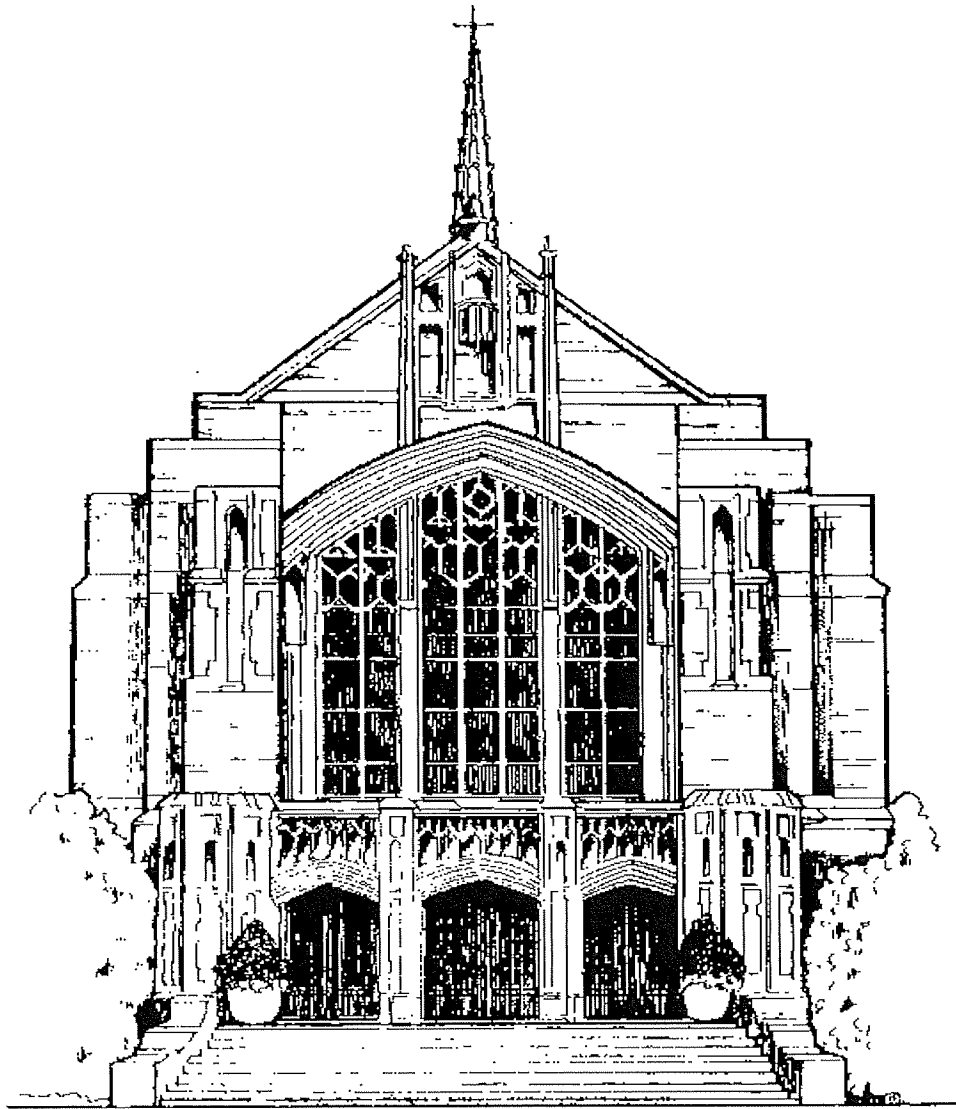


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15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
COMMUNION SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

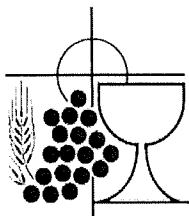


OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

*To celebrate God's love as a community of believers
in Jesus Christ through worship, education,
fellowship, and outreach to others.*

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The First Baptist Church at Worship
15th Sunday After Pentecost
Communion Sunday
September 6, 2026 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough, Organ

Chorale Partita on "Soul, Adorn Thyself With Gladness"
--Johann Gottfried Walther

Dr William Henry Caldwell, Baritone

"Consider and Hear Me" from Psalm XIII Alfred Wooler

How long, O Lord, wilt Thou forget me? How long wilt Thou hide Thy face from me?

How long shall mine enemies triumph over me?

Consider and hear me, O Lord my God; Consider and hear me, O Lord my God.

Lighten mine eyes, lighten mine eyes; lest I sleep the sleep of the dead.

Let not mine enemies say: I have prevailed against him, prevailed against him.

