

First Sunday of
Advent

November
29
2020

10:30 am

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Memorial United Methodist Church

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MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Poolesville, MD



Thank you for coming together in worship this morning. 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. As you participate with heart and/or voice, the words will be displayed on your screen for your convenience.

UMH=United Methodist Hymnal.; TFWS=The Faith We Sing.

WORSHIP SERVICE - November 29, 2020

MESSAGE - *The Advent of Grace*

READINGS - 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 and Mark 13:24-37

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: In those days, before the final coming of Christ in glory, there will be mighty signs.

PEOPLE: **They will be seen in the heavens and on earth.**

LEADER: They will remind us of God's eternal presence and power.

PEOPLE: **We will all be changed in the twinkling of an eye.**

LEADER: Therefore, let our hearts be glad and our souls rejoice!

PEOPLE: **God has reached out to all God's people with compassion and tender mercy. Amen.**

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

THEME *This Place is a Mess*

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 64:1-9

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE FOR AFTER THE CANDLE IS LIT

**O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lowly exile here
Until the son of God is near
Rejoice, Rejoice, Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.**

MUSIC

PRE-SERVICE An Assortment of In-Person Music played by Linda Custer

PRELUDE *People, Look East* by Mary McDonald

HYMNS *Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus* UMH 196
Soon and Very Soon UMH 706

POSTLUDE *Sleepers, Wake!* by Robert Lau

CONTRIBUTORS - *Thanks to those helping make this week's worship possible:*

PASTOR - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell WORSHIP ASST - Sandy Parnell-Dowell
ORGAN/PIANO - Linda Custer, Janet Hartz READER - Gary Hartz, Janet Hartz
VOCALIST - Sandi Baggett, Laura Blauch AUD/VID - David Melton, Tim Melton
Link Hoewing, Wendy Huff Kevin Schramm

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

SUN - NOV 29 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - Zoom ADVENT Child & Youth Sunday School - Zoom Worship Service - In-Person & YouTube
TUE - DEC 1	7 - 8:30 pm 8:30 - 9:30 pm	Men's Group Meeting - Zoom Task Force Committee Meeting - Zoom
WED - DEC 2	2 - 3 pm 5:30 - 7 pm	Saval Food Distribution - Parking Lot Community Dinner - CANCELED
THU - DEC 3	7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - Zoom
SAT - DEC 5	7 - 8 pm	IOOF #97 Seniors Christmas Party - CANCELED
SUN - DEC 6 <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - Zoom ADVENT Child & Youth Sunday School - Zoom Worship Service - In-Person & YouTube
TUE - DEC 8	7 - 8:30 pm 8:30 - 9:30 pm	Church Council Meeting - Zoom Task Force Committee Meeting - Zoom
WED - DEC 9	2 - 3 pm	Saval Food Distribution - Parking Lot
THU - DEC 10	7 - 8 pm 7 - 9 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - Zoom IOOF #97 Meeting - CANCELED
SAT - DEC 12	3 - 4 pm	Youth Christmas Dog Parade - Whalen Commons
SUN - DEC 13 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - Zoom ADVENT Child & Youth Sunday School - Zoom Worship Service - In-Person & YouTube

UPCOMING READER SCHEDULE

DATE	DEC 6	DEC 13	DEC 20
READERS	Sandi Baggett	Joan Carroll	AVAILABLE

PLEASE consider signing up. Visit www.pmumc.org and click on the announcement regarding sign-up for ministries or contact the church office. * Virtual Participation

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun., Nov 29 - **MATTHEW 1:18-23** *Broken People*
 Mon., Nov 30 - **JOHN 21:15-17** *A Generous Gift*
 Tue., Dec 1 - **1 THESSALONIANS 5:12-21** *The Blue Hyacinth*
 Wed., Dec 2 - **MATTHEW 7:21-28** *A Firm Place*
 Thu., Dec 3 - **ACTS 1:15-17, 20-26** *The Heart of the Matter*
 Fri., Dec 4 - **JOHN 14:15-27** *Prompting*
 Sat., Dec 5 - **MARK 6:30-46** *Press Pause*

Visit www.upperroom.com for more information.

