



*Embodying Jesus'  
All-Encompassing  
Hospitality*

*Florida's first Presbyterians, since 1824*

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January 28, 2024

11:00 a.m.

## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

*Childrens' bulletins are available at each door for children to take upon entering the sanctuary and use during worship.*

*Activity bags will be available during the Children's Moment. Please leave the bags in the pews after the service.*

### GATHERING

#### TOLLING OF THE HOUR

*The prelude marks a time of preparation for worship. Please be considerate of those who seek to use this time for prayer and reflection through the gift of music.*

PRELUDE "Adagio in E Major" Franck Bridge (1879-1941)

INTROIT "Lead Me, Lord" Samuel Sebastian Wesley

*Lead me, Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness; make Thy way plain before my face.  
For it is Thou, Lord only, that makest me dwell in safety.*

#### GREETING *(responsive)*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us take a moment of silence to center ourselves on God.

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsive)*

Luke 27 and Isaiah 45, Adapted

Hear God's people!

**You shall love God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your might.**

Hear God's people!

**Love God truly. And your neighbor as yourself.**

Hear God's people!

**God is Great, there is no God but God.**

Come let us worship the LORD!

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*HYMN NO. 1

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"  
(words and music continued on next page)

NICAEA

# 1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Descant



4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,

2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,

3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



ho - ly,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.

cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;

though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,

All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

ho - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Holy God, we confess that we are an arrogant people – so full of “knowledge” that we hardly have any room for love. We confess that we too often judge when we really need to listen. We confess that we push people away when You call us to welcome them into our communities. We confess that we think only about protecting ourselves when we are challenged to risk everything for others. Lord, forgive us for being more concerned with “being right” than we are with “showing love”. Forgive us for demanding uniformity when You call us to celebrate diversity. Guide us, Great God, to live according to Your unconditional love. Teach us to see one another as sisters and brothers, that we may learn to live as one family.

*A brief silence is kept for individual confession*

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON (*responsive*)

1 John 4:10, adapted

In this is love, not that we loved God,

**But that God loved us and gave the Son as the means of our forgiveness.**

Friends, know that you and I are forgiven in Jesus Christ and be at peace.

**Amen.**

### \*GLORIA PATRI

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly

Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and e - ver

shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

**\*THE PEACE** *(responsive)*

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we also ought to forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Please greet those around you with words and signs of God's reconciling peace*

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*The children of the church gather at the baptismal font*

## CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY

*Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers*

## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:21-28

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The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

#### SERMON

"Jiminy Cricket"

Rev. Rachael McNeal

*Silent meditation on sermon*

## PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS AND THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Connery H. Cox and Michael P. Owen will receive the Sacrament of Baptism*

Session Elder: Marie Mercready

By Baptism: Connery Cox, Michael Owen

By Profession of Faith: Brian Marvin

By Reaffirmation of Faith: Carl Duyck, Dennis Flood, Marion Matthews, Chris Pang, Paula Rives, Danielle Usina, Kevin Usina

By Transfer of Membership: Terry Greer, Trinity Episcopal Parish, St. Augustine, FL; David Twombly, Peacedale Congregational Church, Wakefield, RI; Gail Twombly, Peacedale Congregational Church, Wakefield, RI

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER (*responsive*)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

THE BAPTISM

LAYING ON OF HANDS

PRESENTATION OF BAPTISMAL GIFTS

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS (*responsive*)

We welcome all of you into the worship and work of this congregation. God has drawn

us together by the power of the Holy Spirit and God, we trust, will draw us yet closer together in ties of mutual love and shared service. What are your words of welcome to these brothers and sisters?

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into the worship and ministry of this congregation, for we are all one in Christ.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

***Please use this time to reflect on how we might  
offer ourselves, and our resources, to God***

*Four ways to give: Please drop a check in the offering plate as you exit the sanctuary, mail a check to the church office, click the GIVE NOW button on our website, or text STAMPC to 73256*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Hallelujah! Amen"

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

*Hallelujah! Amen. O Judah, rejoice in songs divine.*

*With cherubim and seraphim harmonious join.*

## \*DOXOLOGY

## OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*(some substitute "God" for "Him")*

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (*responsive*)

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Oh God, with faith, hope and love we offer these gifts;

**Use them, even as You use us.**

Accept and use our offerings to accomplish Your purposes,

**And for the service of Your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

**SENDING**

\*HYMN NO. 316

"Where Charity and Love Prevail"

TWENTY-FOURTH

*(words and music on the next page)*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

"May the Road Rise to Meet You"