For my trust is in Thy mercy, Thy mercy and faithfulness, Thy mercy and faithfulness.

Stand up, O Lord, in Thy might! Arise! Judge Thou my cause!

Gird me with strength unto the battle, with strength unto the battle.

And I will praise Thee, and I will praise Thee, will praise Thee upon the harp.

Stand up, O Lord, in Thy might! Arise! Judge Thou my cause,

and I will praise and magnify Thy name, And I will praise and magnify Thy name.

In Praise to the Lord

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

A three-fold ringing of three signifies the presence of the triune God:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

WELCOME & RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 119:33-40)

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

Turn my heart to your decrees and not to selfish gain;

be gracious to me according to your word.

Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.

Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good.

See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness be gracious to me.

***OPENING HYMN**

#248 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation
EDEN CHURCH

"Christ is my firm foundation" means basing your life, identity, and faith on the unchanging character and teachings of Jesus Christ. Rooted in the Bible's "Parable of the Wise Builder," it signifies having unshakeable stability. Just as a house on solid rock withstands severe storms, a person anchored in Christ can endure life's hardships without losing hope.

Leader: May the peace of the Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

PASSING THE PEACE *(A time to greet one another)*

***DOXOLOGY**

#706 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
OLD 100TH, alt.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him, above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Listening for the Word of God

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 13:8-14

Donna Curry

Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God!

***GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 18:15-20**

Donna Curry

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Matthew.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

"If your brother and sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth

about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

People: Thanks be to God!

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#656 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love
CHEREPONI

"Jesu, Jesu" is a popular hymn arranged by Thomas Colvin. The melody is adapted from a Ghanaian folk song he heard during his years of service in that country. The tune name CHEREPONI comes from a town in northern Ghana, where the hymn was written.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. David Coggins

(Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Message during the last stanza of the fellowship hymn.

All kids 3 years and older are invited to go downstairs (Room 4) after the Children's Message for a
"One Room Sunday School" class. Parents are asked to pick up their children after service.)

CALL TO PRAYER

#399 v.1 O Lord, Hear My Prayer
O LORD, HEAR MY PRAYER

**O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer; when I call answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Coggins

SPECIAL MUSIC

Dr. William Henry Caldwell, Baritone

"The Gospel of Grace" arr. Mark Hayes

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

I found free grace and dying love, I'm new born again,

been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below.

Free grace, free grace, free grace, sinner. Free grace, free grace, I'm new born again.

So glad, so glad, I'm new born again, been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below.

My Savior died for you and me, I'm new born again,

been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below.

I know my Lord has set me free, I'm new born again, been a long time a-talkin'

'bout my trials here below. Free grace, free grace, free grace, sinner.

Free grace, free grace, I'm new born again. So glad, so glad, I'm new born again,

been a long time a-talkin' 'bout my trials here below.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,

we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

I'm new born again. I'm new born again!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

"Christ Among Us"

Holy Communion

INVITATION TO THE TABLE
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

SHARING OF THE BREAD

#461 v. 1 Let Us Break Bread Together
BREAK BREAD

SHARING OF THE CUP

#461 vs. 2-3 Let Us Break Bread Together
BREAK BREAD

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts & Debtors)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Response of God's People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#296 Brethren, We Have Met to Worship
HOLY MANNA

"Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" is one of the earliest and most enduring American worship hymns, written by George Askins during the early years of the nineteenth century. It reflects the spirit of revival that shaped much of early American Christianity, especially within camp meetings and frontier gatherings.

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

*SUNG BENEDICTION

God Be with You
Ralph Vaughan Williams

Jeremiah E. Rankin (1828-1904) *Unison* RANDOLPH 9.8.8.9.
Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
Harmony

1. God be with you till we meet a-gain; By His coun-sels
guide, up-hold you, With His sheep se-cure-ly fold you:
God be with you till we meet a-gain.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship". It is arranged in three systems. The first system is for the melody, written for a single voice (unison) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The second system is for the harmony, written for piano in the same key and time. The third system is for the melody, also in unison. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score is for the first verse of the hymn.

Rigaudon Jean Baptiste Lully



(*) You're invited to rise in body or in spirit!

Please drop off your offering and yellow card in the basket as you leave.

Thank you for supporting the ministry of the church!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our worship service! If you are visiting, we would love to get to know you. Please fill out a yellow card with your contact information and a pastor will be happy to get in touch with you. Anyone is welcome to use these cards to communicate with our office and share prayer requests or other information, too. We have baskets for our offering and communication cards at our entrances/exits.

