

Shadyside Presbyterian Church
Kids' Worship Bulletin
3 April 2022
Communion Sunday

Mary's Gift for Jesus!

John tells the story of Jesus with beautiful words that help us create pictures in our imaginations. As you listen to Pastor Austin read John 12:1-8, try to imagine what it looked like when Mary, Martha, and Lazarus welcomed Jesus as a guest at their home.

Mary gave Jesus a very expensive gift and one person thought she was crazy for giving such a rare and precious gift away. Jesus understood why Mary shared the gift and tried to get others to understand as well.

I wonder if you have a special gift you want to share with Jesus.



These berries were used to make the perfume Mary put on Jesus's feet. What was that perfume called? [Hint: It's in John 12:1-8]

Did you know this plant still grows today?

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 spoken

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

Book of the Bible	Chapter	Verses
Isaiah	43	16-21
John	12	1-8



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What is Communion and what I am supposed to do?

What is it?

Communion is a time of sharing and remembering. In our church, we invite all those who love and trust Jesus to participate in communion. Jesus shared special meals with his friends and disciples, but the most special meal he shared with them was the night before Jesus died.



"Given for you..."

Jesus wanted his disciples to have a special way of remembering him, so when they had their meal, Jesus told his followers the bread was to help them remember his body and that the wine (juice from grapes) was to help them remember Jesus' blood.

We still have this special remembering meal today and we call it Communion. The bread reminds us Jesus was a living person with a body and we "break" the bread to remember Jesus. The juice reminds us Jesus died for us; he died on a cross, so we remember Jesus' blood, like the dark juice we drink. Communion is a meal of remembering.



Holy Communion

Our pastors help us to understand this by the words they say. You can follow along in the bulletin so you know when it is your turn to pray and sing.

What do I do with this little cup thing?



Listen for our pastor's instructions on when and how to peel back the plastic on the top of the cup. The wafer is right under the clear plastic, so do that first. Peel back the next layer to drink the grape juice. You should eat the wafer and drink the juice when you are ready. We wait for everyone else to be served and then follow the pastor's example on when we eat the bread and drink the juice. When you are finished, you should put the plastic cup in the holding place in the pew – near the bible and hymnal.

What do I do during the quiet time?

If you are done before other people, you can listen to the music. This is also a great time to pray. You can say thankful prayers or you can tell God you are sorry for things you may have done that were not the best choices. God listens to our prayers. Honest.

When communion is over, we all say the Lord's Prayer together and then sing a hymn or song of praise to thank God for giving us Jesus.



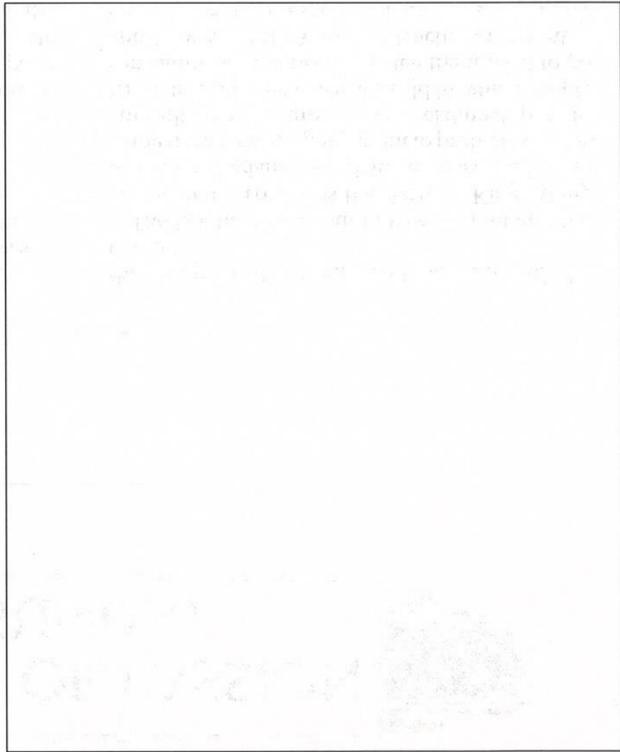
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God said,

Watch for the new thing I
am going to do. It is
happening already - you
can see it now!

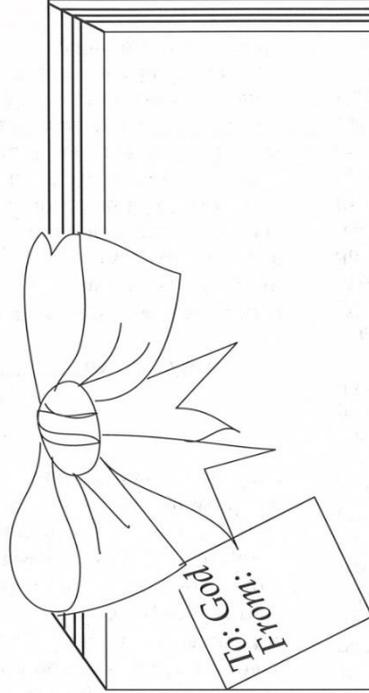
(Isaiah 43:19)

Draw or write about something you think
God is doing now in your world, your
town, or your church. Listen to the sermon
for ideas.



Mary gave Jesus perfume.
Paul became a missionary as his
gift to God and Jesus.

Draw or write about a gift you
want to give God.



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Are you paying attention? BINGO!

		<p>Someone smiling or laughing</p>	<p>When you hear the word:</p> 	<p>Someone with their reading glasses on top of their head</p>
<p>Someone wearing sneakers or tennis shoes</p>	<p>What event happens after worship April 10th? _____</p>		<p>A child playing with Model Magic</p>	
	<p>Someone writing with a pen (not a pencil)</p>	<p>Free Space</p>  <p>Sacrament of Communion</p>		<p>Who is the organist for the POSTLUDE? _____</p>
<p>How many New Members were welcomed to our church last week? _____</p>	<p>When you hear the word:</p> 	<p>You hear or read the word: <i>Nard</i></p>		<p>Someone with a decorative pin or jewelry on their clothes</p>
<p>A person wearing a hat</p>		<p>You participate in communion</p>	<p>Someone wearing a yellow shirt, jacket, or dress</p>	<p>List 3 NAMES Pastor Austin says in her sermon</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2. 3.

Place an X in the box when you hear or see the thing mentioned or pictured during the service this morning. Write the answers on the lines provided for the questions See Ms. Ellen Allston downstairs after worship to choose a prize for trying to complete the BINGO card. You may choose a prize even for just trying.