MEMORIAL'S PURPOSE



CHURCH GIVING

AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING (last 8 weeks)
Will be updated next week

WEEKLY BUDGET GOALS
\$5,770

WAYS TO GIVE:

- **MAIL** to Memorial's PO Box 358
- **DROP** in Memorial's secured mailbox next to entrance
- **ELECTRONICALLY** via PMUMC.org

OFFICE INFORMATION

COORDINATOR HOURS
Monday-Friday, 9am-Noon

APPOINTMENTS WITH THE PASTOR
To schedule, please contact the office at 301-349-2010, office@pmumc.org, or visit www.pmumc.org

PHONE MESSAGES
Messages for Shirley and Pastor Tim are sent to their email accounts.

EMERGENCIES
For immediate pastoral care, please email Pastor Tim at PastorTim@PMUMC.org

CHURCH PERSONNEL

PASTOR - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

CHURCH COORDINATOR
Shirley Prasada-Rao

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Janet Hartz

ORGANIST - Linda Custer

BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR - Becky Smalley

HEAD USHER - Dr. Robert Spiker

HEAD ACOLYTES
Charlotte Selby and Rachel Smalley

CUSTODIAN - Pecoe Fleming

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorial's Child/Youth Sunday School
presents...

Boxes of LOVE!

*EVERYONE is encour-
aged to take one!*



Boxes of all shapes and sizes will be filled with LOVE and wrapped for ALL to take home. Whenever you look at your beautifully wrapped "gift" you will be reminded that God loves you!

Boxes will be available for pick-up starting Sunday, Nov 29th on the front steps by the old Main Door of the church.

If you would like to donate a box to be wrapped (*or already wrapped*), please drop it off by the bench at our new Main Entrance by Nov 28th.

Any questions, reach out to Betty King at BKing21710@gmail.com or the church office

LIVE NATIVITY 2020

Saturday, Dec 19th from 6:30-8 pm

Our annual event will have some minor changes to ensure both the participants' and our guests' safety. To participate, please email Ellie at EleanorGBateman@gmail.com. FYI - no one will share a costume!



Advent and Christmas Display

To provide an opportunity for reflection and meditation as we prepare for the birth of our Lord and Savior on Christmas, a progressive display will be in the sanctuary for viewing throughout Advent and Christmas.

In-Person - You may visit the sanctuary 10-10:30 and 11:30-11:45 am on Sundays during Advent, or from 3:15-4 pm on Christmas Eve.

Virtually - Pictures of the display will be available on Sundays before and after services from 10-10:15 and 11:30-11:45am on our YouTube channel. Each week the picture will be updated.

The sign in the picture states...

***"though your sins are
like scarlet, they shall
be like snow"***

Isaiah 1:18

*The red drape on the
cross represents our sins
and the snowflakes
represent forgiveness.*

*There would not be the
cross without the cradle.*



We pray that this display will bless each of you.

Youth Group Christmas Dog Parade

Youth are invited to come dressed up in Christmas attire along with their dressed up pup (or cat, rabbit, hamster - whatever pet you call your own or can borrow for the afternoon) for a mini parade. Dec. 12th at 3pm (*new time*) at Whalen Commons!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONNECT



CHALLENGE

**Our new Connect Challenge is to reach out to
someone that gives you HOPE**

Have fun with this new challenge or return to a former challenge engaging with someone new. Some of our previous challenges were to reach out to someone...

- you haven't seen since March
- that typically sits near you in church
- whose last name starts with the same letter as yours
- you talked to at a community dinner
- you are thankful for

These connections can be done by phone call or text, a porch visit, dropping off goodies (garden vegetables, flowers, sweets), or sending the time-less note. If you need a phone number or address, contact the church office at office@pmumc.org or 301-349-2010.

Have fun bringing joy to others and yourself!

Send requests to
prayers@pmumc.org
PRAYER REQUESTS
We are here to pray for you!



Gather for Worship
Sundays at 10:30 am



Most of Memorial's Small Groups will remain online.

If you are part of a group of 5 or less you may opt to hold your meeting in the church building while maintaining all proper social distancing protocol. To connect with a group email...

- **Worship Service** - visit www.PMUMC.org for instructions
- **Adult Sunday School** - contact Fred Lyon at cfredlyon@gmail.com
- **Youth Sunday School/VBS** - contact Betty King at bking21710@gmail.com
- **Church Council Meeting** - contact Scott McGrew at scott.mcgrew@aol.com
- **Youth Group** - contact Pastor Tim at pastortim@pmumc.org or Betty King at bking21710@gmail.com
- **Trustees Meeting** - contact Gary Hartz at gjalaska@verizon.net
- **Review/Preview with Pastor Tim** - contact Pastor Tim at pastortim@pmumc.org
- **Men's Group** - contact Ray Hoewing at RLHoewing@gmail.com



Be a part of The United Methodist Church 2020 Worldwide Virtual Christmas Choir Video!