We continue to **livestream and video record** our Sunday worship service through our YouTube channel. This can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/> and look for First Baptist Church Dayton Ohio, or check our website (<http://www.fbcd Dayton.org/>).

Prayer for the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which beset them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

(If you have someone you'd like to add or remove, please let us know.)

Bayless Family	Bill Harrell	Anita Suro
Harriet Berghuis	Debbie Harshman	Veghte Family
Jessica Blair	Barbara Jett	Harold West
Gail Bowman	Gene Lee	Brett Whittaker
Dana Brewer	Vincent Liss	Sharon Wingham
Daniel Brown	Patty Loxley	
Linda Ginter-Brown	Tom McKenzie	Military Duty:
Gerald Busch	Shirley Nash	Sebastian Ewald
June Collier	Susan Parent	Sunny Ewald
Merriann Craig	Petry Family	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Bill Cress	Judy See	Kyle Kline
Pamela Cress	Judy Smith	Will Radachi
Lavanda Ferguson	Joanne Stephens	Juan Rodriguez
Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)		

About Today's Artist... Dr. William Henry Caldwell

Good morning, good morning, good morning First Baptist! Happy Sunday and Happy Birthday to me. Yes, today is my birthday, and I want to take this opportunity to say, thank you all so much, for the wonderful plaque and delicious cake presented in recognition of my ten years of service as music director here at historic First Baptist Church of Dayton. Thank you, Dr. Rev Kent Berghuis! For those of you who do not know, next year will be 10 years for Pastor Kent, so get those creative recognition juices flowing. The summer music series is officially over, and I want to again say thank you for making it all possible with your spiritual and financial support. I don't think we broke the bank or budget with our special musical guests as many of them wanted to come worship because of who we are. I am extremely excited about the upcoming season so please keep an eye out for the schedule of events. It's going to be a blessed year indeed at First Baptist Church. Also, please share with me your favorite hymn on the yellow cards in the pew so that we can work it into the worship service. As music director and Christian, I select hymns based on the lectionary and spirit, so please share your spirit in the singing of your favorite hymns! --Dr. Caldwell

Labor Day Weekend

The church office will be closed
Monday, Sept. 7, 2026

Pastor David's Reflection Book

In honor of Pastor David Coggins' 50th anniversary of his ordination, we have a reflection book that will be available in Fellowship Hall for you to share a memory or note of congratulations. The book will be available through September for you to sign.

September Church Meetings

Board Meetings

Wednesday, Sep. 9 @ 6:30pm

Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, Sep. 16 @ 6:30pm

Chancel Choir Potluck Dinner & Rehearsal

Thursday, Sep. 10 in Fellowship Hall

Dinner @ 6:00pm (*Bring a dish to share!*)

Rehearsal @ 7:00pm

BUILDING BRIDGES BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays @ 7:30-8:30am

Wholly Grounds Coffee Shop

825 Wayne Ave.

Our Thursday morning Bible study has resumed. Each week Pastor Jason convenes a group for spirited discussion and reflection on one of the Scripture passages from the Lectionary for the upcoming Sunday, making connections and applications to current events. Many of us have been doing this for years, but it's an open gathering and anyone can join us anytime. If you have questions, please connect with Pastor Jason (jalspaugh@fbcd Dayton.org).

Fall Lunch Get-Together

Summer flew by very quickly! Fall is arriving, football is starting up, schools are back in session, and next Sunday the startup of choir music and Sunday School! It's nearly time for carving pumpkins and bobbing for apples! There's no better reason to have a Fall Lunch Get-Together at the Dublin Pub on Thursday, Sept. 17 at 11:30am. Please RSVP by Sept. 14 to Mary Herbert, 937-388-8000. A count is needed for the restaurant.

