

Shadyside Presbyterian Church
Kids' Worship Bulletin
Sunday, 18 July, 2021
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Where does God live?

We hear “The Church is God’s house” a lot. So where is God’s house, anyway?

Today’s Old Testament reading from 1 Samuel can help us understand more about God’s house. King David starts to worry when he realizes he lives in an awesome palace but that the temple is actually a tent. David is pretty sure he needs to have the people begin building an awesome temple for God. David wants God to have the best house possible.

God knows what David is thinking and gives David’s friend Nathan a message to share with David:

God doesn’t live in any one place. The church is not God’s house. The church is the place where people worship God and do God’s work together. God is too big to stay in one building, no matter how big or fancy. God is always on the move among all people everywhere.¹

Where in the Word is the Word?

“The Word” can mean many things:

The Word = God’s messages for God’s people

The Word = Jesus

The Word = The Bible



Where in the Bible do we find the scripture readings for today?

Both scripture readings are found in the New Testament:

Book of the Bible	Chapter	Verses
2 Samuel	7	1-14a
Mark	6	30-36, 53-56

How quickly can you find these in the bible?

If you search using Bing or Google, what can you learn about King David?

The book of 2 Samuel continues the history of Israel that began in 1 Samuel. It tells the rest of the story of King David’s life. 2 Samuel contains stories of both the good and bad choices David made while he was the king of Israel.

¹ Carolyn Brown, *Worshipping with Children Blogspot*, June 2015

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God doesn't live in a building...

People live in buildings. People gather to worship God in buildings and to do God's work in buildings, but God does n't LIVE there. This is a song you may know:

I am the church;	The church is not a building.
You are the church;	The church is not a steeple.
We are the church together.	The church is not a resting place.
All who follow Jesus, all around the world,	The church is the people.
Yes, we're the church together.	

This song reminds us WE are the CHURCH and that God is everywhere we are, inside a building, on a street, in our schools, on a bus, and yes, in church.

We may say "House of God," but we don't mean God lives there. We mean the people of God gather there. These are all examples of places people gather:



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What's the Word?

Pretend someone asks you, "So, what was Pastor Kendra's sermon all about?" How would you describe today's message?

We Are Family

"Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."
 Mark 3:35 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Mark 3:20-35



N C M V F E D Y O Z R S L W W
 W W H C L W M A R G Q E A D U
 F A O C O O O E H X V A W I F
 J V R R D U H H J K M T T S W
 Q I C G U T B N Z A O E X C R
 C U N E O Z Z N F P T D S I G
 K I R R F D J L Y K H R M P N
 K Q B R S A H O U S E X G L Q
 V A Y S D E M G U H R V B E G
 E Z F J H I K I C O I G B S I
 J H B Z B X V A L Z F L U K W
 W E G O D J E I L Y P M R I V
 N Q S P Y T S M D V E G L Q T
 Z M U U O Q N X R E A N W A D
 R N C C S H N F W Z D P E J F

FAMILY	CROWD	CIRCLE	JESUS	DIVIDED
LAW	EAT	MOTHER	DISCIPLES	KINGDOM
HOUSE	BROTHER	SEATED	TEACHERS	GOD

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JESUS TEACHES US TO PRAY

Do you ever wonder how to pray? Jesus' disciples wondered this too. One day they asked Jesus to teach them how to pray (Luke 11:1). Below are some things that Jesus teaches us about prayer. To find the answers, cross off the odd numbers. Then, write the letters under the even numbers in order on the lines.

1. WE SHOULD PRAY _____ (Matt. 19:13)

71	4	27	22	8	64	9	15	78	3	16	34	1	82	40
P	F	M	O	R	O	A	C	T	I	H	E	M	R	S

2. WE SHOULD PRAY _____ (Luke 5:16)

9	25	60	39	55	42	7	11	8	34	17	5	13	12	33
S	T	O	L	M	F	G	C	T	E	A	D	Y	N	R



3. WE SHOULD _____ IN PRAYER. (Luke 11:2)

50	44	3	12	10	23	4	17	22	48	19	16	35	38	6
W	O	V	R	S	H	H	X	I	P	K	G	O	O	D

4. WE SHOULD _____ GOD FOR THE THINGS WE _____. (Luke 11:3)

5	16	57	34	8	19	3	72	45	28	69	27	64	52	9
N	A	F	S	K	U	Y	N	X	E	T	L	E	D	S

5. WE SHOULD ASK FOR _____ (Luke 11:4)

18	50	27	42	9	78	2	60	77	32	44	28	35	6	54
F	O	K	R	S	G	I	V	A	E	N	E	T	S	S

6. WE SHOULD ASK GOD TO HELP US NOT TO _____, BUT TO _____ HIM.

6	11	18	45	22	13	38	14	9	23	10	7	69	33	4
S	H	I	R	N	L	O	B	P	D	E	C	O	F	Y

7. WE SHOULD PRAY THAT _____ BE DONE. (Matt. 26:39)

44	5	25	36	60	3	48	17	55	8	57	20	39	12	30
G	M	T	O	D	P	S	U	V	W	N	I	S	L	L