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Jesus is with us always

God is called the "Alpha and the Omega." *Alpha* and *omega* are the first and last letters in the Greek alphabet. Use the letters of our alphabet to solve the mystery sentence.

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4 = D	9 = I	14 = N	18 = R	22 = V	26 = Z
5 = E	10 = J				



Thank you, Lord, for being with us yesterday, today, and tomorrow. Amen

This week

Advent is coming! Find your family's Advent wreath.

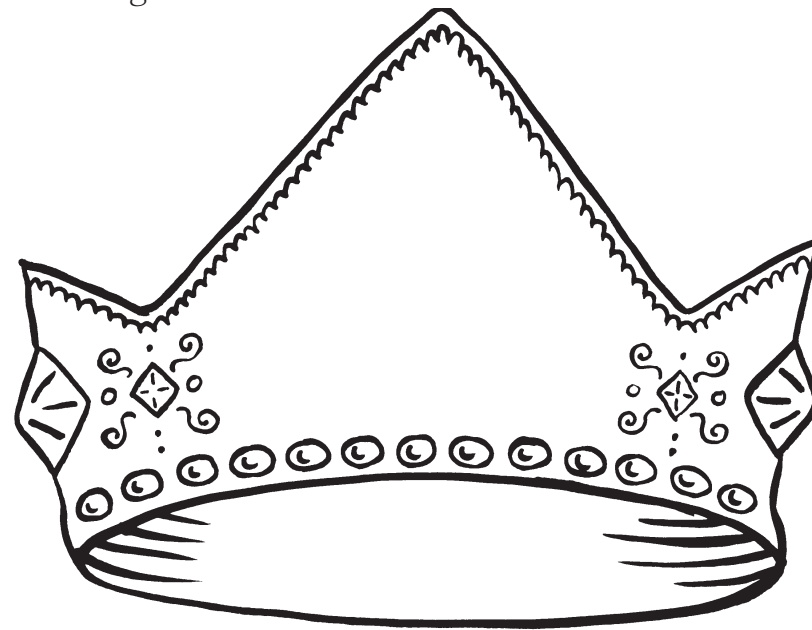
Kids Celebrate



Christ the King / Lectionary 34

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Welcome to worship. The people of Jesus' time were waiting for a king. Jesus was not the king they expected. Jesus was not born in a palace. Jesus didn't have servants or fancy clothes. But Jesus is greater than any king. Today is Christ the King Sunday. Decorate the crown. Jesus is our king. He will be our king forever.



Talk about a time (happy or sad) when you knew Christ was a guide for your family.

Hear & Celebrate

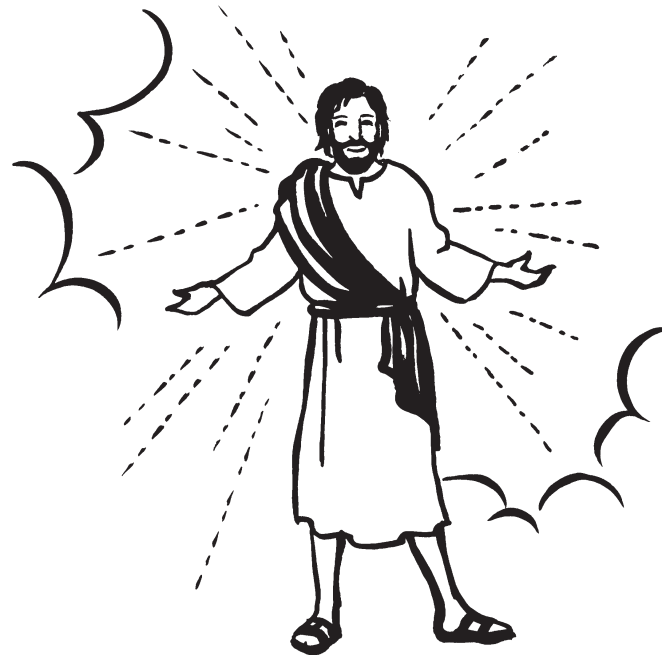
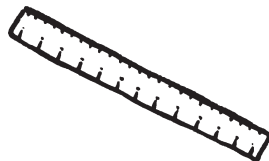
Jesus, our ruler

The last book in the Bible is Revelation. It calls Jesus the ruler of the kings of the earth. What is a ruler?

A ruler is ...

