

**Shadyside Presbyterian Church
Kids' Worship Bulletin
20 March 2022
Third Sunday in Lent**

læncte



The word Lent comes from a very old word. Læncte was a word used in a language called “Old English,” because it was spoken a long time ago.

Læncte means to lengthen or to get longer, and was used to describe springtime, when the days lengthen and we have more light.

This season of the church year is a time of preparation, reflection, growth, and change.



As God’s people take the time to learn more about God and their relationship to God and others, the season before Easter can be as a time for us to grow in our faith and a time to build on the faith that is already ours.

Sacrament of Baptism

Today, through baptism, we welcome Gwendolyn Roscher and her sister Penelope Roscher into our church family. Our baptism is a sign that we belong to God and to the family of Jesus followers everywhere. This is a happy day for Gwenny and Penny and for their family. It is a happy day for our church, and you get to be a part of it.

Sometimes when there is something very important that belongs to us, we like to tell everyone that it is ours...



Our Book



Our Stuffed Animal



Our Bicycle

Baptism is about belonging. God told John the Baptist to baptize Jesus in the water from the Jordan River. John did that.

The water that John poured on Jesus was a sign that Jesus belongs to God.

Our baptism is a sign that we belong to God. When we are baptized, God gives us a very special gift to help us grow, learn, and love. God’s special gift to all of us at baptism is the Holy Spirit – God working deep inside us. Baptism is the sign that tells us we belong to God.

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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, God’s Son
- The Word = The Bible, the story of God’s people
- The Word = A sermon or homily



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

Book of the Bible	Chapters	Verses
Isaiah	55	1-9
Luke	13	1-9

CHALLENGE: How many seconds does it take you to find Isaiah 55 in the pew bible?

“Jesus told this parable”

Luke 13:6 begins with the words, “Jesus told this parable,” and then Jesus continues to tell a story. There are many places in the New Testament where we can read the parables Jesus told.

I wonder what a parable is.

I wonder why Jesus liked to tell parables.

Today’s parable is about a man who had a fruit tree that was not producing any fruit. The man instructs the gardener to cut the tree down so he can plant a new tree that will provide fruit.

Read Luke 13:8-9 to learn what the gardener says to the man.

What is the gardener’s reply? _____

Who has hope for the tree? _____



A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it ...
LUKE 13:6, NRSV

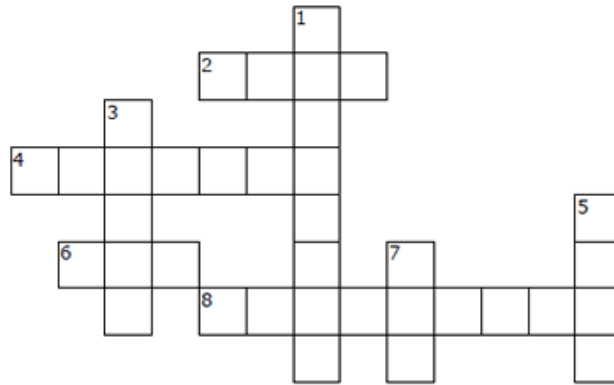
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The Parable of the Fig Tree

" 'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.' "

Luke 13:8-9 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Luke 13:6-9 (NIV)



ACROSS

2. The top layer of the earth's surface favorable to plant growth.
4. A simple story teaching a moral or religious lesson.
6. To break up and move dirt using a shovel.
8. To spread something on land or plants to help plants grow.

DOWN

1. An area of ground planted with vines and fruit trees.
3. The usually sweet-tasting part of a tree which can be eaten.
5. A large plant with a trunk, limbs, branches, and leaves.
7. The sweet, pear-shaped, fruit of a plant found in Bible lands.

PARABLE	TREE	VINEYARD	SOIL
FIG	FRUIT	FERTILIZE	DIG

Name: _____

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

Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden     and .

ADORATION
ALMIGHTY
BAPTISM
BLESSING
BODY
CHILD
CONFESSION
DAILY BREAD

DOXOLOGY
FAITHFULNESS
FIG TREE
FONT
HOLY
HYMN
ISAIAH
JESUS

JOY
LENT
LOVE
LUKE
MYSTERY
PARABLE
PARDON
PRAISE

PRAYER
PROMISE
PSALMS
REDEEMED
SACRAMENT
SAVIOR
SURELY
TRUST

WATER
WORSHIP