You've seen the videos of choirs and studio singers coming together (digitally) to sing uplifting songs and hymns, creating works of art that in times like these are needed and incredibly inspiring. Now is your chance to be a part of a virtual choir for Christmas! Come together with unified voices to celebrate the birth of Christ our Savior!

Visit <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/articles/christmaschoir> to find the directions on how to go about making your contribution to the video. **All videos must be submitted by THIS TUESDAY, Dec. 1st by noon (CDT) - that's 1pm our time.**

Lift up your Hearts:

A weekly prayer for the Baltimore-Washington Conference from the Appointive Cabinet.

God of Heaven and Earth,
of Space and Time,
of all that is Seen and Unseen:
We, your children, lift our hearts to you
in gratitude and thanksgiving.
For you are the God of our rest,
the source of all our provision,
the bringer of truth, and the author of justice.
The Heavens declare your glory,
the earth your majesty.
We are surrounded by signs and wonders
that reveal your unfailing love.
Yet we are beset by troubles, weary in our striving,
and too reliant on our own strength.
Renew and revive us, Spirit of God.
May we drink of your living water.
May we feast at your bountiful table.
May we embrace all your children as family.
You are our Rock, our refuge.
Our one true Home.
Amen.

Signing for the Holidays

Join Rev. Leo Yates to learn about American Sign Language for the holidays on **Dec. 5th at 10am.** Contact Rev. Yates at RevYates@eumclaurel.org to receive Zoom information.



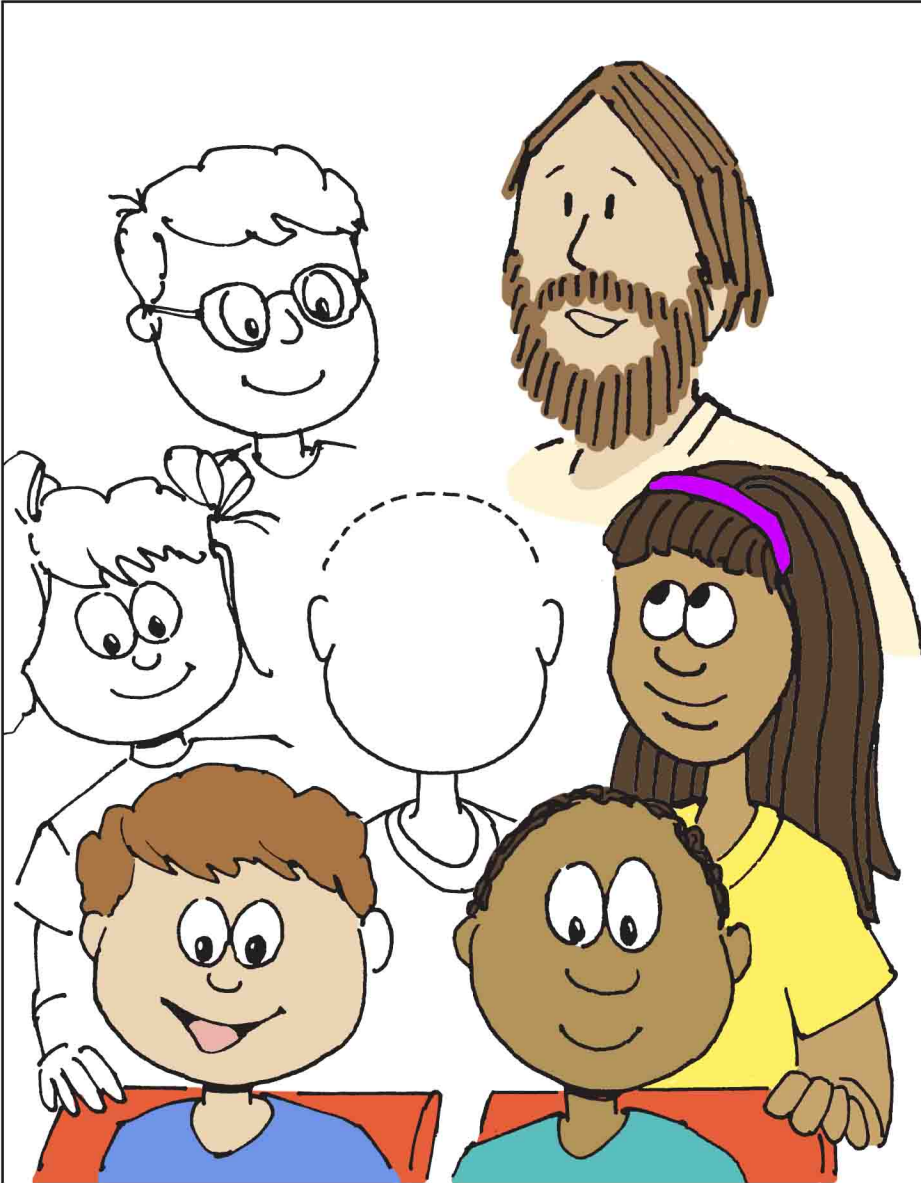
Learn how to sign a Christmas Hymn and Holiday signs.

