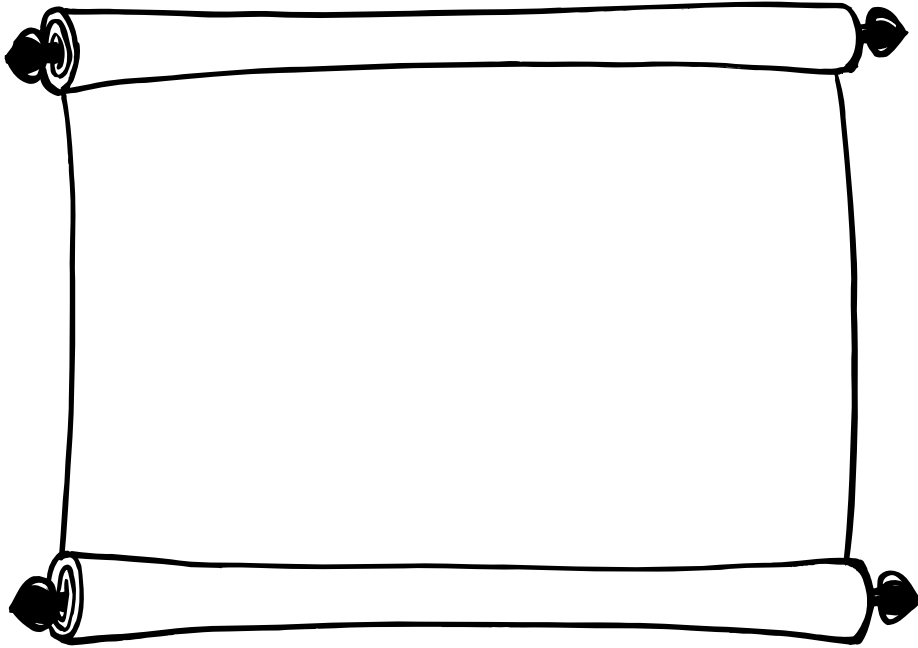


Stories to share

Martin Luther and his wife Kate told Bible stories in their home. Perhaps they had favorites. What are your favorite Bible stories?



Draw a picture of one of your favorite Bible stories here. Tell someone about it.



Thank you, God, for Bibles we can read and understand. Amen.

This week

Check out a new Bible storybook from your church or public library. Read it again and again.



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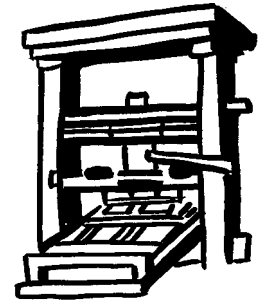
Welcome to worship! Today is a festival—Reformation Day. What do you notice about your worship space?



painting the Sistine Chapel ceiling



Gutenberg



printing press



Martin Luther



posting theses



Michelangelo

Today we hear about Martin Luther, a man who worked to reform—make changes—in the church. A lot was happening in the world at that time.

Draw a line connecting the person to what he did.

