a-banquet-of-spiritual-exercises//



Backpack Food Donations Needed: Oatmeal (plain/instant), Fruit Cups (single serve), Vegetables (canned), Granola Bars, Cheese Crackers), Milk (8oz, shelf stable), Pasta (1 lb), Mac & Cheese (box), Rice (1 lb), Peanut Butter (16 oz), Beans (dry/1 lb), Chicken (canned), Tuna

(canned). Questions, email Catherine at crbeliveau@gmail.com. To Help Pack or Deliver to PES or MES visit: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094AA8A82CA75-44957977-backpack



Free tax preparation assistance will be available by APPOINTMENT ONLY for Montgomery County taxpayers through April 15th. Assistance in Poolesville will be available on Fridays only at the Maggie Nightingale Library with the last day being April 12th.. 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. Scheduling for tax appointments can be made online at www.taxaidemc.info or by calling 240-777-2577 (phone lines open Mon – Fri from 9am-4pm).









#### UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

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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 &amp; 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 - Feв 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 - <b>ZOOM</b> ZUMBA - <b>Fellowship Hall</b>		
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 &amp; 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 &amp; Zoom for Adults)</i> Nursery - <i>Room 5</i> Worship Service - <i>Sanctuary/YouTube</i> Rehearsal "The Tale of Three Trees" - <i>Sanctuary</i>		
Mon - Mar 4	10 am - 12 pm 4:15 - 6:15 pm 7 - 8:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Food Pick-Up - <i>Kitchen</i> Girl Scout Troop #32009 Meeting - <i>Room 1</i> Bell Choir Rehearsal - <i>Sanctuary</i> Grief Group - <i>Room 6</i>		
Tue - Mar 5	6 - 7 pm 7 - 8 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting - <i>Room 1</i> Men's Group Meeting - <i>Room 6 &amp; ZOOM</i>		
Wed - Mar 6	7:30 - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Room 8		
Thu - Mar 7	6 - 9 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	IOOF #97 Meeting - <i>Room 6</i> Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - <i>ZOOM</i> ZUMBA - <i>Fellowship Hall</i>		
Sat - Mar 9	1 - 4 pm	The Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry - On Location		
Sun - Mar 10 Fourth 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 &amp; Zoom for Adults)</i> Nursery - <i>Room 5</i> Worship Service - <i>Sanctuary/YouTube</i> Rehearsal "The Tale of Three Trees" - <i>CANCELLED</i>		



# Future generations will be told about the LORD.

Follow the numbers through the maze.

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# **START**

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They will proclaim
His righteousness,
declaring to a people
yet unborn:
He has done it!



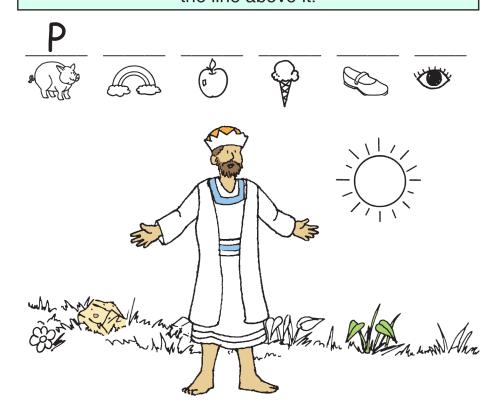
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King David wrote:
You who fear the LORD, praise Him!

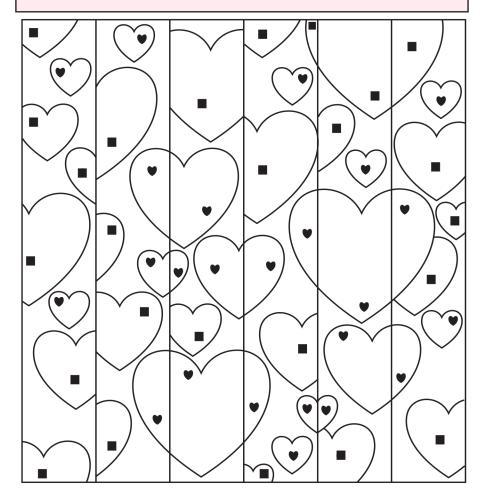
Write the 1st letter of each picture on the line above it.