Sponsored by Emmanuel United Methodist Church in Laurel MD

Online courses at Wesley: We are all looking forward to the end of 2020... why not launch 2021 with taking an online class at Wesley Theological Seminary? For information whether it's your first class ever, continuing a degree or certificate program, or taking a continuing education class go to <https://www.wesleyseminary.edu/admissions/try-a-class-2/> or call (202)885-8659.

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

Draw your face.



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November 29, 2020 • 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



praying



goodness



love



peace



servicing



teaching

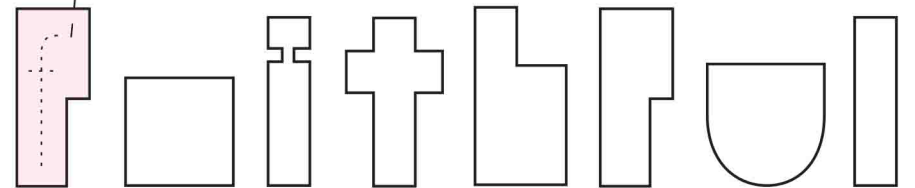
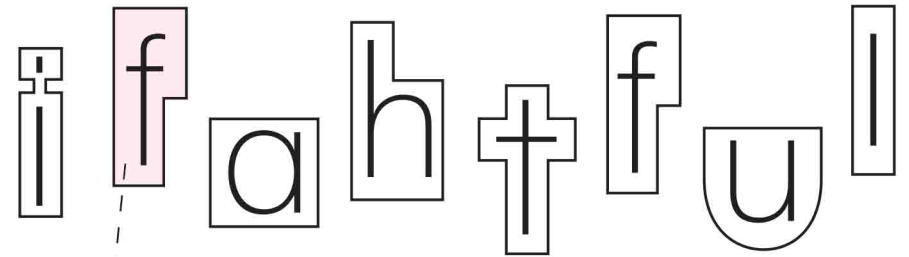
God will keep you strong to the end.

Circle the 1 picture that is different.



God is faithful.

