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Teaching about God's love

Even as a child, Jesus taught others about God's love. You can teach others about God's love, too. Draw a heart beside each picture that shows a way you can teach others about God's love.



Dear God, please help me teach others about your love. Amen

This week

Celebrate Christmas and the New Year with your family and friends!

Kids Celebrate

First Sunday of Christmas



gather



Welcome to worship. The season of Christmas lasts 12 days—December 25 to January 5. Use the pictures in this frame to finish the Christmas count for the first seven days of this celebration.

One little baby named _____.

Two parents named _____ and _____.

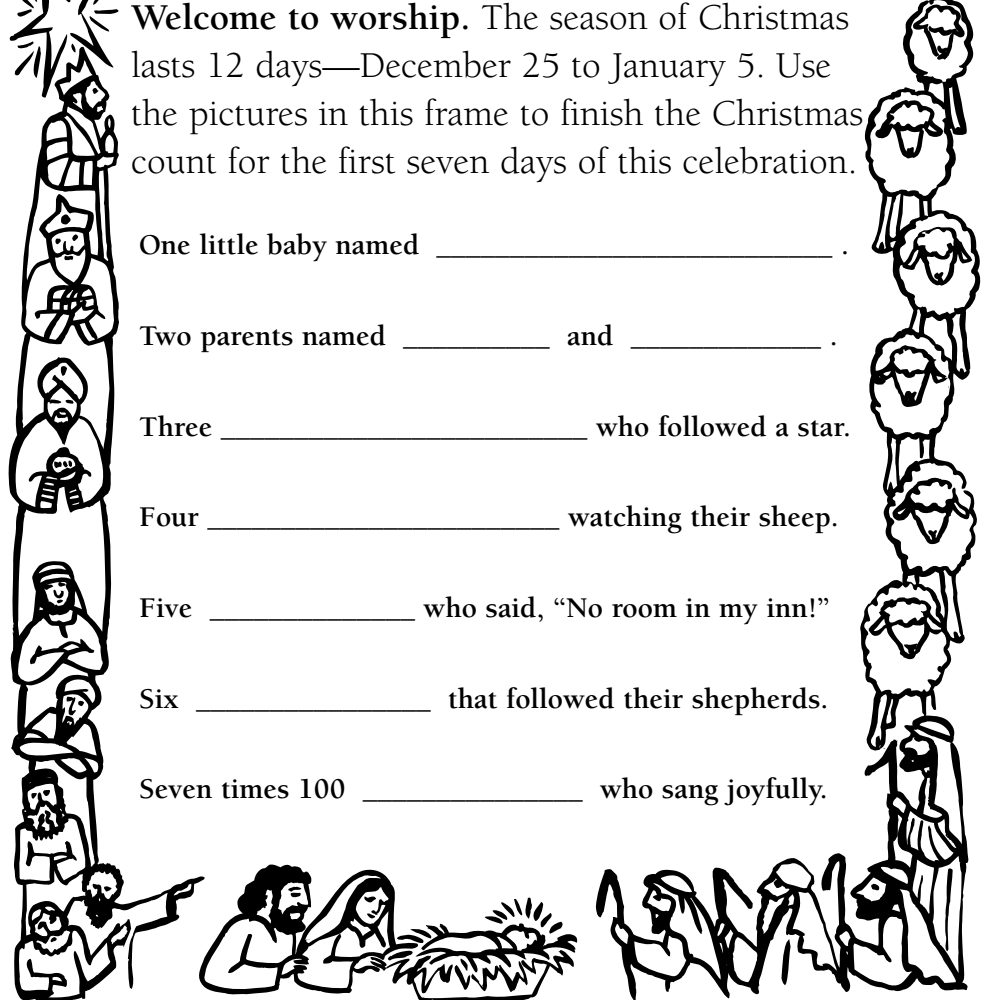
Three _____ who followed a star.

Four _____ watching their sheep.

Five _____ who said, "No room in my inn!"

Six _____ that followed their shepherds.

Seven times 100 _____ who sang joyfully.



Jesus, a child like you

Luke 2:41-52

Did you know that Jesus was a child like you?
Write or draw these answers.

Jesus worshiped God in a synagogue.

I worship God in a _____.

Jesus slept on a woven mat.

I sleep on a _____.



Jesus ate cheese, bread, grapes, and other tasty foods.

My favorite food is _____.

Jesus wore sandals on his feet.

I wear _____ on my feet.

Jesus' home was lit with oil burning lamps.

