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Serving others

The pastor gives a blessing from God at the end of worship called the *benediction*. God blesses us. We pass the blessing on by serving others.



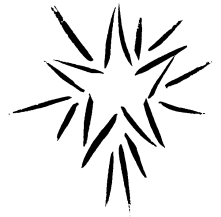
What is wrong with this restaurant? Who is serving? Who is being served? Circle people who are out of place.

This week

Thank people who serve you: mail carriers, school staff, family, and friends.

Kids Celebrate

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany



gather

Welcome to worship.

God surprises us with things we don't expect. Jesus came to us as a baby, not as a powerful king. Jesus talks to all people, not just the important leaders. He tells them the opposite of what they expect to hear.

Draw lines connecting the opposites.

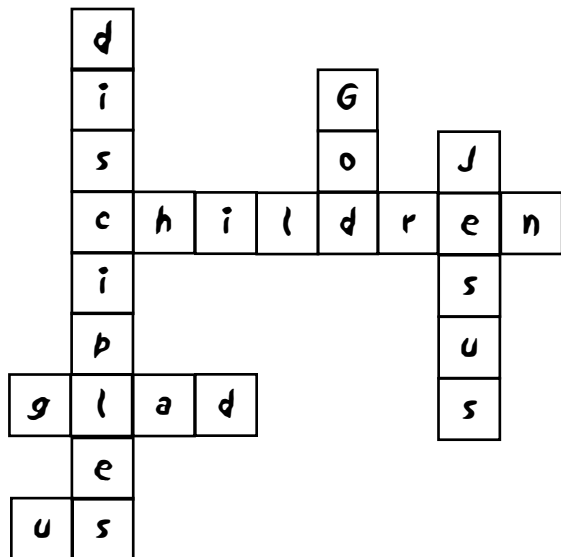


Inside out

Matthew 5:1-12

Jesus turned many rules inside out.

This inside out puzzle is already finished. Use the puzzle to fill in the blanks below.



_____ taught the

_____:

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see

_____. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will

be called _____ of God.

Rejoice and be _____. God blesses _____.



Be with us, Jesus, as we serve others. Amen

Jesus' words give blessings to people at surprising times: at sad times, when they felt poor, weak, or put down by others.



Circle the letters for the word the "blessed" in the picture.

Do justice,
love kindness,
walk humbly with God.
Micah 6:8



Create hand movements to help remember God's command in Micah 6:8.

Going Green

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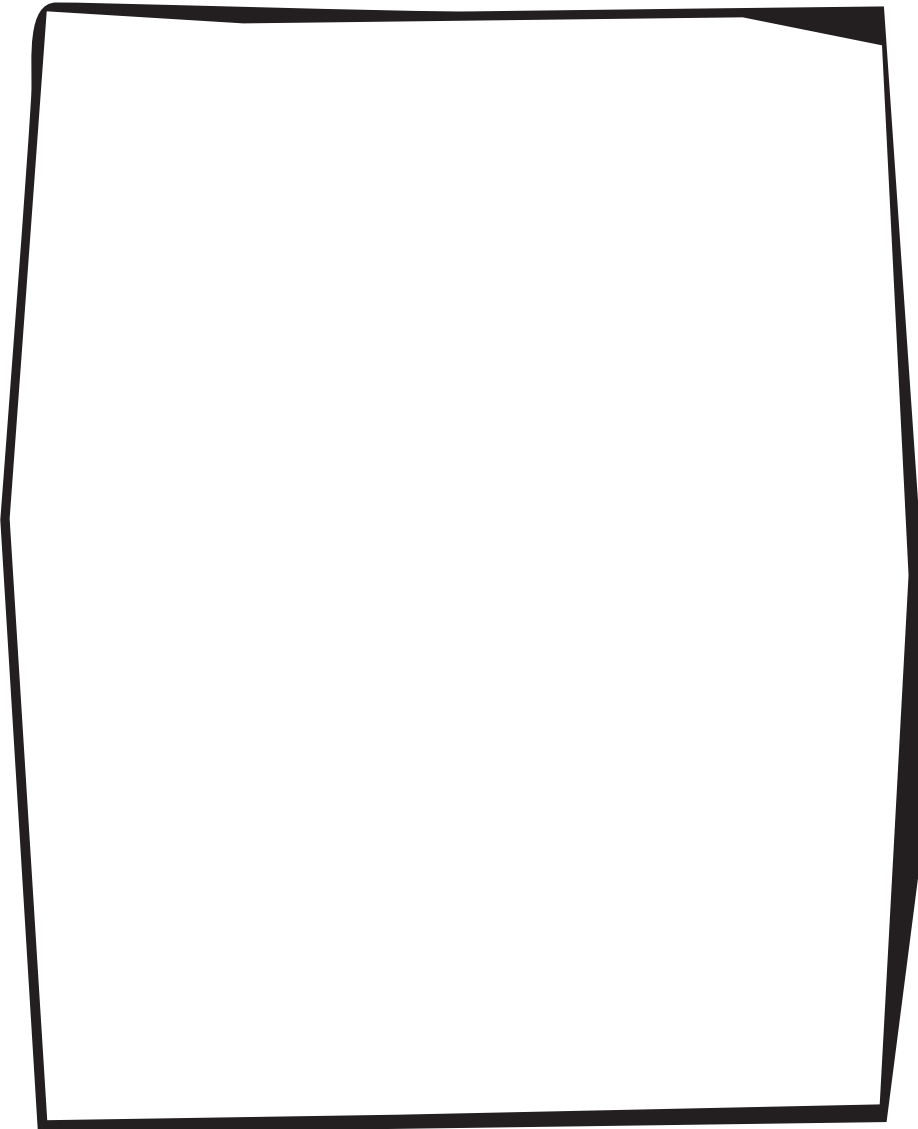
Epiphany 4