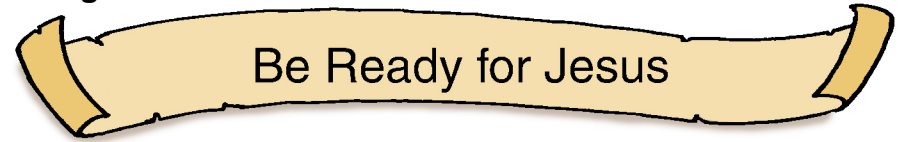
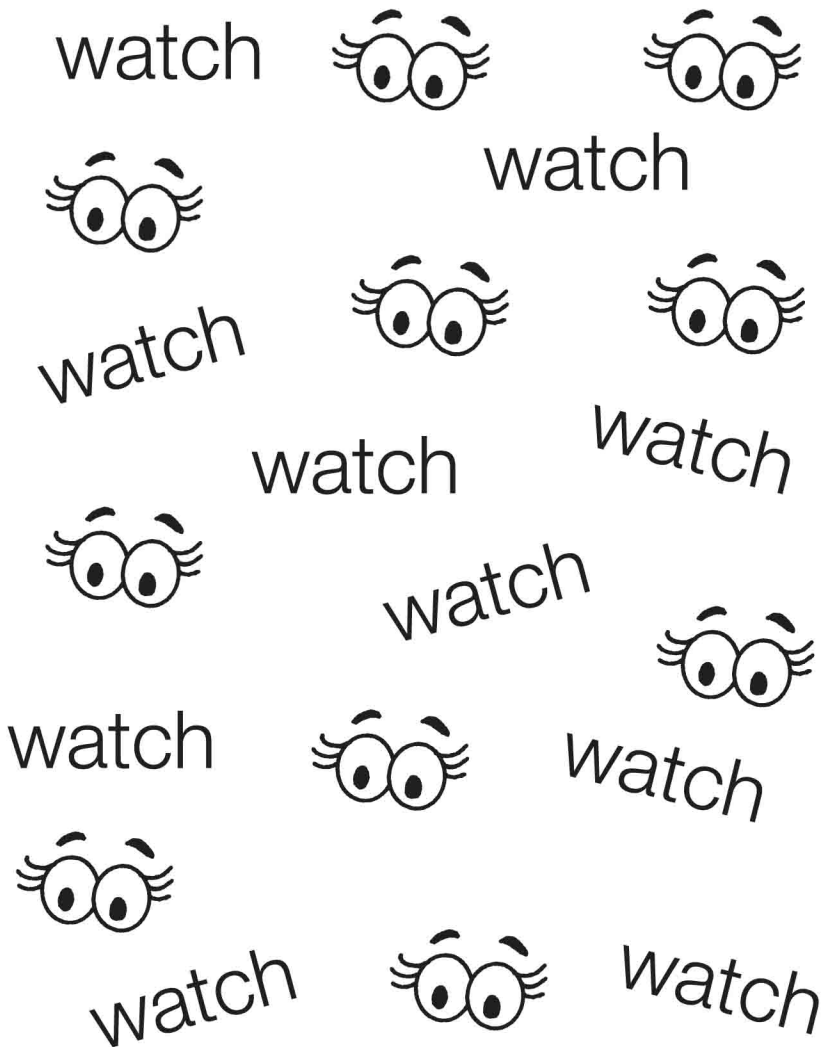
Draw lines to match the letters to the empty shapes.
Then write in the letters.



We should all be ready for Jesus to return. So ...

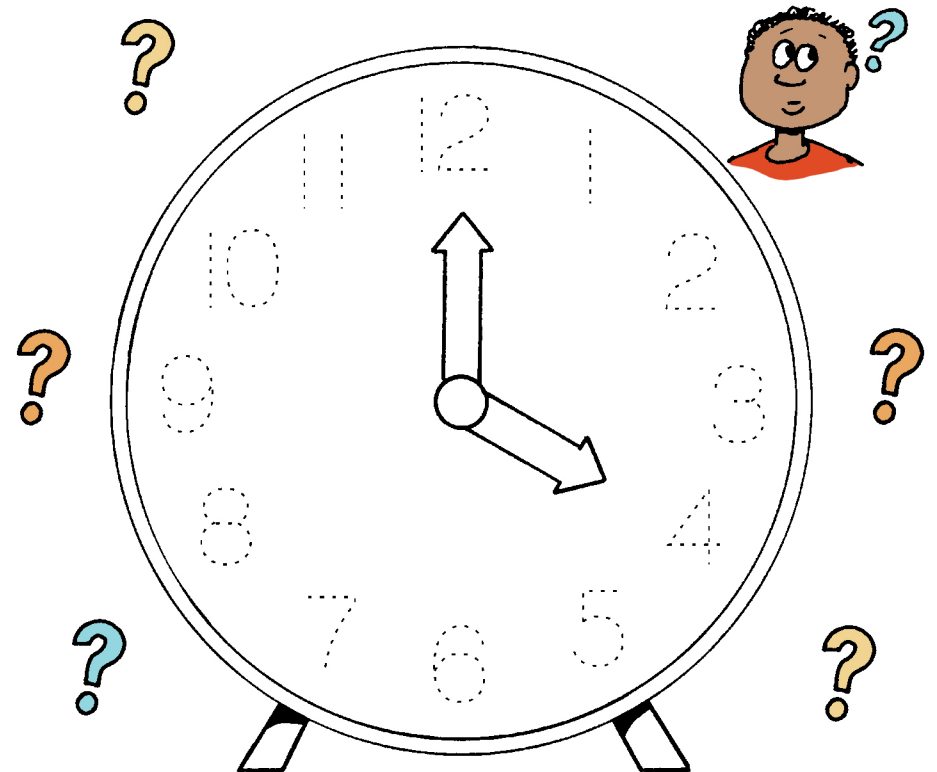
Count and **circle** the number of the word "watch."