Lee Turner

*May the road rise to meet you,  
May the wind blow at your back,  
May the sun shine warmly on your face;  
May the rain fall softly on your field;  
And until we meet again, until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.*

\*POSTLUDE

"Presto" (Concerto in G)

J. S. Bach

*\*Please stand as you are able*


***Children's Worship Activity Bags: Please leave activity bags  
in the pews at the conclusion of the service***



# Where Charity and Love Prevail 316



1 Where char-i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;  
2 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son.  
3 Let strife a - mong us be un-known; let all con - ten - tions cease.  
4 Let us for-give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,  
5 Love can ex-clude no race or creed if hon - ored be God's name;



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.  
As mem-bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.  
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.  
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris-tian gen - tle - ness.  
our com-mon life em - brac - es all whose Mak - er is the same.

## MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Called by Jesus Christ to love God, neighbor, and self by the power of the Holy Spirit

## VISION STATEMENT

Embodying Jesus' all-encompassing hospitality

*The Prayer of Confession was written by Amy Loving, and posted on  
The Worship Closet: The Place for Creative Worship Ideas.*

## WORSHIP LEADERS

**Rev. Rachael McNeal, Associate Pastor of Youth and Outreach:** Greeting, Call to Worship, Prayer of the Day, Celebration of Community, Prayer for Illumination, Sermon, Presentation of New Members, Baptism, Charge and Benediction

**Rev. Dr. Hunter Camp, Pastor and Head of Staff:** Invitation to Confession, Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, The Peace, Children's Moment, First Lesson, Presentation of New Members, Baptism, Affirmation of Faith, Prayers of the People, The Lord's Prayer, Offering, Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Tom Rodgers:** Guest Organist

**Lector:** Carol Saunders

## **MPC SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

**January 28, 2024**

**9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

### **Children's Sunday School: "Banquet with Simon"**

- Preschool: Room 204 with Lindsey Hailey
- K – 2<sup>nd</sup>: Room 224 with Judy Robb & Keith Pyles
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>: Room 209 Beth and Tracy Upchurch

### **Youth Sunday School:**

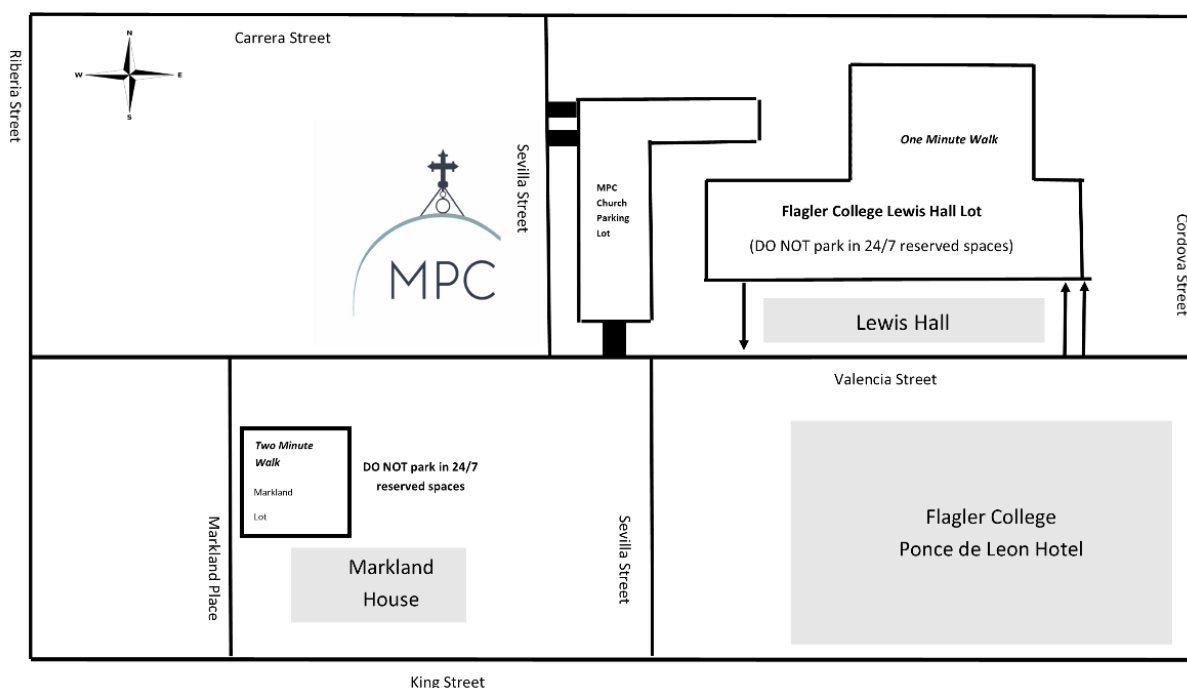
- 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>: Room 207, "Rahab"
- 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>: Youth Loft, "Job"
- High School: Youth Loft, "Job"