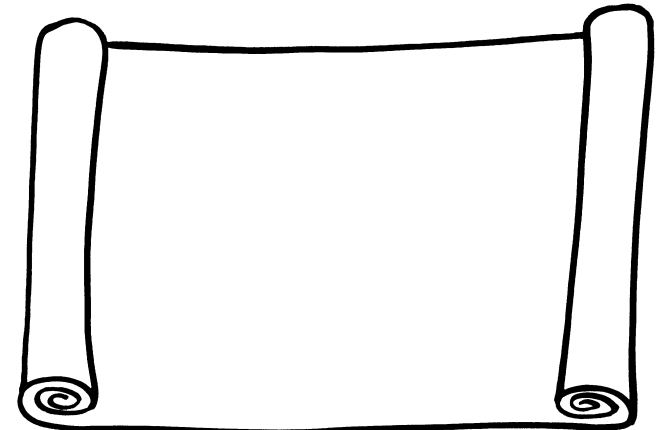
My home is lit by _____.

Sharing the peace

Jesus grew up in a loving family. Jesus' parents worried about him like your parents worry about you. When you were baptized, you became God's child. You belong to a loving church family. Sharing peace is one way God's children share God's love. When the worship leader says, "Peace be with you," we answer, "And also with you." We share God's peace by shaking hands, greeting each other, or giving hugs.



Write the names
of people you
share the peace
with today.



Find the Teachers

In today's lesson, Jesus established himself as a teacher, even though he was just a boy! Is there anyone at your church who is a teacher? During the Sharing of the Peace or after worship, ask the people around you if they are a teacher. If so, have them write their name and give you a grade on your completed bulletin.

Report Card

Teacher's Name

Grade

JESUS

A+



READER

Christmas 1

- Today is the **first** Sunday after **Christmas**.
- The color for the Christmas season is **white**.
- White represents the **light** that Jesus brings into the **world**.

Draw By Number

Below is an image of Jesus in a manger. Color it in using the key to show you which pattern to draw.



You're the Teacher!

In today's Bible story, we learn that Jesus taught grown-ups about God and the kingdom of heaven when he was still a boy. What have you taught grown-ups? What would you like to teach grown-ups? Write your lessons on the board below.

Today's Lesson

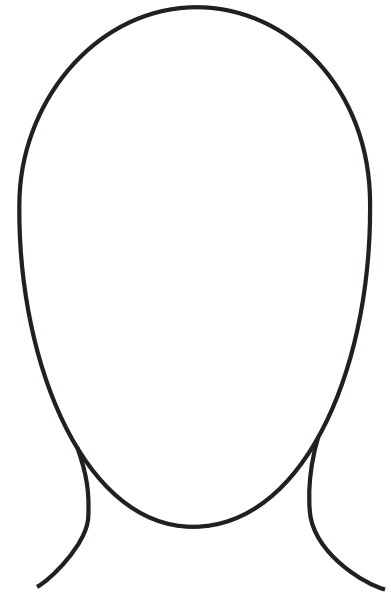


In today's memory verse, people were amazed when they heard Jesus—just a child—teaching others about God. Fill in a facial expression to show what your face would look like if you heard young Jesus preach.



“And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.”

