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Once you were darkness,

but now in the Lord

you are light.

Love as children of light.


-Ephesians 5:8



We are children of the light on Sundays, Saturdays, and every day in between!

How many times do you hear the word light in the reading from Ephesians? Listen, then circle the number.

1 2 3 4 5

 Dear God, we will share your light with others every day. Amen



This week

Plan a way to bring God's light to someone in your neighborhood. Bring cookies, share a Sunday school song, or send a letter or e-mail inviting them to worship on Palm Sunday or Easter.

Kids Celebrate

Fourth Sunday in Lent

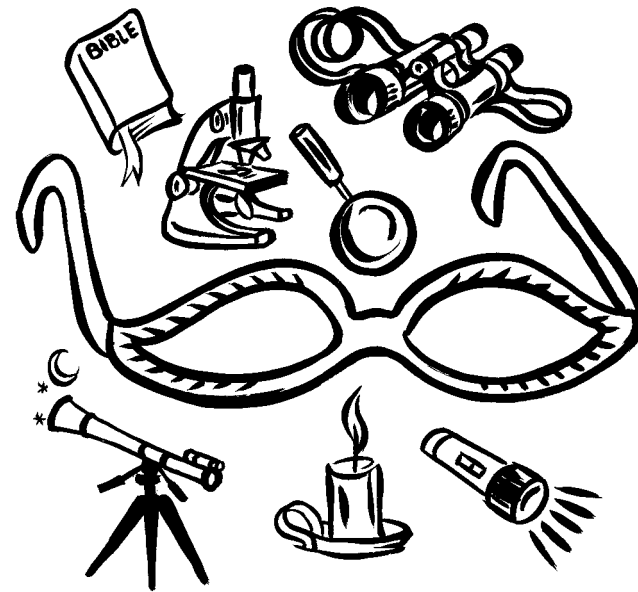


gather

Welcome to worship. Today is the fourth Sunday in Lent.

There are 40 days in Lent. Find 40 candles on the pages of this bulletin.

Close your eyes and listen to the sounds of worship. What do you hear?



Look around you. In the lens of the glasses draw something you see.

Circle things that help you see far away things.

Draw a triangle around things that help you see tiny things.

Underline things that help you see in the dark.

Even with all these things, we can't see God with our eyes. But we can see God's word in a special book.

Find the special book and draw a cross on it.





Seeing is believing

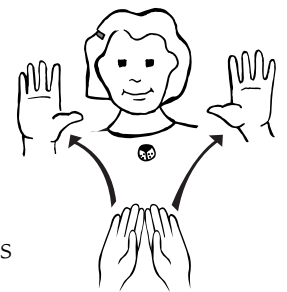


John 9:1-41

The man couldn't believe his eyes. He could see Jesus. He could see everyone. He could see *everything* through his own pair of eyes!



Draw a line connecting the pairs of eyes, candles, Bibles, crosses, and water drops hidden in this picture.



light



Learn the sign for the word *light* in American Sign Language. Use it as you hear the lector read Ephesians 5:8-14.

See the Light

During Lent, spring arrives! Birds and other animals come out of their winter nests. The days start to get longer, too. That means that the sun rises earlier and sets later.

Look around your worship space. Do you see light coming in through the windows? There is more light in the spring. This light reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world!

Color in the window below to help remind you that Jesus is our light.