### **Adult Sunday School:**

- The Friendship Class (Dr. Proctor's Class): "Do You Understand the Bible?" in the Chapel History Room
- APEX Young(ish) Adults: "Living in Community with Youth", with Rev. Rachael McNeal, Room 218
- Spiritual Formation: "The Way of Prayer, Companions in Christ Series" with Rev. Amy Lehr Camp, Lewis Fellowship Hall Parlor
- Short-Term Studies: "The Glide, sections 51-62" by Dr. Hunter Camp, Room 205
- Christian Meditation: "Meditation and Contemplative Prayer" in Room 215 and via Zoom (hybrid format). Contact Marc Craddock for any questions at [marccraddock@mac.com](mailto:marccraddock@mac.com). Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/371289063?pwd=NHdCdFU2THRUbVh4ZFpWTGsyRWV5UT09>; Meeting ID: 371 289 063; Passcode: 083593

#### **MPC SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE PARKING:**

**In addition to the MPC lot and street parking, you may park in the Flagler College Lewis Hall parking lots and Markland House lot. The Lewis lots are accessed via the Valencia Street and Carrera Street entrances; the Markland House lot is accessed via Markland Place. These lots are only available to Memorial on Sunday mornings**



## MISSION & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS THIS WEEK 1-28-24

**Flowers:** The flowers in the chancel this morning are given by Doris and Norm Noblet to the glory of God and in loving memory of Amanda Noblet.

**Happy Birthday** to our members and friends celebrating birthdays this week, January 28 – February 3: Bill Abare, Lyndal Dutton, Aliya Ferrell, Gift Manville, Edward Manville, Anna Reedy, Olivia Schnittker, Sadie Steen, Corbin Ubbels, Andrew Wagner, Gary Wagner, Tom Welsch

**FEAST Wednesday Night Dinner and Program:** Come to the church for dinner at 5:15 p.m. and programs (Children's Choir, Youth Lounge in the Loft, and Adult Program) at 6:00 p.m. It's a great opportunity to get to know your church family with a shared meal. The Nursery is available as well.

**This Wednesday, January 31, 2024:**

- **Dinner at 5:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Beef Stew.** Cost is \$7.00/Adult and \$4.00/Child. Children's Meal: Chick-fil-A with side, sweet treat & bread.
- **Grab 'N Go Meals:** If you would like a Grab 'N Go meal, please text your order to Chef Cheryl at 240-285-3731 by 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday to pre-order. Pay at the front door of Fellowship Hall.
- **Program at 6:00 p.m.:** "Addiction 101", Val DeVille, LMHC and Chris Blauvelt, Addiction Specialist, Chapel

**Outdoor Gentle Yoga:** Outdoor Gentle Yoga starts up again this Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. The new start time is 10:30 a.m. We will meet on the church lawn on Wednesdays. Please bring a mat, water bottle and sunscreen. We hope to see you there!

**The Players Championship – Chip in for Charity:** Would you like to purchase TPC tickets (March 14 17) and help out PDS? Please feel free to share the PDS code below for purchasing TPC tickets. Anyone can purchase (family/friends) and PDS will receive \$40 of every ticket sold. Select Chip in for Charity and use our code, Code: 470FAW, <https://shops.ticketmasterpartners.com/the-players-chip-in-for-charity>

**2024 Vacation Bible School:** Save the Date for **June 10-13, 2024**; 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Our theme is "Hometown Nazareth: Where Jesus was a Kid" and is open to Four-Year-Old through Rising 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students. Parents and volunteers, mark your calendars. Registration link coming in March.

**ARE YOU STRUGGLING? You are not alone.** Call the church office 904-829-6451 and make an appointment with one of our pastors.

**Church Officers:** Are you curious about our Elders, Deacons, and Trustees---who they are and the capacities in which they serve? If so, please check out a new page on our church website called "Church Officers." It can be found under the "About" tab at memorialpcusa.org. We're thankful for all our leaders who have been called to serve as church officers!

**Al-Anon at MPC:** Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. and Saturdays 9:30 a.m. in Room 205. You will find love, understanding, and a lot of hope from the Al-Anon family groups, where we share our experience, strength and hope. This helps us focus on ourselves and our recovery from the effects of the disease of alcoholism. It's a safe place, the right place to be. Your anonymity is protected at all times.

