

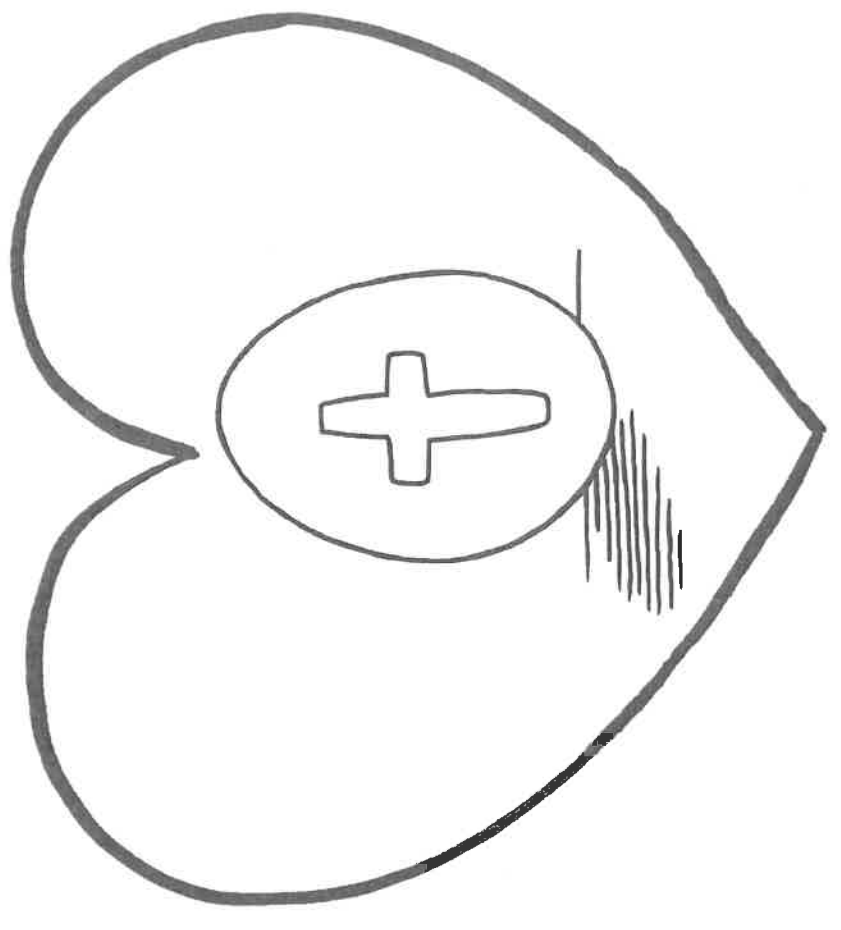
PRE-READER

Easter 7



- Today is the **7th Sunday** in Easter.
- During Easter, we learn about the members of **the first churches**.
- During Easter we are called to **share** the good news!

How do you show God's love? Inside the heart, draw or write ways that you show God's love.



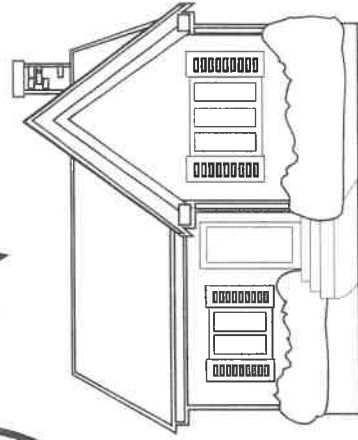
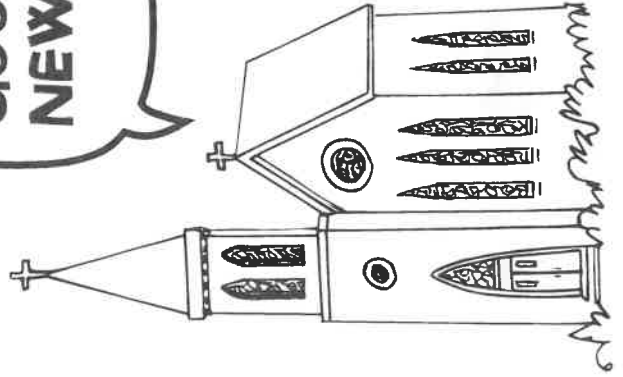
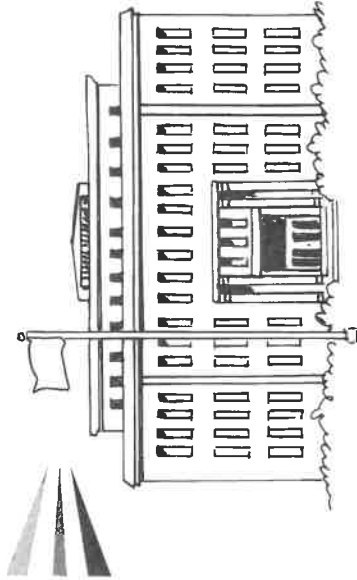
All of us prepare for worship in different ways. What did you do to get ready for church this morning? Draw a heart around everything you did this morning to get ready for worship.