READER

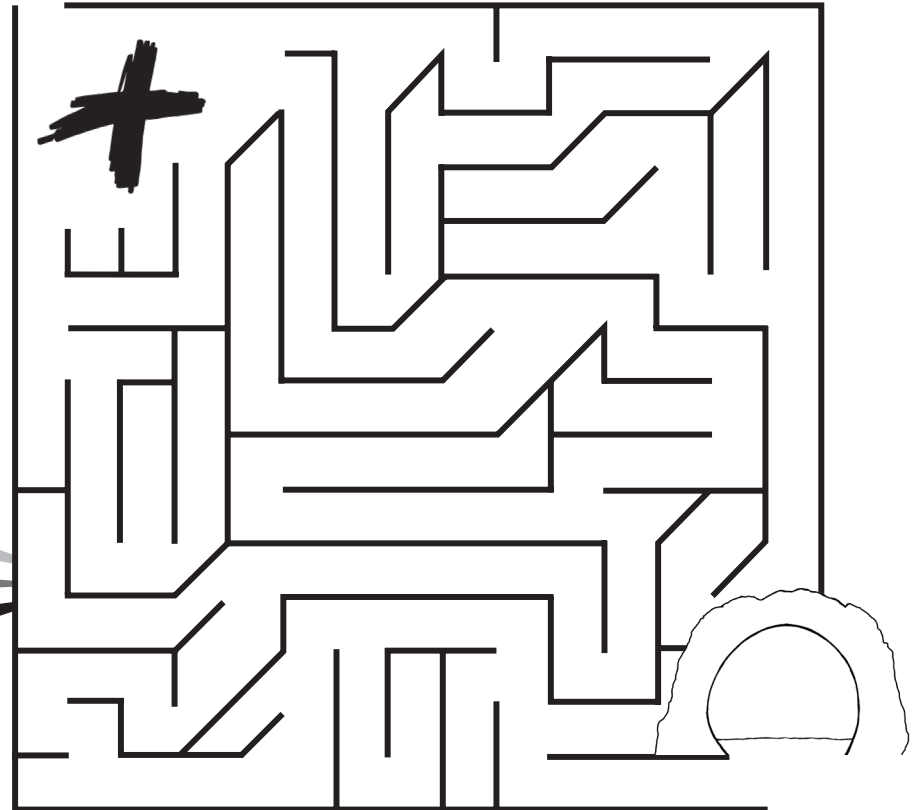
Lent 4

- Today is the **fourth Sunday** in **Lent**.
- Lent is a time of **sadness** and **thinking**.
- During Lent, we **prepare** for the **joy** of Easter.

A Lenten Journey

Find the path below that will take you through Lent and all the way to Easter.

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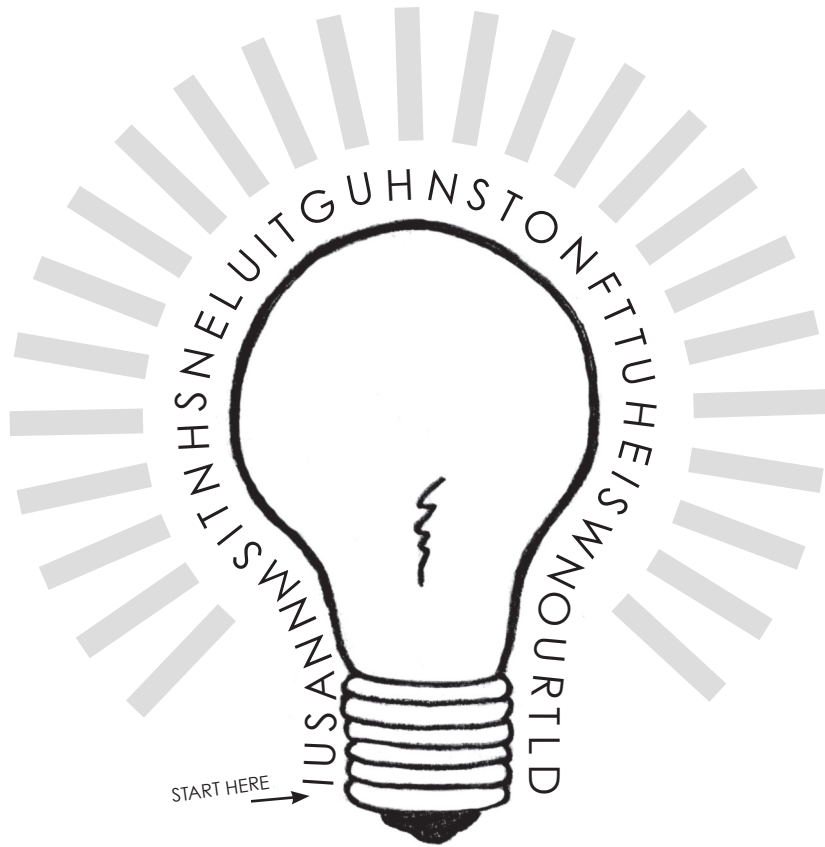


FINISH

Follow the directions below to discover what Jesus said. If you need help, try looking at John 9:5b.