A. a powerful leader of people

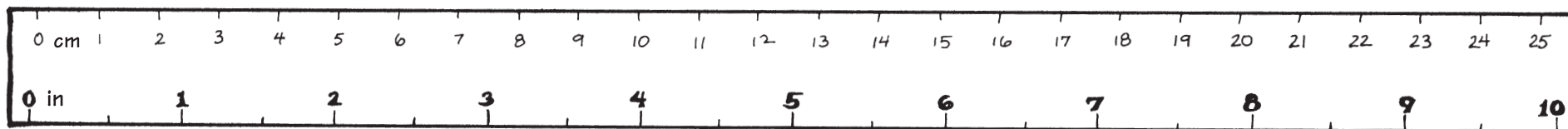
B. a guide to use when measuring things



What kind of a ruler is Jesus? Jesus is both kinds! Jesus is our leader who deserves our praise and honor. He leads us as king in a loving way. Jesus' words also help guide our lives. We measure our lives by learning about Jesus' words and actions. Jesus' example teaches us how to serve others.

Use this ruler to measure things you use during worship:

A worship book _____ A pencil _____ A coin for offering _____ An offering envelope _____ A bulletin _____



Robed Up

In many traditions, worship leaders will wear cloth strips called stoles hanging off their shoulders. These stoles can be decorated with designs. Is your pastor wearing a stole? If he or she is, look at it carefully, then draw what it looks like on the stole below. If not, then create your own design. What symbols can you use?



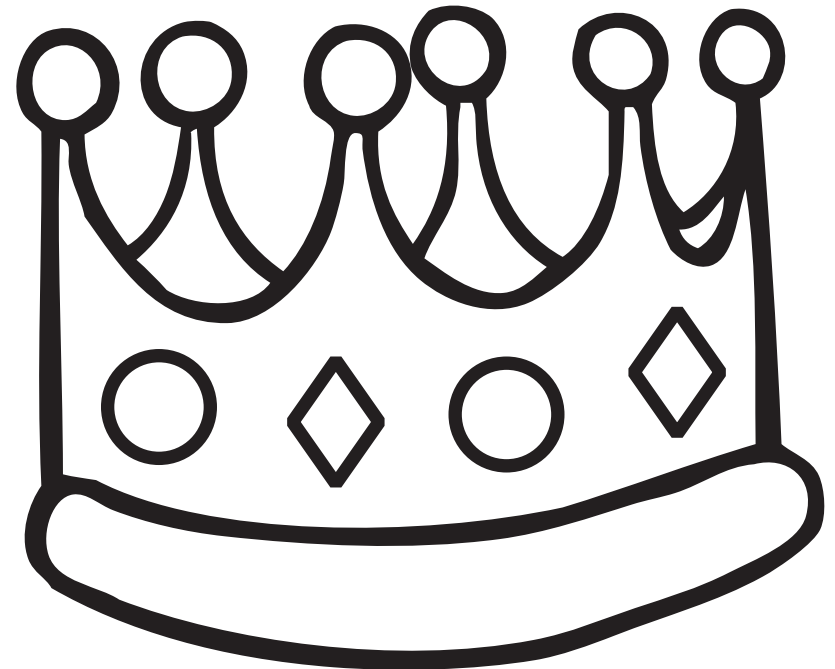
READER

Christ the King

- Today is the **Christ the King Sunday**.
- On this Sunday we celebrate Jesus who is **Lord of all**.
- This is **the final Sunday** in the church calendar!
- The church year begins when **Advent** starts next week.
- The symbol of Christ the King Sunday is a **crown**.

Crowning Jewels

When Jesus lived on earth, he wasn't wealthy with money or possessions. He was rich in God's goodness and power. Decorate jewels in the crown of Christ the King with a few things that make God great. You can pick from the words under the crown or use your own ideas.

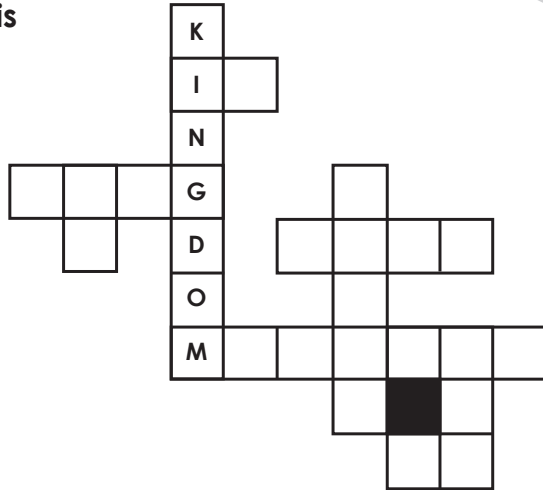


PEACE, MERCY, JUSTICE, FORGIVENESS,
GRACE, POWER, TRUTH

Today's memory verse about God's kingdom has only 8 different words. Place them into the grid around the word kingdom.