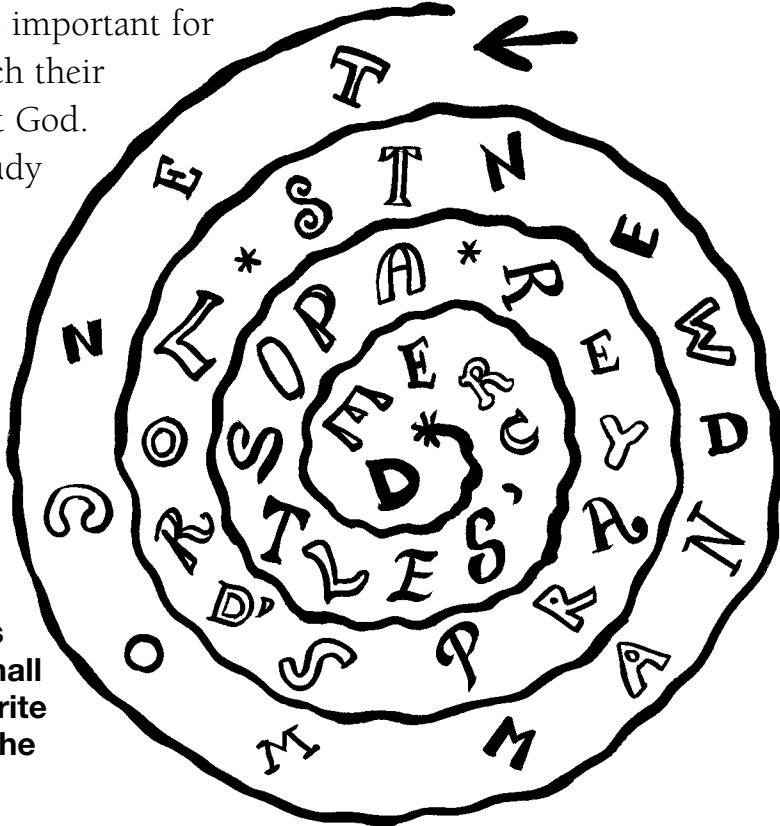
Martin's marvels

John 8:31-36

Martin Luther was a teacher who wanted everyone to know about the Bible. The printing press was just invented. Martin Luther used it to print copies of his translation of the Bible into the language the people spoke everyday. He thought it was important for parents to teach their children about God.

He wrote a study book to help families learn together. Luther's Small Catechism is still used today.

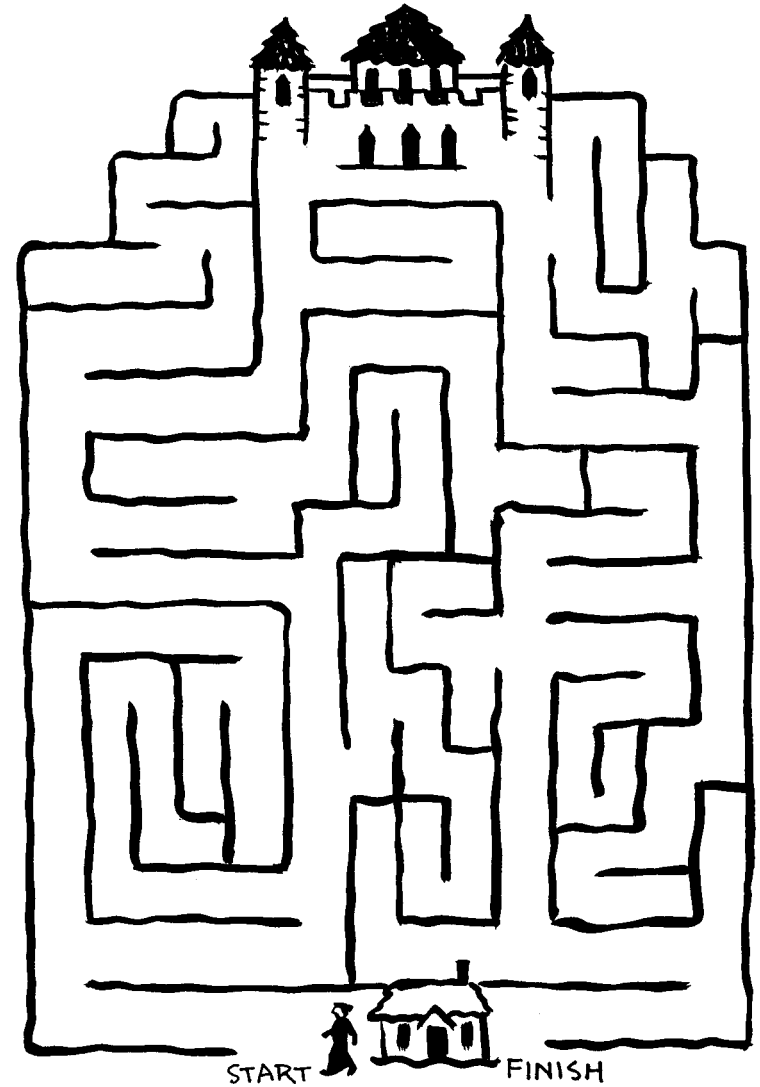
Follow the arrows to discover parts of Luther's Small Catechism. Write the letters in the blanks below.



