

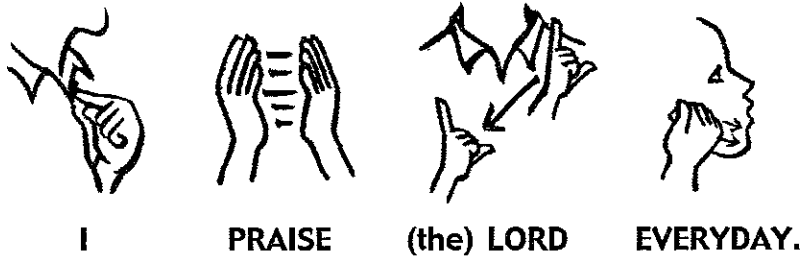
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Eyes, ears and voice


I will praise the Lord as long as I live. Psalm 146:1

The psalm writer and the people healed in today's gospel story knew the same thing: they HAD to praise the Lord. They couldn't keep the good news to themselves.

**Learn sign language for "I praise the Lord everyday."
Let your hands, voice, eyes, and ears all give praises to God!**



Count the number of times you find "PRAISE" in worship today. You will hear, speak, sing, and possibly even see it!




Dear God, we praise you
with our hearts and hands
and voices. Amen

This week

Invite someone you know to share in your praises, worship and learning at your church next Sunday.

Kids Celebrate

Lectionary 23



gather

Welcome to worship. Today we will be hearing about Jesus opening the ears of a deaf man. Jesus welcomed all people, whatever their physical condition was. God wants us to be that welcoming, too.

Draw lines from some of the things that may happen in worship to the parts of the body people use to enjoy them. Try to let your senses be "open" to many different things in today's worship.