The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty.
 – Psalm 93:1a



Positions of Power

There aren't very many powerful kings left in the world. What are some positions of power in your family, your school, and your government? Write a few on the lines below. How is their power the same as or different from the rule of Christ the King?

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Looking for the Kingdom

Today's Gospel message is John 18:33-37. Find the important words from that passage in this word search.



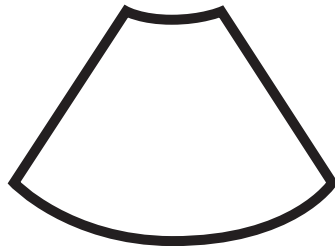
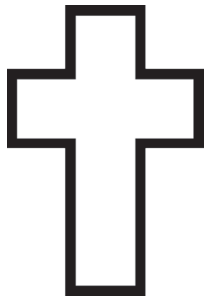
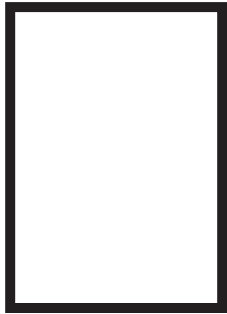
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FOLLOWERS	KINGDOM	TESTIFY
HEADQUARTERS	LISTEN	TRUTH
JESUS	NATION	VOICE
JEWS	PILATE	WORLD

Crack it Open

Today's memory verse comes from the Psalms. Do you know how to find the Psalms? In most Bibles, they are almost exactly halfway through. Hold a Bible in front of you with the spine down. Try to open up the Bible at its midpoint. Did you find the Psalms? Practice a few times until you get them on the first try.

Look around your worship space. What shape does the floor make? Below are some common shapes of sanctuaries.

Circle the one that matches your church, or draw your own in the space below.

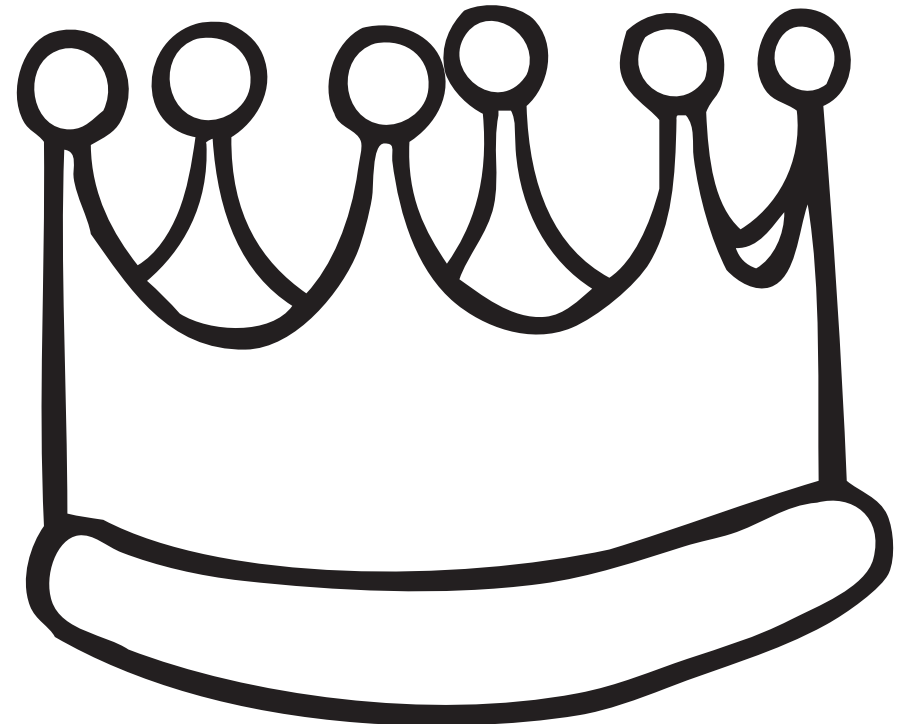


PRE-READER

Christ the King

- Today is the **Christ the King Sunday**.
- We celebrate that **Jesus is the king** of everything!
- Christ the King Sunday is the last Sunday **before Advent**.
- The symbol of Christ the King Sunday is a **crown**.

Here is a plain crown. Color it and decorate it with lots of jewels.





**When Pontius Pilate saw Jesus he asked,
“Are you the king of the Jews?”**

Today's Psalm says that God is “robed in majesty” (Psalms 93:1a). What could a robe like that look like?

Decorate Jesus' clothing with beautiful colors and designs.