8 9 10 or 11 ?



What day or time will Jesus return? Only God knows.

Trace the numbers on the clock.

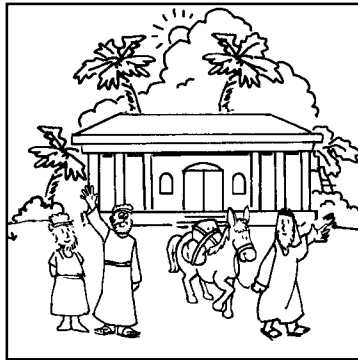


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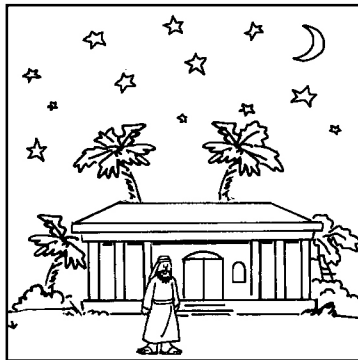
A man was going away.
He put his servants in charge.
1 stands watch at the door.

Match the correct number to put the pictures in order.

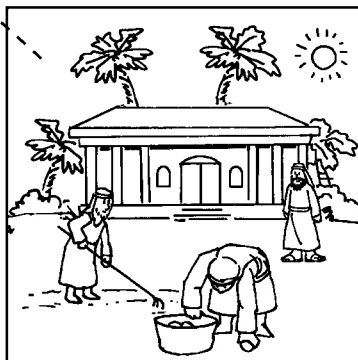
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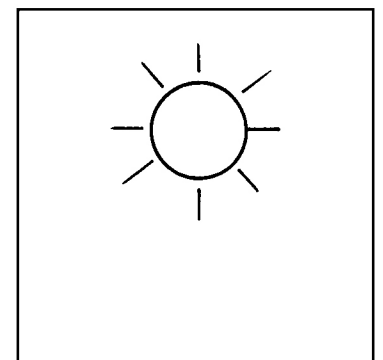
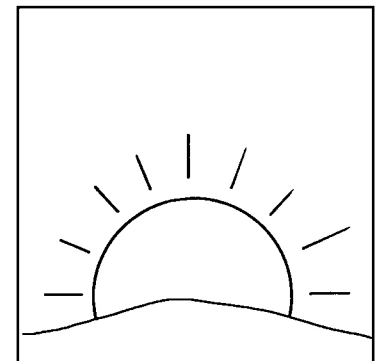
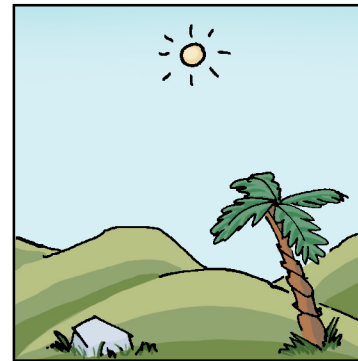
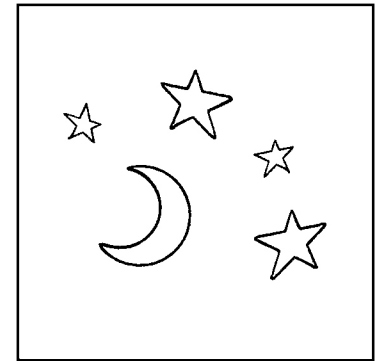
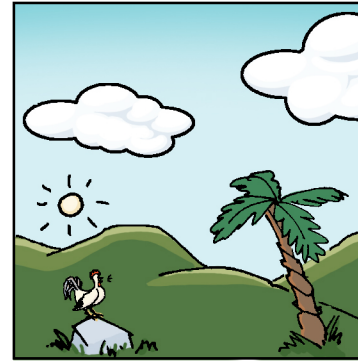


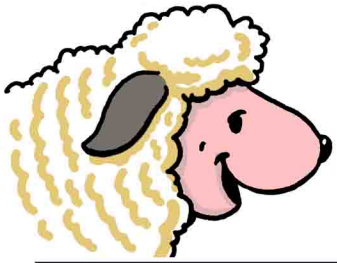
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“Keep watch! You do not know when the
owner of the house will be back.”