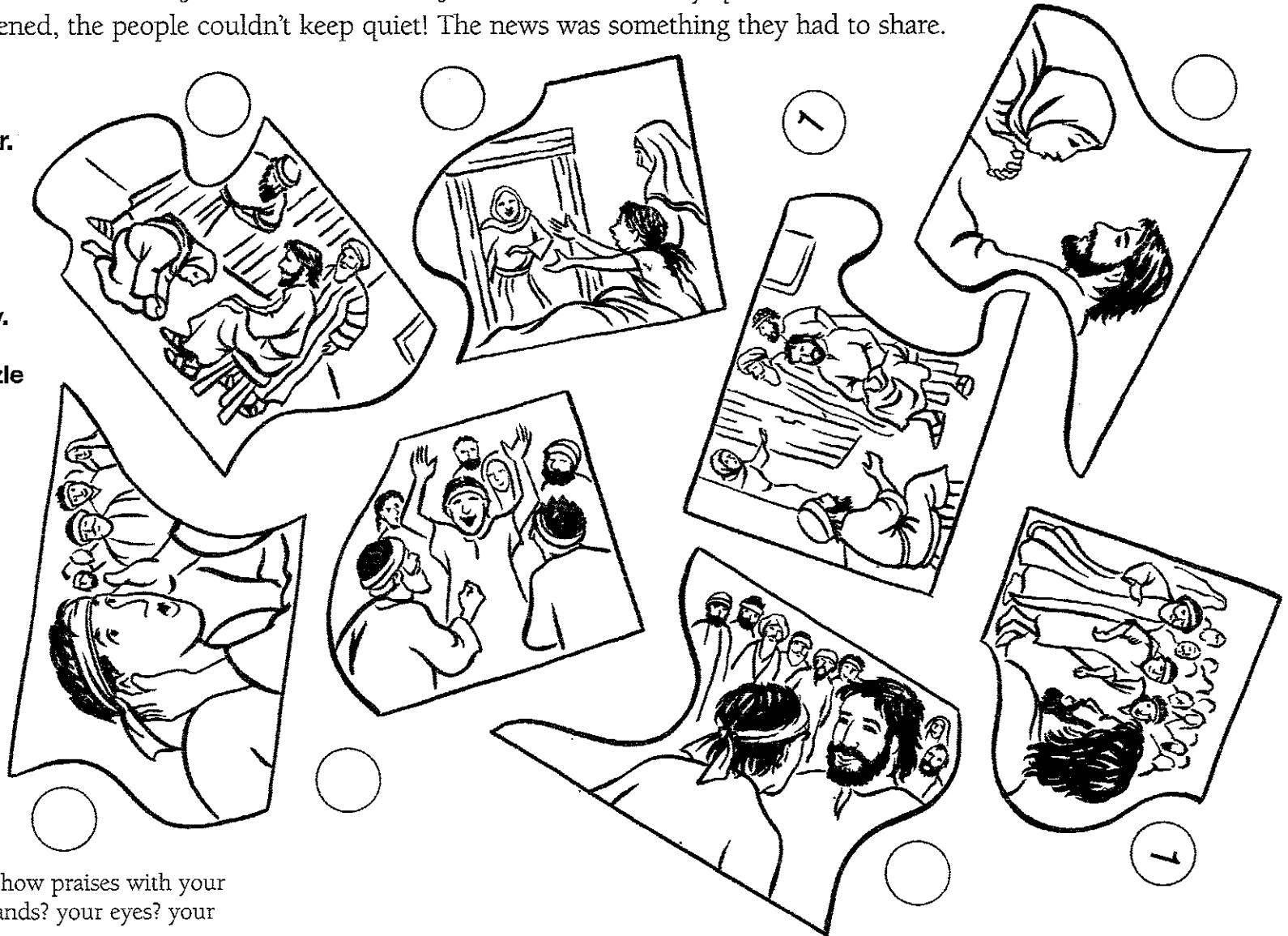
hear & celebrate

Beyond belief

Mark 7:24-37

All of the people were amazed at what Jesus did. Even when Jesus told them to stay quiet about the miracles that had happened, the people couldn't keep quiet! The news was something they had to share.

Put the pictures for today's stories about Jesus in the right order. Listen to the gospel story. There are two stories about Jesus. The first piece of each of the two stories is labeled for you already. Put the numbers 2,3, and 4 on the right puzzle pieces for each story.

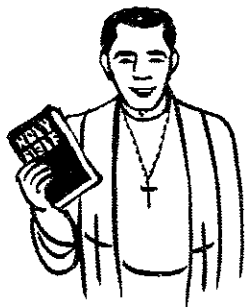
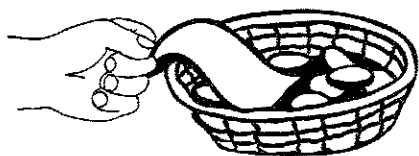


How do you show praises with your voice? your hands? your eyes? your body?

LOUD or quiet?

Place an **L** by the Loud parts of worship.

Write a **Q** by the Quiet parts.