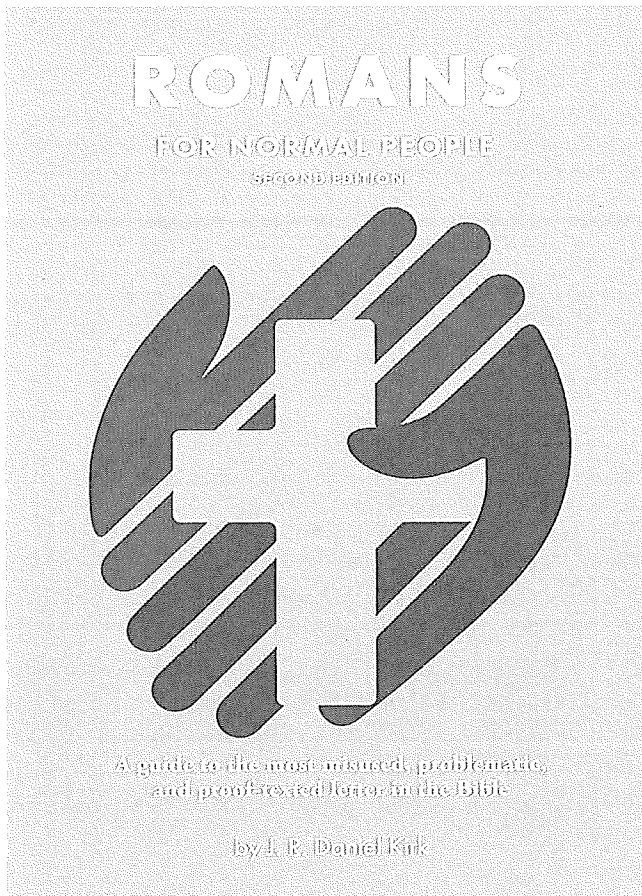
Homecoming Sunday

September 13, 2026

On Homecoming Sunday we officially welcome everyone back from summer travels, and resume our regular Sunday school schedule for all ages. **If you have ideas for future studies or have an interest in facilitating and/or being a part of a new small group, please speak with Pastor Jason (jalspaugh@fbcd Dayton.org).**

Adult Sunday School

Bible Study: The Letter to the Romans



Led by Rev. Jason Alspaugh (et al)
Sundays @ 11:30am-12:15pm
September 13-November 15
1st Floor – Chapel

In this class we will make use of J.R. Daniel Kirk's commentary, *Romans for Normal People*, part of a larger project—*The Bible for Normal People*—which envisions “a world where people engage with the Bible freely, without fear or guilt—where questions are welcome and scholarship is accessible. Additionally, and perhaps inevitably, we will consider a variety of other study resources (video, podcasts, etc.) to help us engage with the biblical text.

Along with Pastor Jason, participants will be invited to help facilitate our times of discussion and reflection themselves, as we make our way through *Romans*, with the intention of building some confidence for leading and engaging in Bible study. But no pressure! And there are no prerequisites. Whether you are new to the Bible or have been reading and studying it for years, this class can be for you. If you plan to be a part

of this class, please let Pastor Jason know so we can be sure to order enough commentaries/guides (jalspaugh@fbcd Dayton.org).

Children's Sunday School & Activities

Sunday School for children (grades preK-5) begins after the *Children's Message* during morning worship (approx. **10:30-11:15am**). Children are invited to come forward for the message, and are then led down to their classrooms by their teacher(s). Parents should pick up their child(ren) shortly after morning worship.



FBC Kids

One Room Sunday School Class

PreK-5 Graders

Room #4 (Lower Level)

Over the course of the year, we utilize a variety of curricula to help our kids learn many of the important stories of faith from every major section of the Bible. Interactive storytelling, activities, music and crafts will help our kids engage with the Scriptures each week.

Children's Music/Activities

PreK-5 Graders

Sundays @ 11:30am-12:15pm

Room 3A (Lower Level)

During the 11:30am Sunday school time for adults and youth, we invite elementary school age children to gather for a time of supervised music and/or activities. Parents are asked to pick up their kids shortly after their classes conclude.

Youth Sunday School

Jr./Sr. High Sunday School

6-12 Graders

11:30am-12:15pm

Youth Room #1 (Lower Level)

This fall our Jr./Sr. High youth will be using resources from Illustrated Ministry's *Mini Revolutions*, which follows the Revised Common Lectionary. Each week youth will be invited to explore the connections between their lived experiences and the stories of Scripture, and consider the ways in which the Spirit may be speaking to them through these sacred texts.



An Invitation from Tay Mosely!

SUNDAY SOCIAL • BIRTHDAY BRUNCH • FELLOWSHIP

Tay's 52nd Birthday Brunch

Good food, good company, and another trip around the sun.

Join us for an afternoon of brunch, fellowship, and celebration.

DATE

Sunday, September 20, 2026

LOCATION

First Dayton Baptist Church

Dayton, Ohio

BRUNCH

12:30 PM

Make a Sunday of It

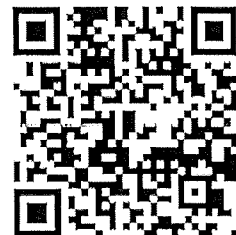
10:00 AM	Worship Service
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM	Coffee & Fellowship
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	Sunday School (optional)
12:30 PM	Birthday Brunch served

Save Your Seat

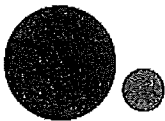
Please RSVP for the 12:30 PM birthday brunch
by Monday, September 14, 2026.