Luther's Small Catechism contains:

The _____,

The _____ and the _____, _____ . Check it out!



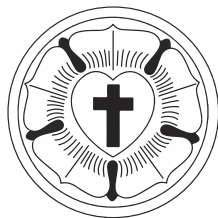
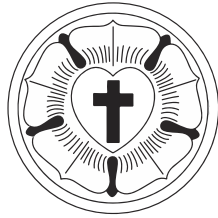
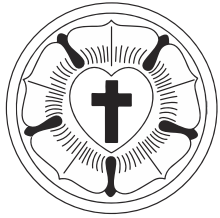
Lift high the cross

Martin Luther believed following Jesus was a way of life.

Follow Luther to the Wittenberg castle and back home again to find an important reminder of Jesus.

What's a Lutheran?

Martin Luther is the father of the Lutheran church. Before or after worship, or during the Sharing of the Peace, ask people around you what it means to be Lutheran. Write your answers inside the box.



READER

Reformation Sunday

- Today is **Reformation Sunday**.
- Reformation Sunday celebrates the beginning of the **Lutheran Church**.
- Today we **honor our past** and **celebrate our future**.

The Face Behind Reformation Sunday

Today, we remember Martin Luther, the man who inspired the creation of the Lutheran Church. Look at the small image and try to draw Martin Luther's face on the picture below.



A Vision for the Future

Martin Luther came up with some powerful ideas for how to make the church better, and the result was the Lutheran church! He wrote down his ideas and nailed them to the church door. Can you think of some ideas that would make your church even better? More singing? Donuts during coffee hour? Serving at the local food shelf every Saturday afternoon?

My Theses

By _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Church of Reformation Past, Present, and Future

Reformation Sunday celebrates where we've been and where we're going. Here's what a church might have looked like in Martin Luther's Day.

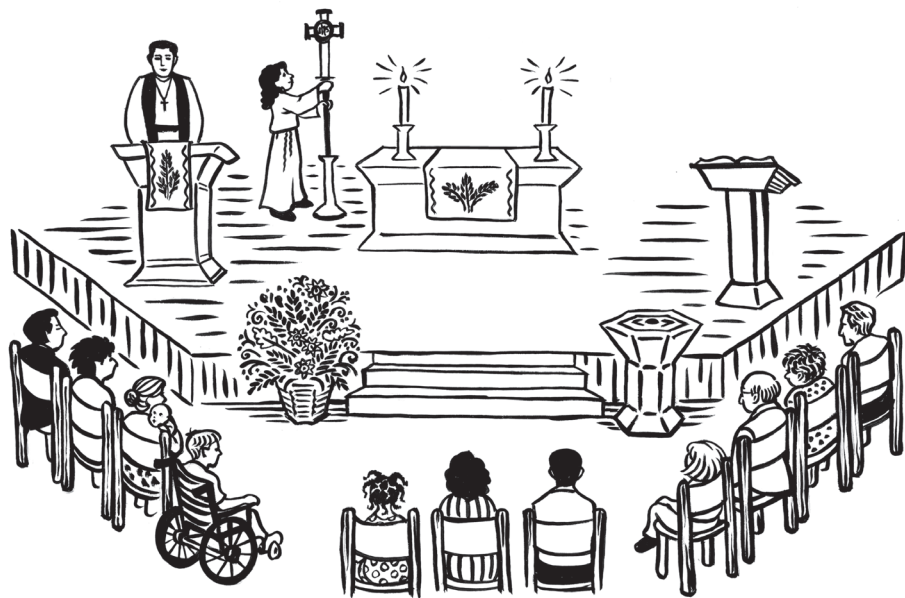


Draw what churches look like today.

Draw what churches might look like in the **FUTURE**.

Reformation Sunday celebrates the beginning of the Lutheran church—the Lutheran church's birthday. Let's have a party!

Decorate this church below with balloons, streamers, and confetti.