**Need Prayer?** Prayer Request Cards are back in the pews, and you can place the prayer card in the offering plate as you leave Sunday services, or you can email [amycamp@memorialpcusa.org](mailto:amycamp@memorialpcusa.org) for private prayer or [krissings@yahoo.com](mailto:krissings@yahoo.com) for MPC's public prayer chain.

**We are a Matthew 25 Congregation:** Visit this website for more information: <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/>. For more information about what that means for MPC, contact Julie Reffel, Chairperson of our Session's Peacemaking Committee [jreffel@valdosta.edu](mailto:jreffel@valdosta.edu) or Tom Eyerly, Matthew 25 Point Person: [tom@eyerly.org](mailto:tom@eyerly.org)

**Please Remember in Prayer or Correspondence:**

*Riverside Cottages:* Bette Upchurch; *Wellington Place of Brentwood, Brentwood, TN:* Sue Holder

**Recovering at Home:**

Vickie Gard, Janet Giordano, Betsy Haynes, Bob Mullen

**Our Military Personnel Serving Overseas and at Home:**

Private 1<sup>st</sup> Class, Jackson Arthur Sharpe, serving at Ft. Hood, TX  
Air National Guardsman Medic, John David Sessums, serving on the Medical Team with the National Guard

CHURCH CALENDAR		
Sun. 1-28-24	8:30 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am 12:15 – 3:30 pm 5:00 pm 5:30 pm	Worship Service Sunday School (Dr. Proctor's Class starts at 9:40) New Member Orientation Worship Service Sanctuary Open for Tours Practice for Youth Sunday – Lewis Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary Seekers Group Study – Zoom
Mon. 1-29-24	3:30 – 8:00 pm	Sacred Music Academy – Rooms 204, 205, 207, 215, 218, Nursery, Choir Room, Sanctuary
Tues. 1-30-24	10:00 am 3:00 pm 5:30 pm	Al-Anon Meeting – Room 205 Christ, Conversation & Connection - Zoom St. Augustine Community Chorus - FH
Wed. 1-31-24	4:00 pm 5:15 – 7:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Ukirk – College – Lewis Fellowship Hall Parlor FEAST Dinner and Program Children's Choirs – Cherub, Room 224; Jubilee, Room 215 Adult Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
Thurs. 2-1-24	8:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 2:00 pm	Sew & Sow – Lewis Fellowship Hall Upper Landing Stewardship Meeting – Office Parlor GriefShare Meeting – Room 205 Dan Masse Memorial Service
Fri. 2-2-24	11:00 – 3:30	Sanctuary Open for Tours
Sat. 2-3-24	9:00 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am	Black History Tour Beginners Al-Anon – Room 205 Al-Anon – Room 205 Fred Kutschke Memorial Service Al-Anon STEP Meeting – Room 205



**FIND US  
ON**



Memorial Presbyterian Church  
32 Sevilla Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084  
[Memorialpcusa.org](http://Memorialpcusa.org)

We had 21 new members join our church family! Please welcome:



Connery Cox



Carl Duyck



Dennis Flood



Terry Greer





Mike and Judy Kinaszczuk



Mary and Nick Morcom



Cap. Brian Marvin  
and Marion Matthews



Dr. Michael Owen





Chris Pang



Paula Rives



Kyla and Jacob Salmond



Jordan and Christi Stokes



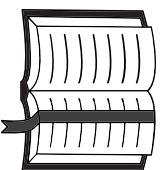
David and Gail Twombly



Kevin and Dawn Usina

We are so happy  
you are here!