Our families also celebrate Sundays differently. What will you do after worship? Draw or write about what your family will do together.

Matthias was chosen by God. Each of us has been chosen by God. We can tell the world about Jesus.

Where can you share God's news? All kinds of places! Color in all the places where you can share.



GOOD NEWS!



God showed the disciples that Matthias was the right person for the job.

Easter Words

The Easter season is almost over. Complete the puzzle with words you used this Easter. Then take a look around the worship space. Remember the colors and artwork. Look for big changes next week!



ACROSS

3. Number of days in the season of Easter.
4. A symbol of Jesus' new life.
6. Jesus _____ all people.



DOWN

1. God's Son.
2. The church color for Easter.
3. Jesus died on the cross to _____ our sins.
5. Jesus loves _____!



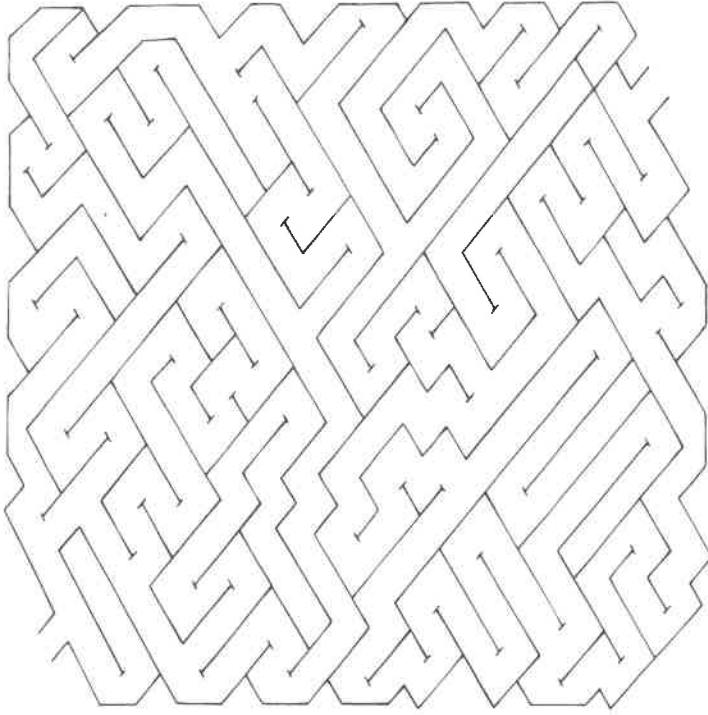

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Long Road Ahead

During the days of the early Christian church, people walked long distances to share the good news of Jesus. As a new disciple, Matthias made many journeys with Jesus' other followers. Help Matthias find his way to the next city.



In the World as One

Jesus wanted his family to work together as one family of God.

Find the number 1 seven times in this picture, one for each week of the Easter season.



Look it Up!

The disciples prayed to God before choosing Matthias in today's story. Read Acts 1:21-26 again. What did the disciples ask God? Write some ideas below.

When you pray, what do you say to God? Write some thoughts below.



Memory Verse

The disciples received this letter but all the vowels are missing! Can you figure out where they go?



Pr _ t _ ct th _ m _ n y _ _ _ r
n _ m _ _ th _ t y _ _ _ h _ v _ _
g _ v _ n m _ , s _ th _ t th _ y
m _ y b _ _ _ n _ , _ s w _ _
_ r _ _ _ n _ .

J _ _ hn 17:11b

Did You Know?

The Book of Acts continues the action from the Gospel of Luke. Acts begins with a brief summary of Luke's Gospel and then introduces the second part of the story. For the writer of Luke, the story doesn't stop with Jesus. He wants to tell everyone about the earliest churches and spread the good news to all.