PRE-READER

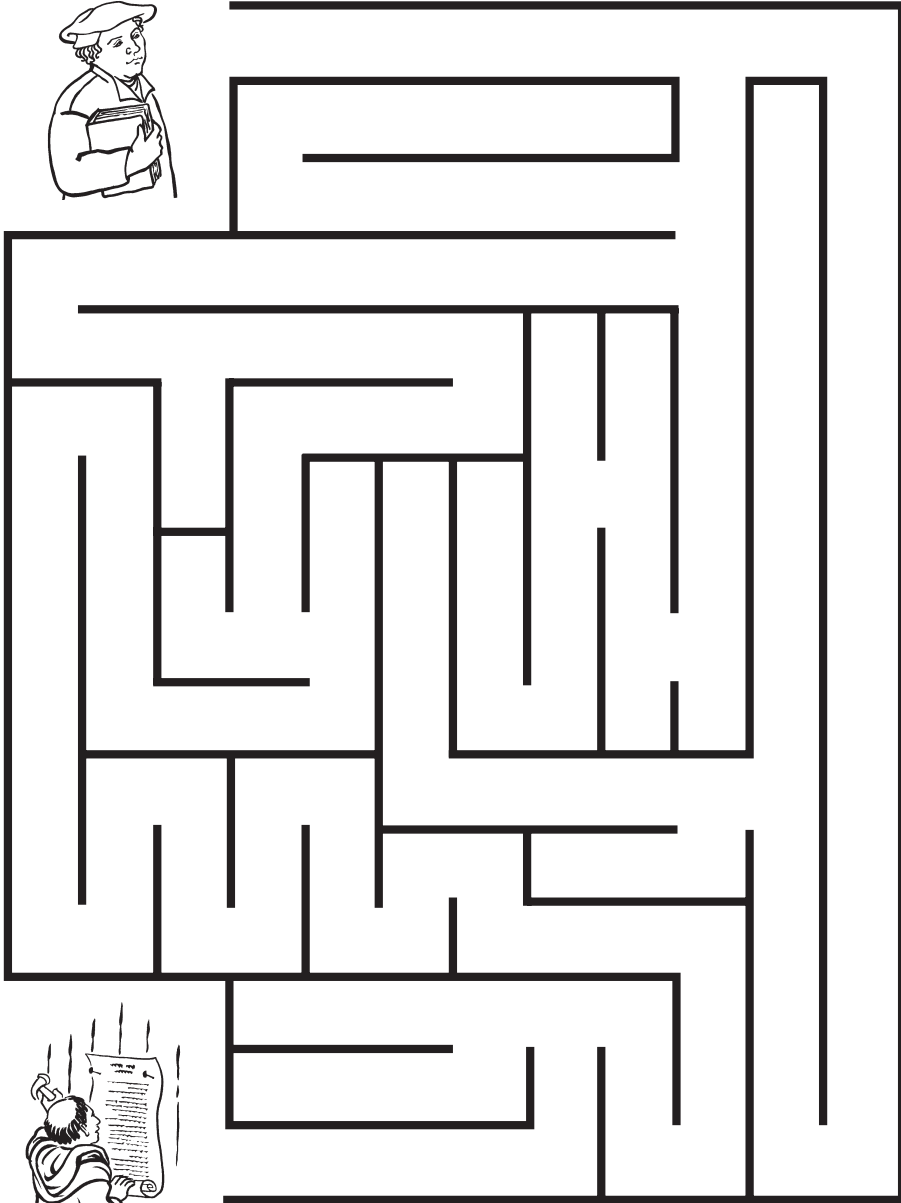
Reformation Sunday

- Today is **Reformation Sunday**.
- Today we remember the beginning of the **Lutheran Church**.
- Let's celebrate our **history and our future!**

Martin Luther is the father of the Lutheran church. Give him some eyes, a nose, and a mouth.



Can you help Martin Luther nail the 95 Theses on the church door?



Reformation Sunday celebrates where we've been and where we're going. Here's what a church might have looked like in Martin Luther's day.



**What does your church look like today?
Draw it here.**