Cross out these letters:
 All U's
 Every other T
 All N's
 Every other I
 All S's



Jesus said _____

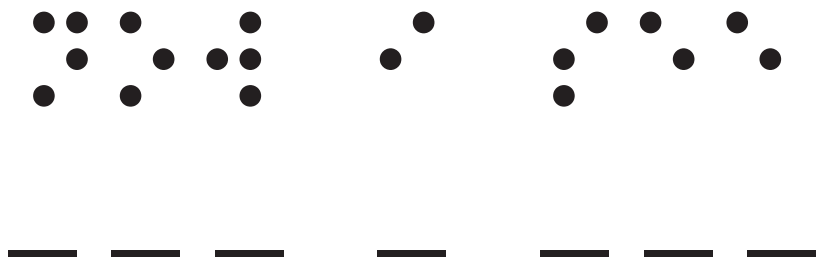
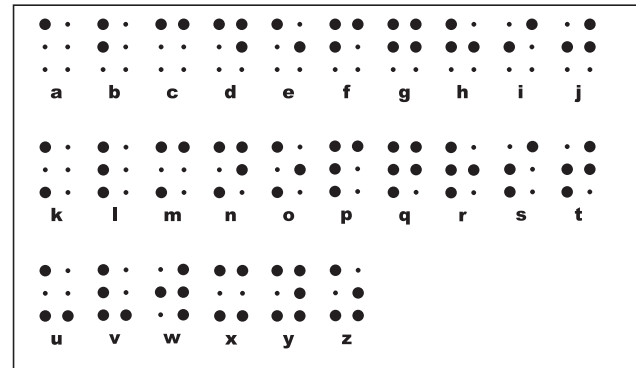
Feeling God's Love

Jesus came to teach and to heal.
 Jesus sent a blind man to wash in a pool of water. The blind man could see!
 Jesus brought the blind man light. Jesus brings us light, too!



Today, many people who cannot see use Braille to read. They use their fingers to read instead of using their eyes.

Decode the Braille below to figure out what the blind man said. Then use a pencil to push through the back of the dots. Close your eyes and see if you can feel the pattern of each letter.



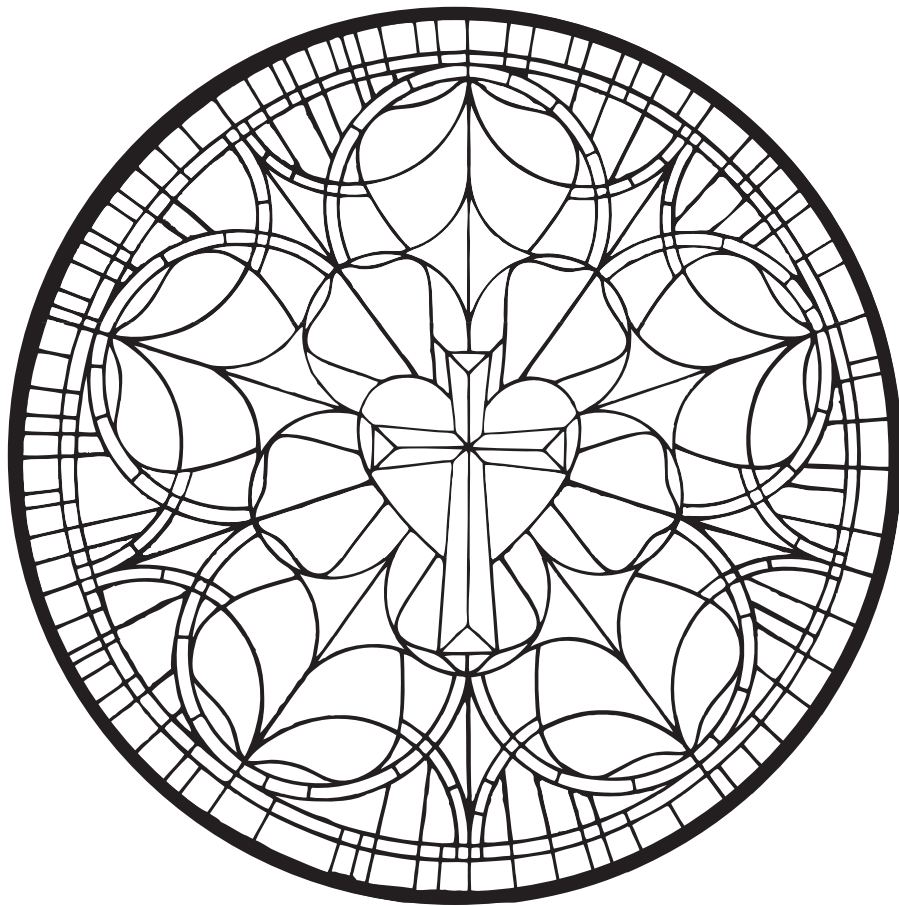
The giant squid has the largest eyeball of any animal. It can be up to 10 inches (25 cm) in diameter!