- Today is the **fourth Sunday** in **Epiphany**.
- One meaning of Epiphany is **manifestation**. That means appearing or becoming clear.
- During Epiphany we celebrate how God **appears** to us.

The Appearing Act

Shade in all of the squares containing even numbers. See what appears!

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Faith for Fools!

The apostle Paul tells us that the message of Jesus can seem foolish at times. God loves us so much it seems crazy!

Unscramble the bold words to make God's message clear.

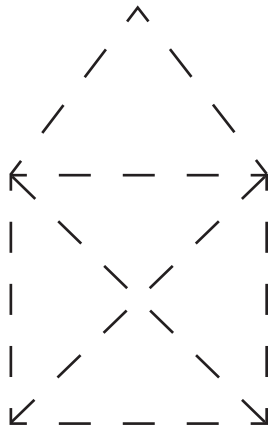
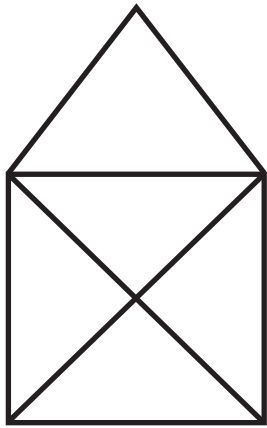
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God _____ those who _____!

Mission Impossible

With Jesus in our lives, things that once seemed crazy or impossible are now possible!

Is it possible to draw this shape without lifting your pencil or retracing any lines?



What words fit in these blanks? Look up the verses to find out.

When _____ saw the crowds, he went up the

_____;

and after he sat down, his _____ came to him. Matthew 5:1

Blessed are the _____, for they will receive _____. Matthew 5:7

Memory Verse



When Jesus shared the Beatitudes with his disciples and followers, he was standing on a mountain. The crowds gathered below him to hear him speak. This is why the Beatitudes are in a section of the Bible called the Sermon on the Mount.

Did You Know?

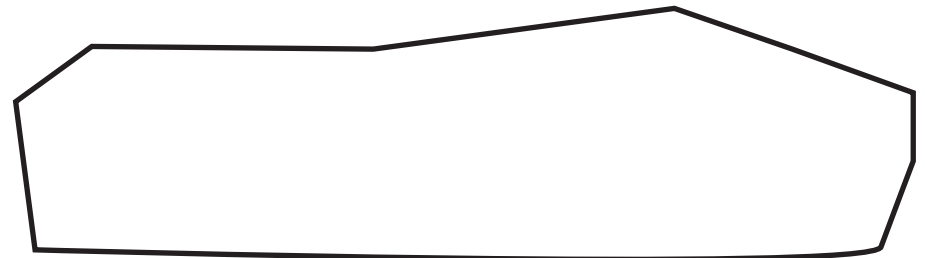
Match the Message

Listen to today's Gospel reading. Look up Matthew 5:1-12 in your Bible to find out who is blessed and why. Then, draw lines to match them.