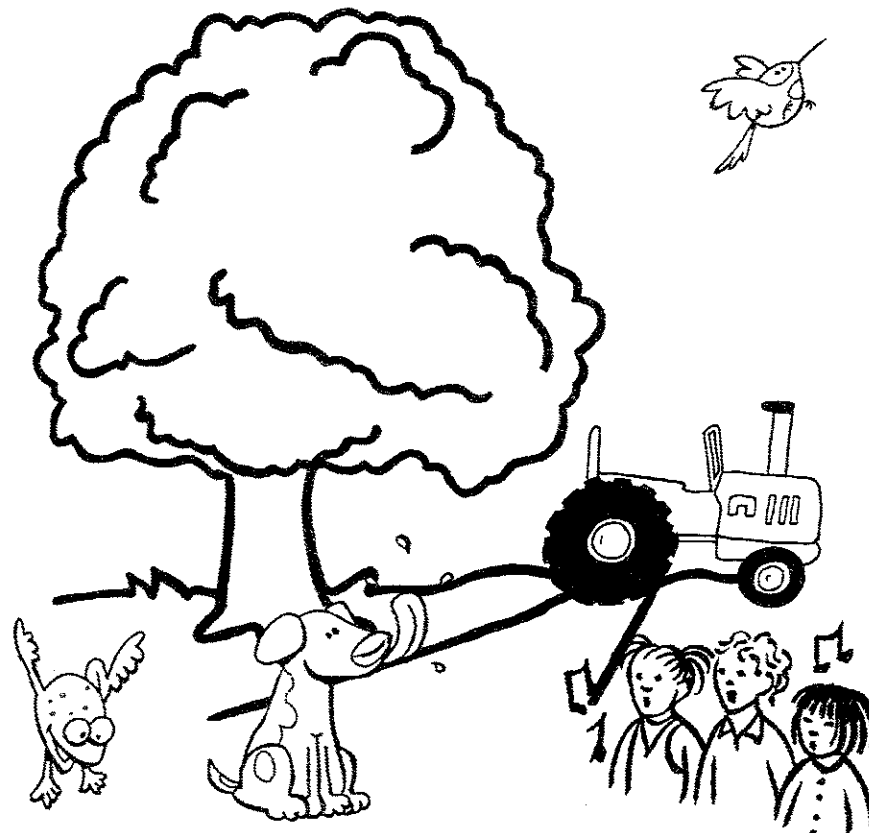


PRE-READER

Pentecost 16

- Today is the **16th Sunday** after Pentecost.
- The season after Pentecost is the **longest season** of the church year.
- Jesus wants **everyone** to follow him.

Color your favorite noisemakers in this picture.





Jesus healed the deaf man. Now the man can hear!

Jesus opened the man's ears so that he could hear.

What do we use to open things? Circle them.



Open Up To Worship

The man in today's story had his sense of hearing restored. Think about all the senses you use in worship as you do this activity.

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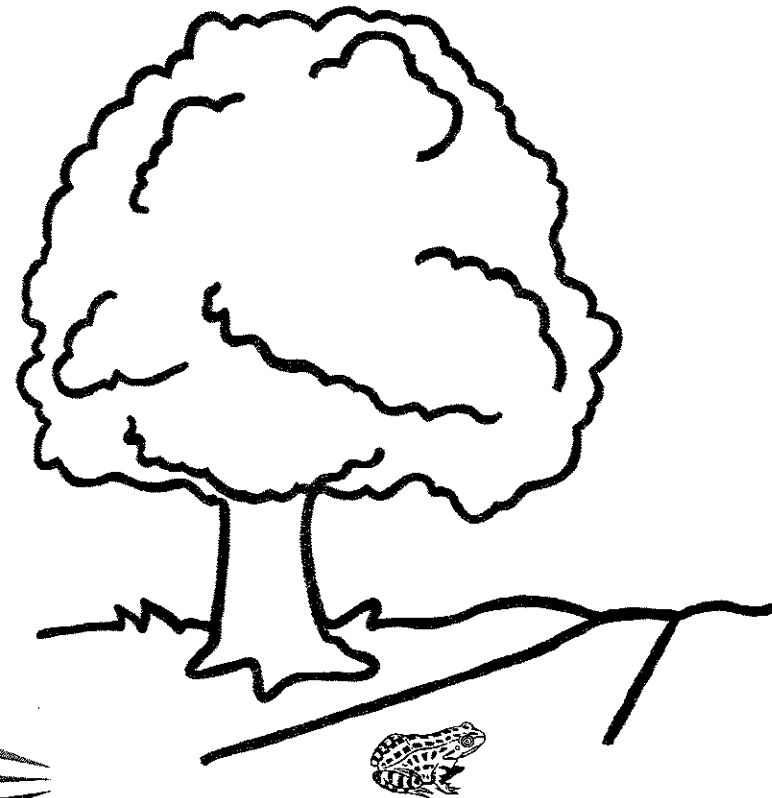
READER

Pentecost 16

- Today is the **16th Sunday** after Pentecost.
- Pentecost is the **longest season** of the church year.
- Jesus uses us to **continue his work** during Pentecost and always.
- **Faith and action** work together.

Hear That?

Add your favorite noisemaking creatures to this tree. After worship see who can imitate them best.



Beyond Belief

In today's stories Jesus does amazing healings. People couldn't keep quiet about it!

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Look It Up!

Jesus uses spit again in Mark 8:22-25—this time to heal sight.



Memory Verse

Memorize this verse by learning one line at a time. Fold the bottom of your bulletin up to the dotted line. Say a line and cover it up. Work your way up until you've got the entire verse memorized!

Mark 7:35

And he spoke plainly

and his tongue was released

his ears were opened

And immediately



Bible Tip!

During worship, we often pick up in the Bible where we left off the week before. Leave a bookmark in Mark 7 this week and next week you'll be ready to go!