—Luke 2:47

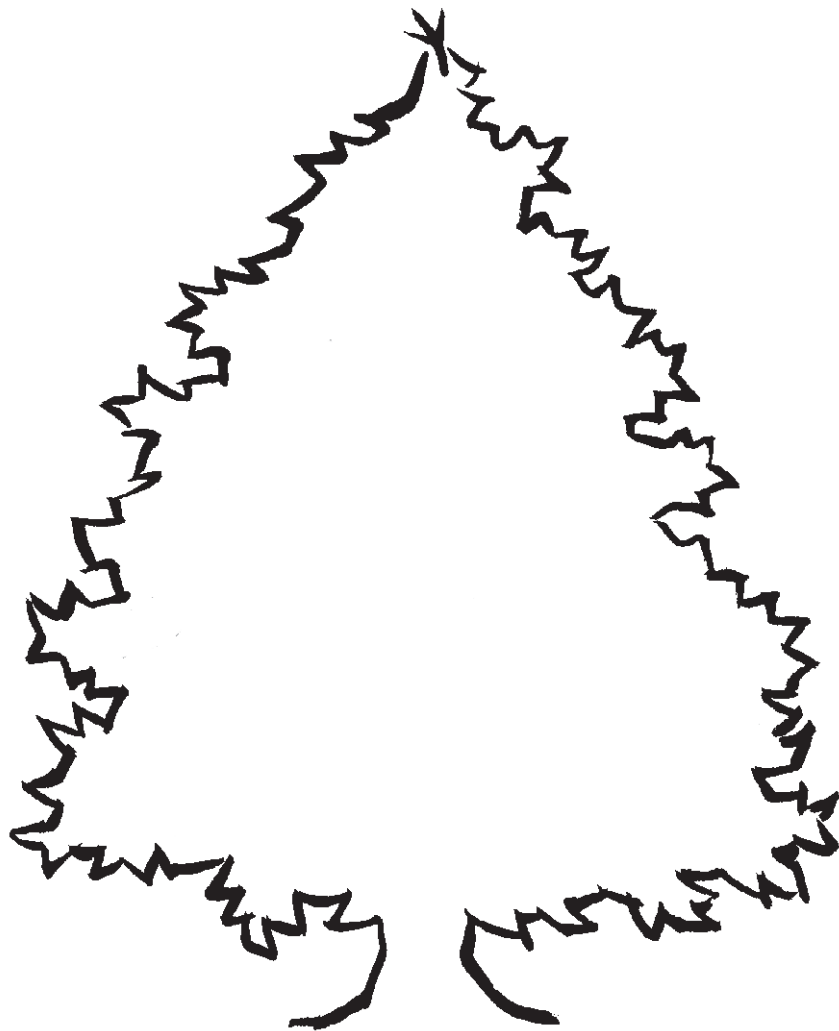


Find the book of Luke. (Hint: it comes after Mark and before John). Look at the first two chapters. Below are a series of events in the **WRONG** order. Read these first two chapters and then write the number that tells the **RIGHT** order. (Another hint: look at the titles of the sections for these events...you don't have to read every verse.) The first event has been numbered for you.

- Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem
- Mary and Joseph find Jesus in the temple
- Mary, Joseph, and Jesus go to Jerusalem for Passover
- Angel comes to Joseph
- Mary visits Elizabeth
- Mary and Joseph cannot find Jesus during the return trip from Jerusalem
- 1 Angel comes to Mary
- Mary, Joseph, and Jesus return to Nazareth
- John the Baptist is born
- Jesus is born

Is there a Christmas tree in your worship space?

If so, look at the kinds of ornaments and draw them on this tree below. If not, decorate this church Christmas tree with other Christmas symbols like angels, candles, and stars.

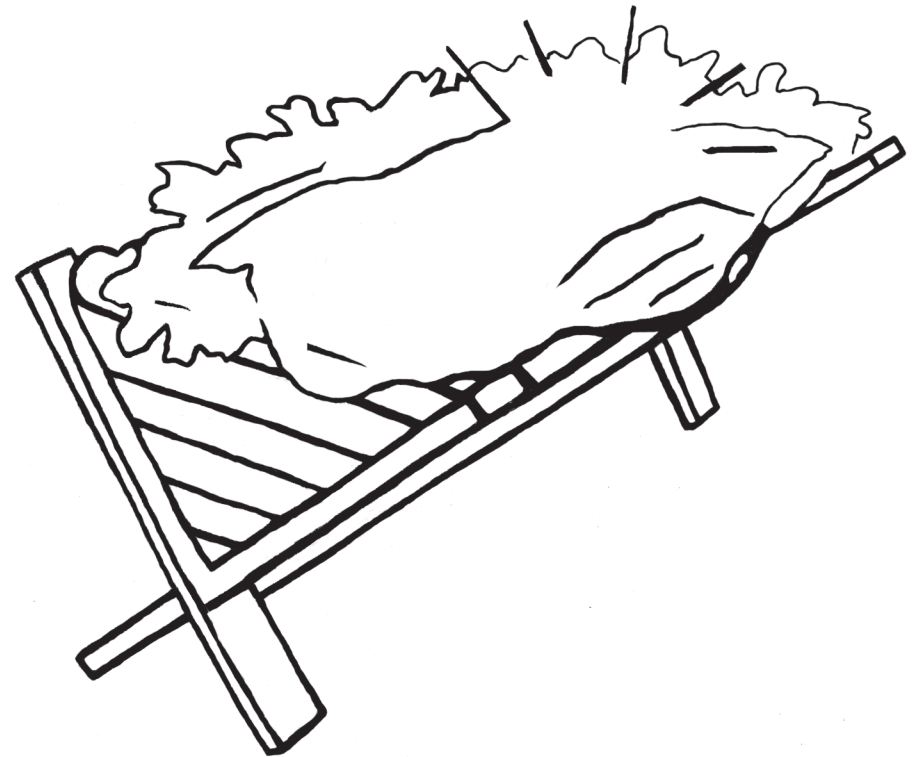


PRE-READER

Christmas 1

- Today is the **first** Sunday after **Christmas**.
- The color of the Christmas season is **white**.
- We **celebrate baby Jesus** during the Christmas season.

This manger is missing someone important! Draw baby Jesus in the manger. Then color the picture.





Jesus asked, "Why were you looking for me? Did you understand that I was in my Father's house?"

In today's Bible story, Jesus' parents were looking for Jesus and could not find him anywhere! They finally found Jesus in the temple with the temple teachers.

In the maze below, help Mary and Joseph find Jesus.

