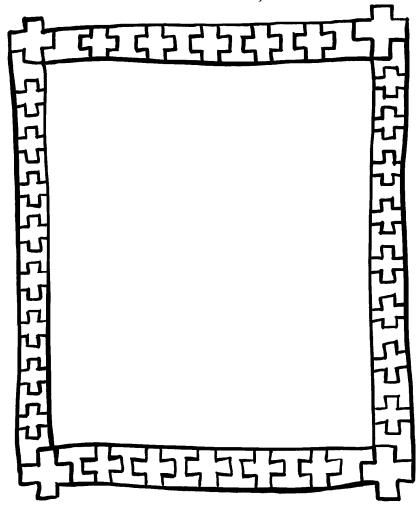
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God's love

It is the Lord who watches over you (Psalm 121:5).



Draw a time when you feel God watching over you and protecting you.

This week

Learn John 3:16, a very important verse for the family of God.



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Welcome to worship. Today is the second Sunday in Lent. Young or old, we are all labeled "Children of God."

Use the words to help you label the picture.

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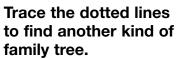




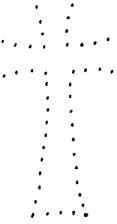
Family tree

John 3:1-17

We believe Jesus brings us eternal life, just like a tree brings nutrients to its branches. We come to God's family through Jesus.







Print Nicodemus' name on a branch. Print your name and names of others you know on other branches.

Jesus told a leader named Nicodemus he could not see the kingdom of God without being baptized born from above. Nicodemus couldn't understand.

Jesus died on the cross so we can live in God's family forever.

How many crosses do you see in the worship space today? Did anyone carry a cross in as worship began?

There are 40 days in Lent. Can vou find 40 crosses in this bulletin?



Purple, the dark rich color of a royal family, is the color in Lent. Look for purple things in worship today. When do we see Jesus as the King?

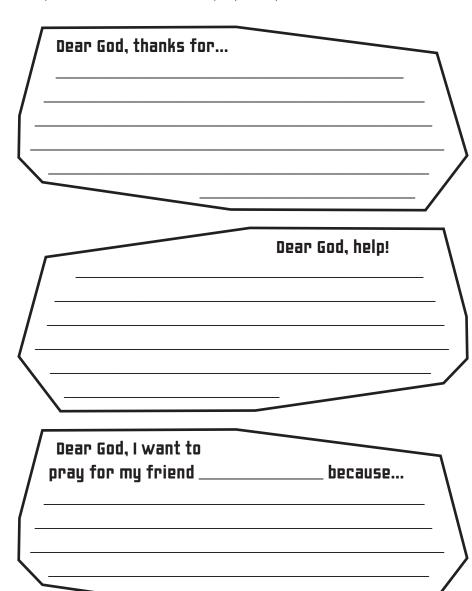




Jesus our Savior, we are thankful to be called children of God. Amen

During Lent, we reflect on our journey as disciples. Sometimes this journey can be hard! We can pray to God to help us. During worship today, listen to the prayers. Are they about a journey?

Look up 2 Samuel 7:22-29 and Colossians 1:9-12. They may sound a little different than what your pastor or worship leader said, but they are prayers too! How would a prayer of thanks be different from a prayer for help? Use the space below to create a few prayers of your own.





- This is the second Sunday in Lent.
- There are **40 days** in Lent.
- During Lent, we remember the 40 days **Jesus** spent in the **wilderness**.

Counting God's Blessings

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There are 60 seconds in 1 minute.
There are 60 minutes in 1 hour.
There are 24 hours in 1 day.
Jesus was in the wilderness for 40 days.
That's 960 hours.
That's 57,600 minutes.
That's 3,456,000 seconds.

THAT'S A LOT OF COUNTING!



Use the pictures to help you complete the memory verse. Look up Genesis 12:1 if you need help.



Now the Lord said _____ Ab____

"Go from your country and your

kind____ and your father's

to the land t_____ I will

show you." Genesis 12:1



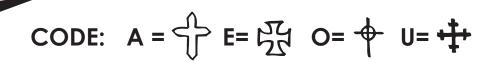
A Sign of Trust

Abraham and Sarah trusted in God. They believed that God would keep them safe when they traveled into the wilderness to make a new home.

Jesus trusted God. He believed that God would always be with him, even when he knew he was going to die on the cross.

God always keeps promises!

Jesus asks us to trust God and to do one thing. Solve the puzzle below to discover what we can do.

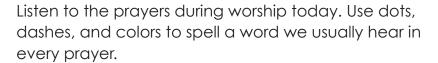


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You are part of a promise that God kept to Abraham. Look up Genesis 15:5-6 to find out what the promise was.

During Lent, we **remember** what Jesus taught us. One of the things Jesus taught us is how to **pray**.







AMEN



- Today is the 2nd Sunday in Lent.
- Lent lasts for 40 days.
- We remember that **Jesus** was in the **wilderness** for 40 days.

God promised Abraham he would have lots of kids and grandkids. God told Abraham to look at the stars. That's how big his family would be! We are all part of Abraham's family.

Draw yourself and your family in the stars.





"It's time for you to leave your home and family and go to a new land!"

Jesus was in the wilderness for 40 days.
Abraham also traveled in the wilderness.
Both Abraham and Jesus trusted God to take care of them.

You can trust God, too! Go with Abraham through the wilderness to find a new home.