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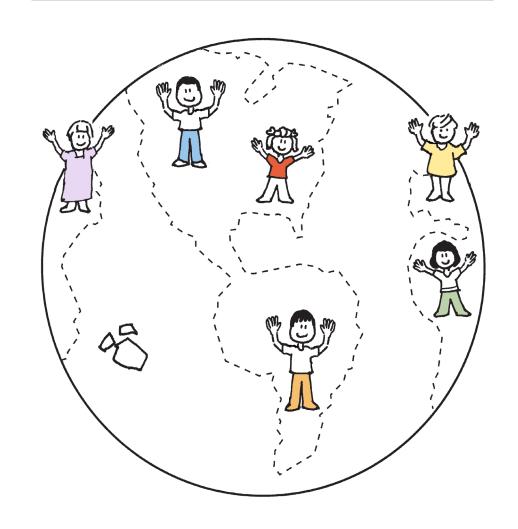
The poor will eat and be satisfied. Shade in the shapes that have a .



Those who seek the LORD will praise Him — may your hearts live forever!

# All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD.

Trace the lines to finish the picture.



All the families of the nations will bow down before Him.

Jesus gave His disciples and the crowd a message.

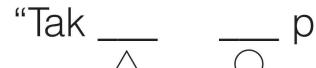
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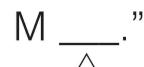
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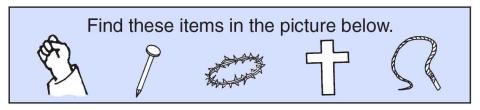


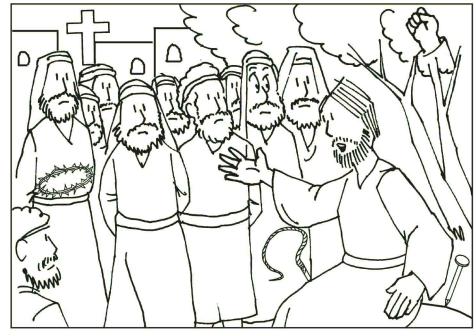
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Jesus spoke plainly to His disciples. He told them that He would suffer many things.



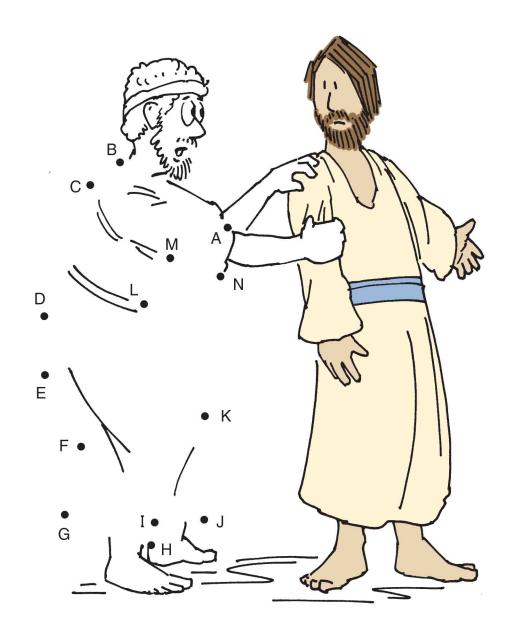


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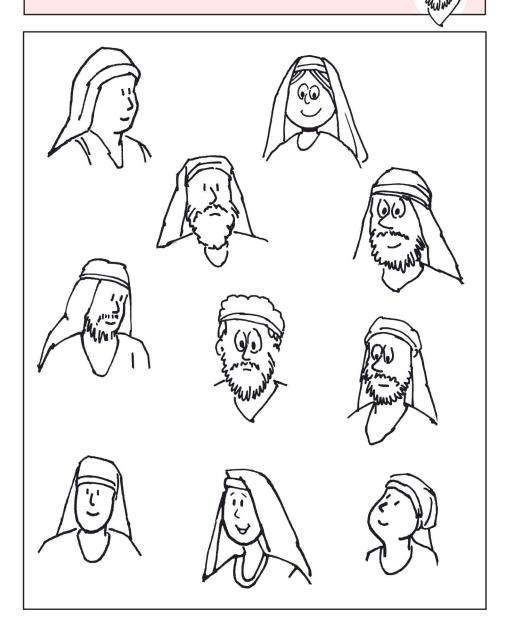
Peter was very upset with what Jesus said. He took Jesus aside to talk to Him.

Connect the dots.
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Jesus told Peter that he did not understand the things of God, but only the things of people.

Circle Peter in the group of people below.



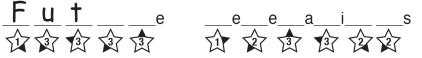


King David finished his psalm of praise to the LORD.

Use the code to write the letters on the blanks.















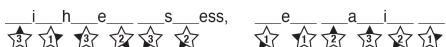










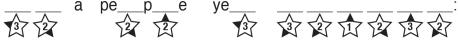


















# Children's Worship **Bulletin**

Ages 7+

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# Stand in Awe of the LORD

King David wrote: You who fear the LORD, praise Him! ...