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| The poor in spirit | They will be filled |
| Those who mourn | They will be called children of God |
| The meek | They will be comforted |
| Those who hunger | Theirs is the kingdom of heaven |
| The merciful | They will see God |
| The pure in heart | Theirs is the kingdom of heaven |
| The peacemakers | They will receive mercy |
| Those who are persecuted | They will inherit the earth |

Beautiful Blessings

A **blessing** is the way that you tell someone they are **blessed by God**. Listen for a blessing during worship today. How does the pastor tell you that you are blessed by God? Write or draw about it here.



You can bless others too! Tell your friends and family that God is always with them!

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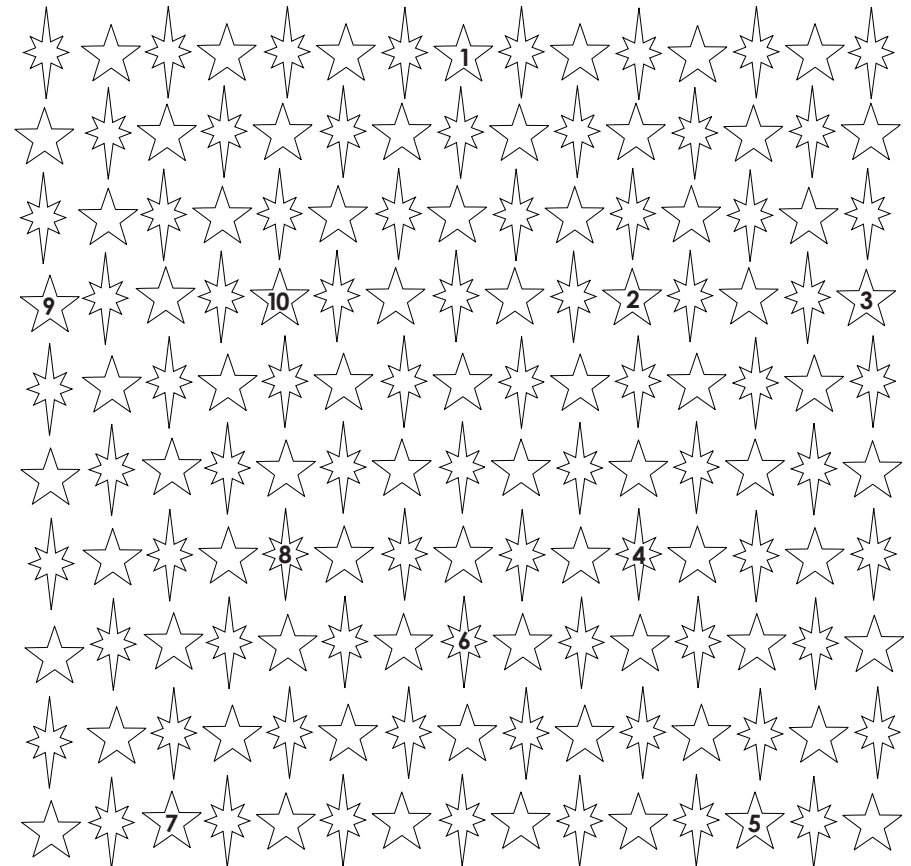


PRE-READER

Epiphany 4

- Today is the **4th Sunday** in **Epiphany**.
- Epiphany means **appearing**.
- During Epiphany we **celebrate** how God appears to us.

Something is hidden inside this starry sky. Connect the numbered stars to make it appear!





“Be happy because God has a special place for you in heaven!”

In the **Beatitudes**, Jesus tells us that people who are poor or suffering are the **most important** to God. This is a new pattern!



Can you finish these patterns?



Now make your own patterns!