SCAN FOR DETAILS & RSVP

Dietary needs and food allergies can be shared when you RSVP.



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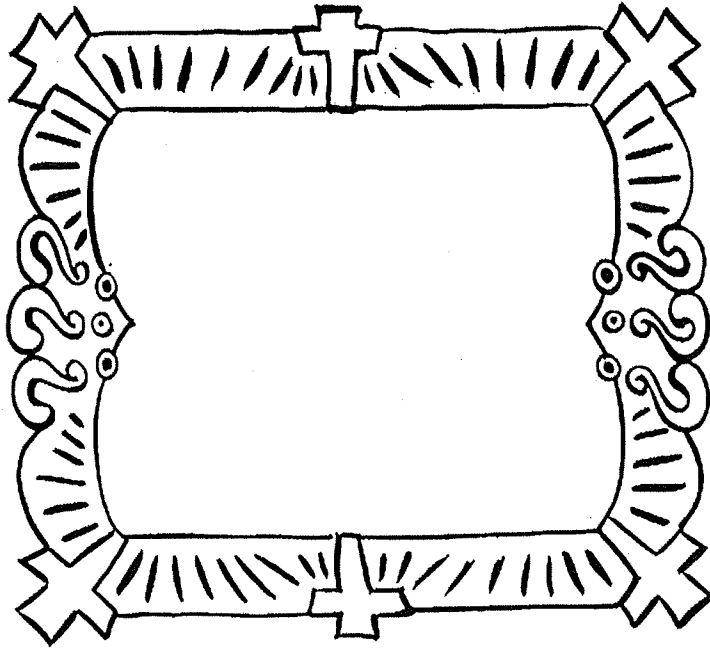


Send

God questions

Jesus said: "...truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven." WOW! God really hears our prayers! What will you pray about?

Write or draw a picture of your prayer.



This week

When you make a mistake, give yourself a hug and remember Jesus' forgiveness.

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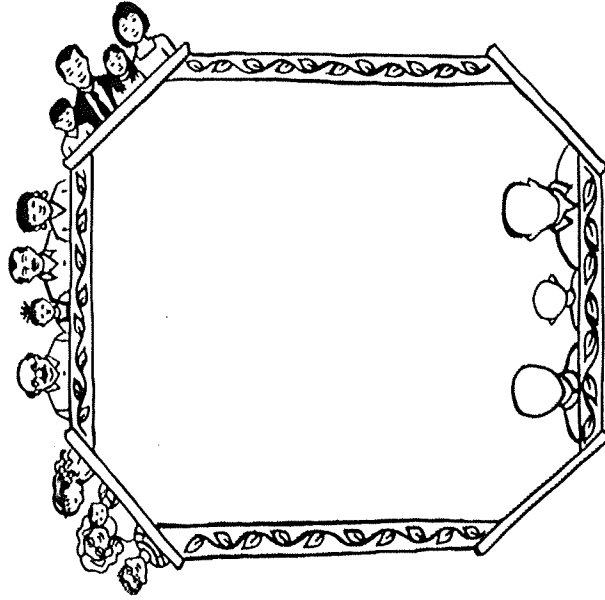


gather

Welcome to worship. Jesus said: "...where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them" (Matthew 18:20). Jesus is with you! Who else is with you? Who brought you to church?

How many people did you come with? _____

Draw some of the people with you today.



hear & celebrate

I'm sorry

Matthew 18:15-20

Nobody's perfect. We all make mistakes. We need to say we're sorry to make things right with other people. There are many ways to say "I'm sorry." Jesus is with us always no matter what we do.

Solve the puzzles by placing the correct vowels in the blanks to discover a few different ways to say "I'm sorry".

1 = A 2 = E 3 = I 4 = O 5 = U

1. _ _ _ PS, S _ RRY!
4 4 4

2. _ G _ _ F _ D
3 4 4 2

3. PL _ _ S _ F _ RG _ V _ M _
2 1 2 4 3 2 2

4. _ M _ D _ _ M _ ST _ K _
3 1 2 1 3 1 2

5. _ 'M S _ RRY _ H _ RT Y _
3 4 3 5 4 5



How do you show someone you're sorry?
Draw a picture of it here.

Dear Jesus, thank you for forgiving us. Amen.