Shade in the boxes listed to form a word. Then write the word on the blank below. A: 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19

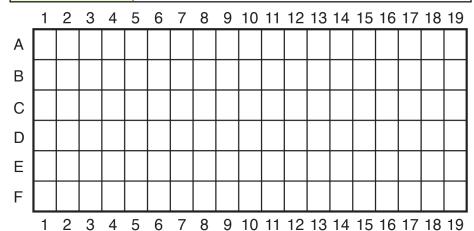
B: 1, 6, 9, 11, 16

C: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19

D: 1, 6, 9, 11, 16

E: 1, 6, 9, 11, 16

F: 1, 6, 9, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19





... For He has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one;

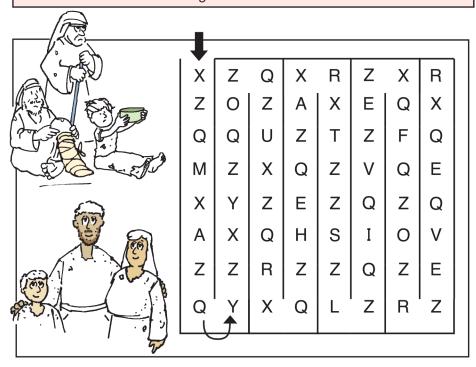
He has not hidden His from him but has listened to his cry for help.

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# The poor will eat and be satisfied; those who seek the LORD will praise Him ...

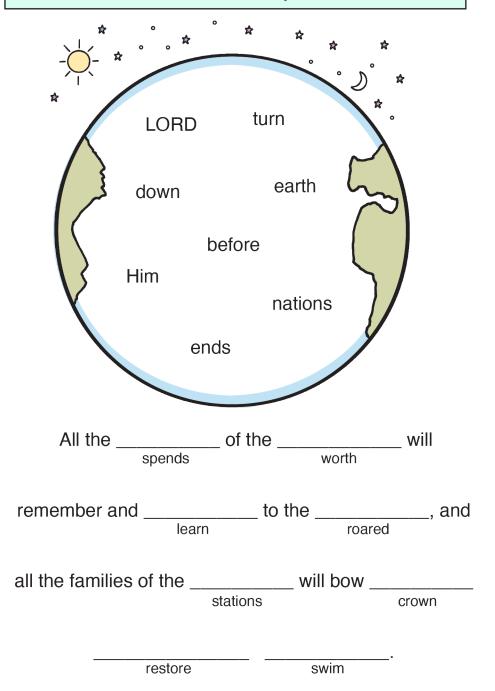
Start at the top arrow and cross out every "Q," "X" and "Z." Then write the remaining letters in order on the blanks below.



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# King David continued his psalm.

Write the word that rhymes with the word under each line. Each word is used only once.





What else did Jesus say?

This verse is written in the Hebrew way, right to left. Rewrite it in the English way, left to right.

evas ot stnaw reveohw roF" ,ti esol lliw efil rieht efil rieht sesol reveohw tub eht rof dna eM rof ".ti evas lliw lepsog





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# Jesus Tells What Is to Come

Find the underlined words in the puzzle.

Circle them.

 $V \rightarrow \leftarrow V$ 

Jesus began to <u>teach</u> His <u>disciples</u> about what was going to <u>happen</u> to <u>Him</u>. He said, "The <u>Son</u> of <u>Man</u> must <u>suffer many things</u> and be

rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and He must be killed and after three days rise again."

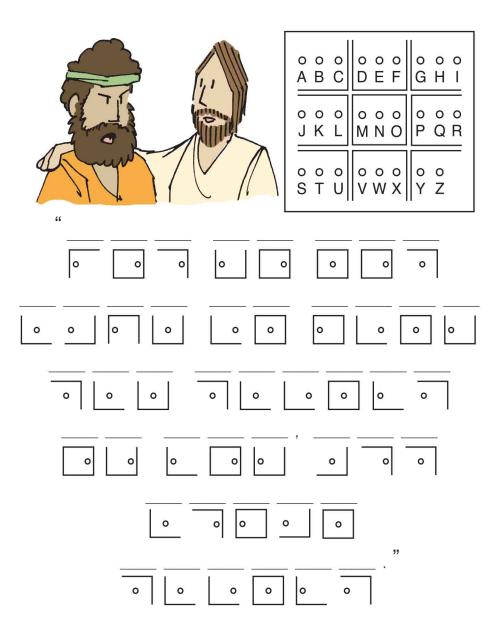
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Peter was very upset at the words Jesus spoke. He didn't understand why these bad things would have to happen.

Find Jesus' words to Peter by using this code.



Connect the dots to find some words of Jesus.