Match the pictures for the times of the day.





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

“ 1 2 3 11 8
 7 14 11 9 12 7 5 l w 12 2
 12 14 8 c 14 l l 15 3
 4 2 5 11 6 9 2
 l l w
 7 15 2 8 12 11 13
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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
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Paul said, “G _____ and _____
 to you from _____ our _____
 and the Lord _____ Christ.”

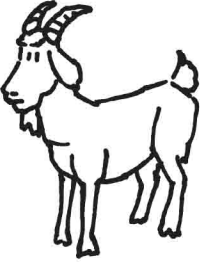



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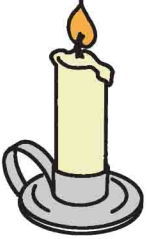
What did Paul say next?

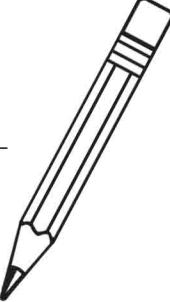
Write the word for each picture.
Then fill in the blanks below.

1 _____ 

2 _____ 

3 _____ 

4 _____ 

5 _____ 

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

“ _____
 U L I R M S R N

 B L F S Z E V Y V V M

 V M I R X S V W

 R M V E V I B D Z B

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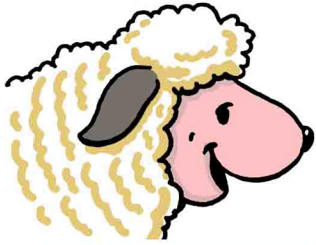
 X L M U R I N R M T

 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.”

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



Jesus said, "What I say to you, I say to everyone." What did He say to them?

Follow the directions to find the answer.

DISCIPLES

Switch the "C" and the "E." _____

Change the "E" to an "A" and the "P" to a "W." _____

Change the second "I" to a "T." _____

Change the "D" to an "H." _____

Switch the "H" and the last "S." Delete the "I." _____

Move the "W" to the first position. Delete the "L." _____

Delete both of the "S"s. _____

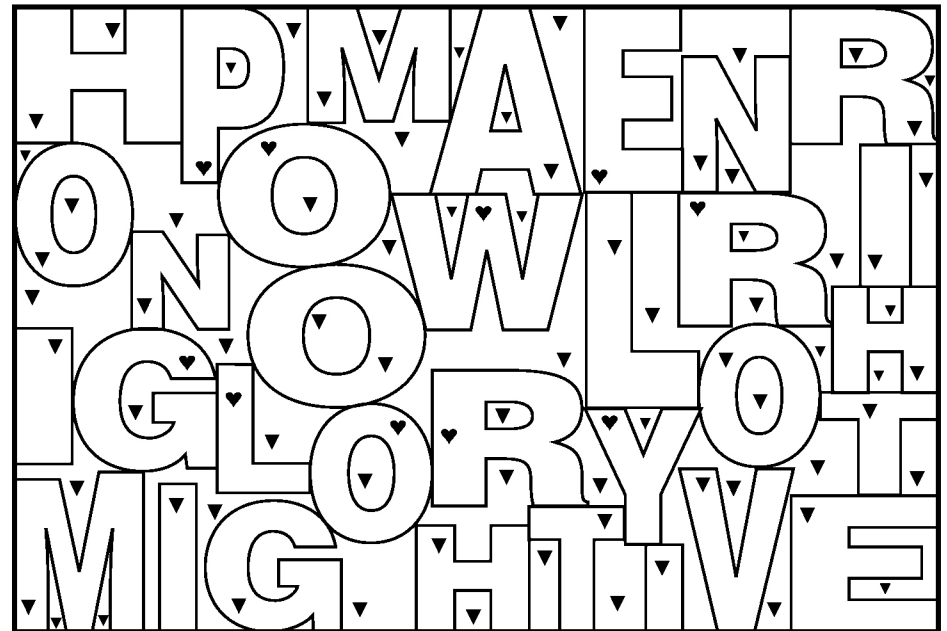
Jesus said,
" _____ !"



Be Ready for Jesus

At the end of the age, people will see the Son of Man coming. How will He come?

Shade in all the shapes with a ♥ to find the answers.



"The Son of Man will come in clouds with great _____ and _____."

