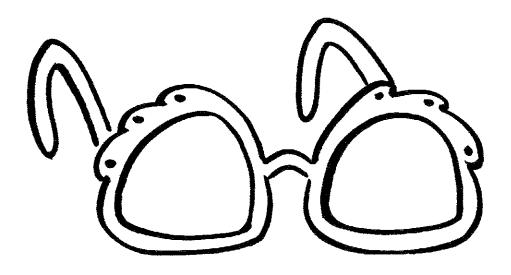
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Seeing Jesus

We can't see Jesus like Bartimaeus could at the end of today's gospel. We have symbols and reminders of Jesus in our worship place and in our homes. We think of Jesus when we see a cross. We think of Jesus when we see the bread and wine of communion. We think of Jesus when we see or hear the stories in the Bible.

What do you see that reminds you of Jesus? Draw two reminders here:





Open our eyes to see where you lead us, dear Lord.
Amen

This week

Place some visible reminders of Jesus' presence in your home, especially in your room.

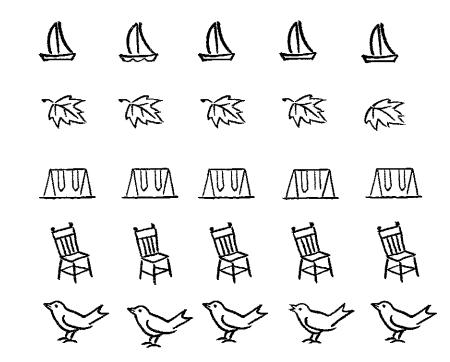


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Welcome to worship.

We meet Bartimaeus in today's gospel. Bartimaeus's eyes were blind but his heart saw clearly who could help him. He cried out to Jesus. He knew that Jesus was different than all of the other teachers and leaders. Jesus healed him and Bartimaeus followed Jesus.

Look with your eyes for the one item in each line that is different from the rest and circle it.





Eyes of faith

Mark 10:46-52

Bartimaeus wants to see and he knows Jesus can help him. He asks Jesus for healing by saying, "Lord, have mercy." We ask the same thing of Jesus each Sunday when we use the KYRIE (kee-re-ay) in worship. We pray asking, "Lord, be with us and with others" in many ways during the Kyrie.



Use your eyes to look at the silly pictures then say them to yourself to figure out what the real words are in the Kyrie.

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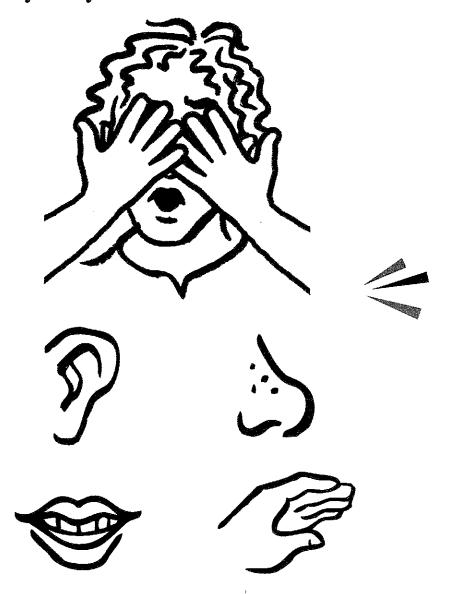
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Bartimaeus couldn't see, but he could still use his other senses. Close your eyes. What parts of worship do you still experience? What do you hear? What do you feel? What do you smell? What do you taste?

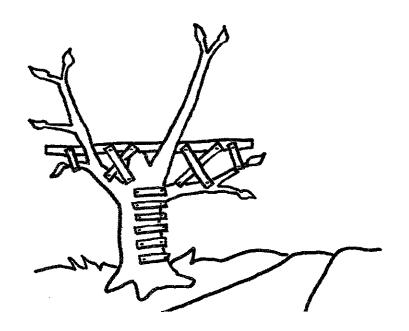
Circle which sense is the most important with your eyes closed.