Lent is in the spring. In the spring, the sun comes out earlier and stays out longer. Look around your worship space. Find all the windows.



Do you see light shining through them? As you color in this window, remember that Jesus is our light and that Jesus is always with us.



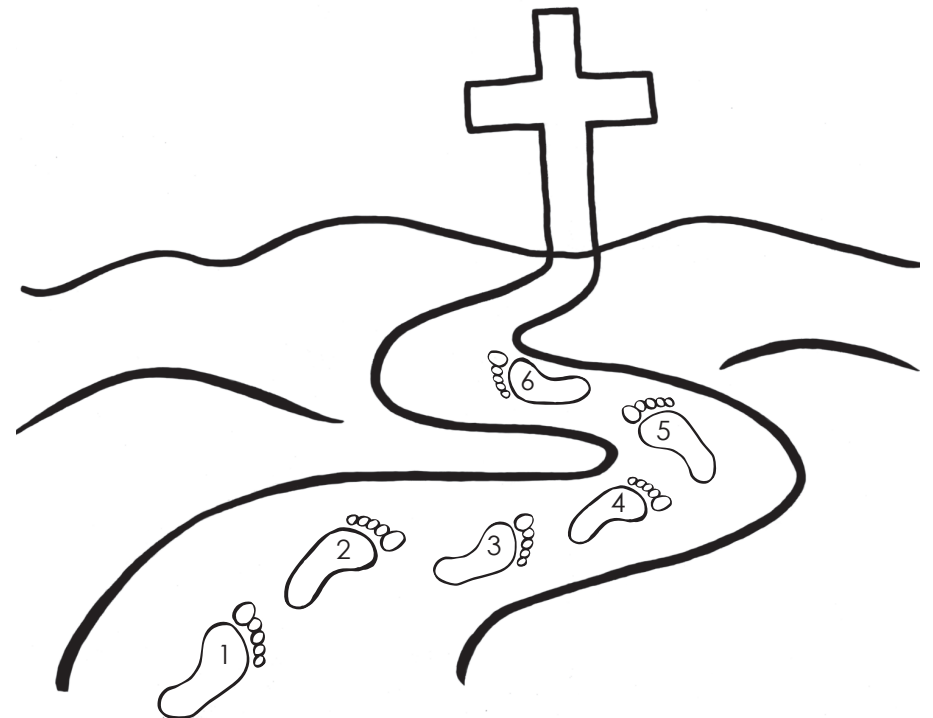
PRE-READER

Lent 4

- Today is the **4th Sunday** in Lent.
- During Lent, we **prepare** for **Easter**.
- **Prepare** means to **get ready**.

During Lent we prepare for 6 weeks.

Color in the six steps on the road. Where are we on this road today? Circle that number.





**The blind man remembered Jesus' words,
"I'll give you light."**

Jesus used water to heal the blind man. The blind man could see the water. He could see his own reflection. He could see the sun shining all around him!

Color all the things that the man could see.