# COLOR IN THE WORDS



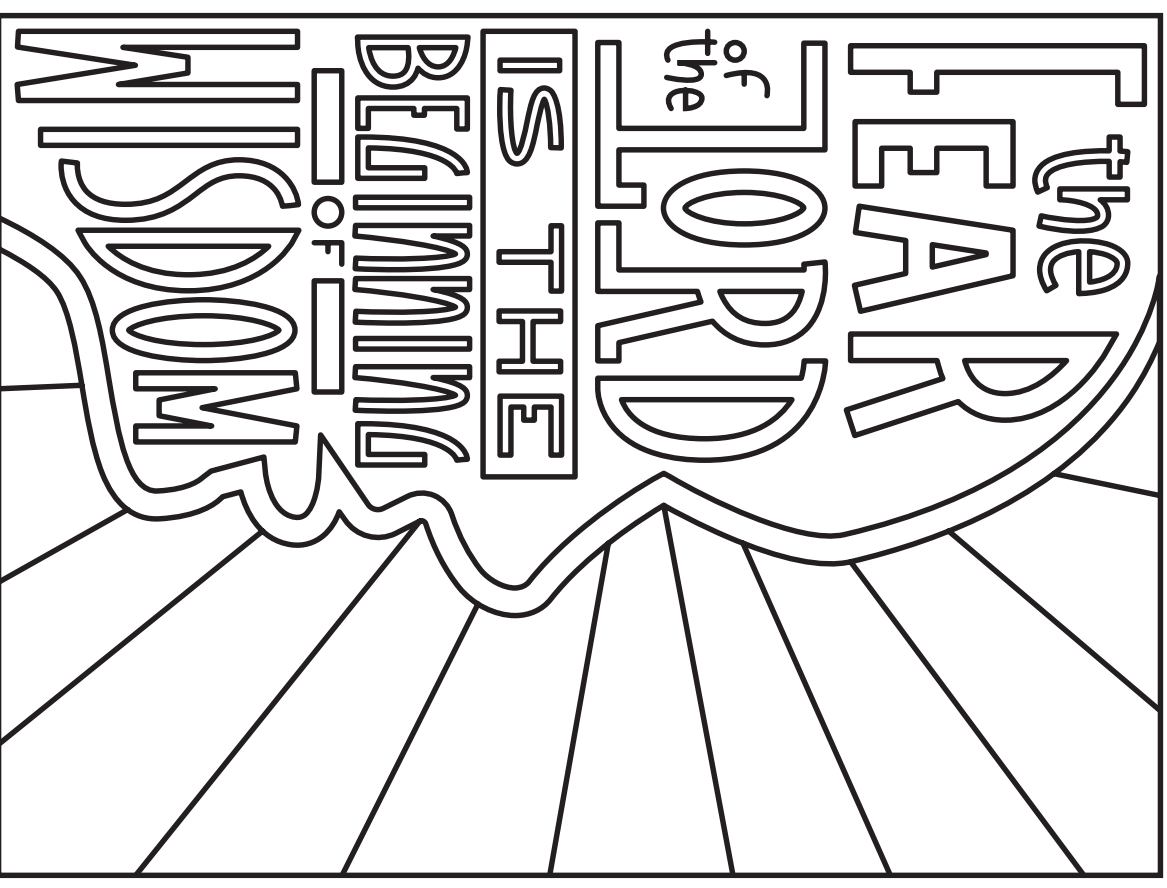
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# CHILDREIN'S WORSHIP • BULLETIN

Activities based on Psalm 111, 1 Corinthians 8:1-13, Mark 12:1-28.



# UNSCRAMBLE IT

Unscramble the words from Psalm 111.

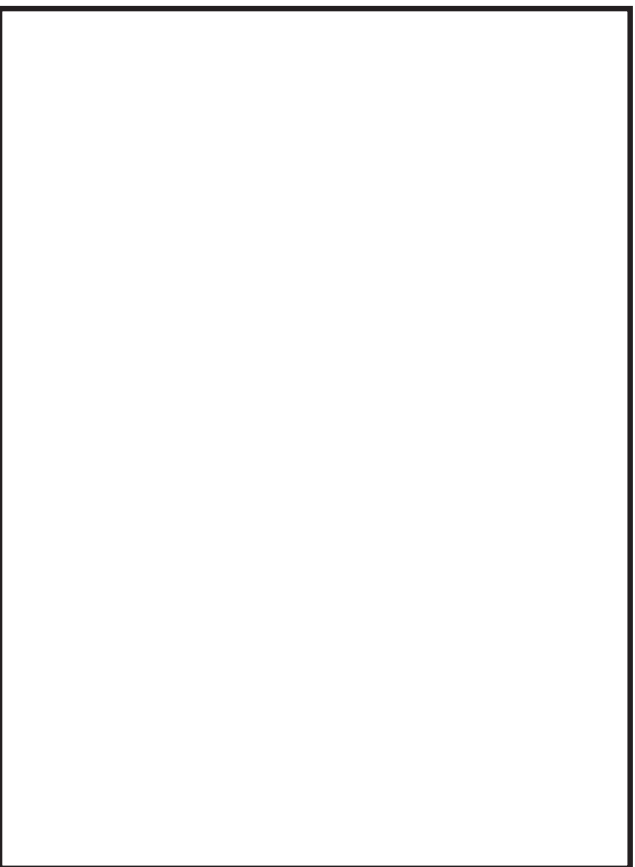
U F L L F O H R N O O A D N

Y A T M S E J S T T E H

O K W R F O G D O .

DOODLE AREA

Draw a picture of an act of kindness you can do.



# SOLVE (the) MAZE

Mark 1 says that Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum to teach in the Synagogue. The people were amazed by his teaching. Help Jesus and his disciples travel from the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum.