- Today is the 23rd Sunday after Pentecost.
- The Day of Pentecost happened way back in May.
 Now it is the season after Pentecost.
- The season after Pentecost is a **very long** season!

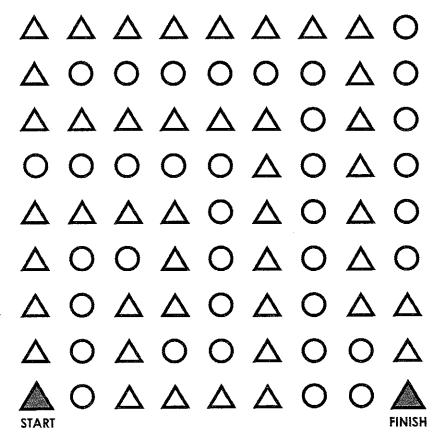
The symbol of the season after Pentecost is a tree. Have you ever been in a tree house? Draw your dream tree house in this tree.

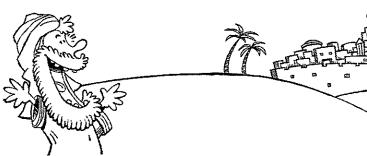




Bartimaeus knew Jesus could help him so he shouted even louder, "Jesus, I need you to help me!" Bartimaeus decided to follow Jesus as he was leaving Jericho to go to Jerusalem.

Color in the triangles to help Bartimaeus find the right path.





On Your Feet!

In today's Gospel, the disciples tell Bartimaeus to stand up and come to Jesus. During worship, the worship leader may ask you to stand up. Circle the times when you stand up in today's service.

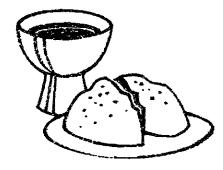




Hearing the pastor read the Gospel



Sharing the peace



Receiving Holy Communion

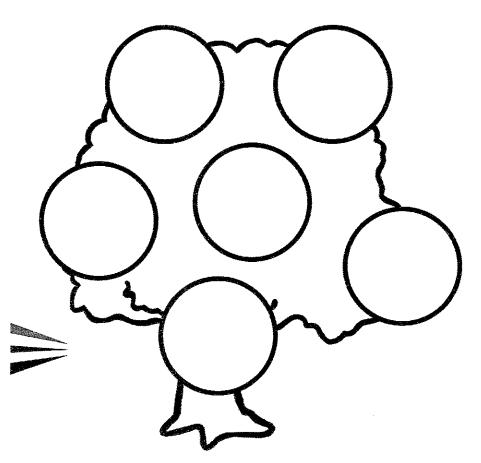




- Today is the 23rd Sunday after Pentecost.
- The season after Pentecost is the longest season in the church year.
- The season after Pentecost starts 50 days after Easter and ends the Sunday before Christ the King Sunday.

God's Big Tree of Life

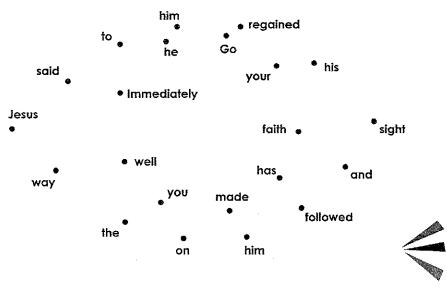
The tree symbol for Pentecost reminds us that everyone is a part of God's family tree! Draw some people you love in the spaces on this family tree.



Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way." – Mark 10:25



Play connect the dots with the words of the memory verse below. Make sure you connect the words in the right order! What shape do you make?



Memorize the Gospels!

The first four books of the New Testament are Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. To remember their order, you can make up a four-word phrase that helps you remember M-M-L-J, like Mother Mary Loves Jesus, or Many Monkeys Land Jobs. Write some of your own ideas here.

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PENTECOST 23

Love at First Sight

Bartimaeus was blind, so could not see the crowd around him, Jesus, the road, or the walls of Jericho. Thanks to Jesus' miraculous gift, he could see again! Draw what Bartimaeus may have seen when he first opens his eyes.

