

This Week in Sunday School - Jesus the Good Shepherd

Happy Sunday Friends,

This week's lesson may feel more like school because we're learning about metaphors. Jesus loved to tell stories and give examples that made pictures to help us understand his lessons. This week is an example of Jesus using a metaphor to help explain to the disciples how much he loved them and all of us. Our Bible story today is about Jesus taking care of sheep. There is a special name for someone who takes care of sheep. They are called a shepherd. Jesus says he is like a good shepherd. Jesus takes care of people, like a shepherd takes care of sheep.

Attached are some activity sheets. Enjoy!

Finally Friends, Jesus loves us. Jesus protects us. Jesus is good and Jesus is our shepherd.

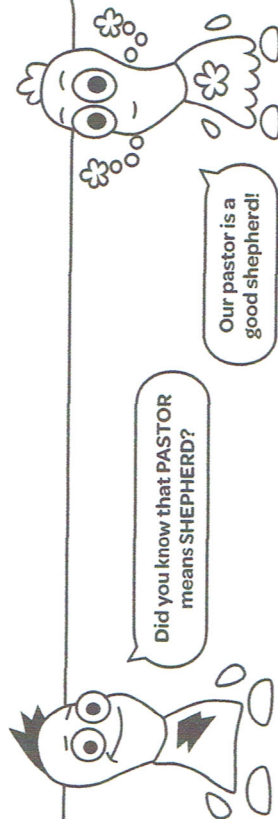
I hope all of you know how much you are loved and missed! We can't wait to be all together at church again soon.

Take Care,
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Pastors help lead us closer to God.

Draw a picture of your pastor.

MY PASTOR



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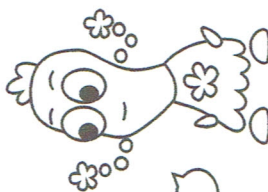
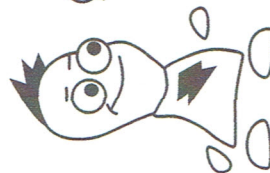
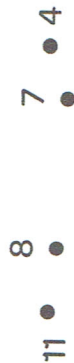
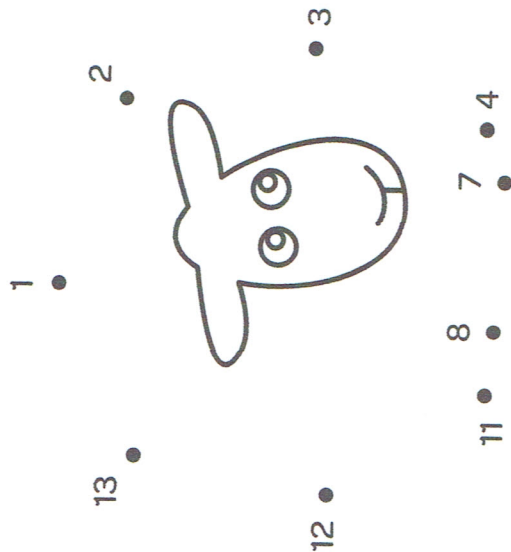


Pre-Reader

TODAY'S THEME IS SHEPHERD.



If Jesus is our shepherd, what does that make us?
Follow the dot-to-dot below to find out.



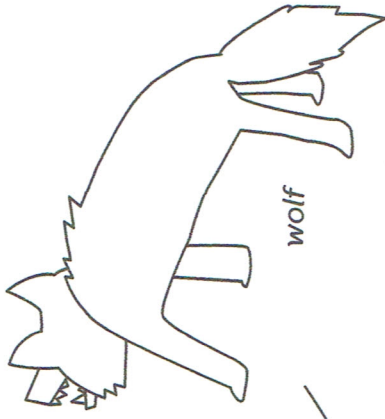
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Jesus is the GOOD SHEPHERD.

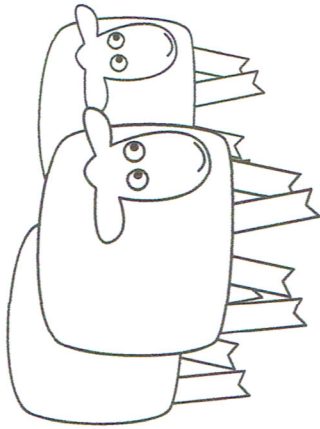
Follow the path of the Good Shepherd.



That is NOT a friendly dog!

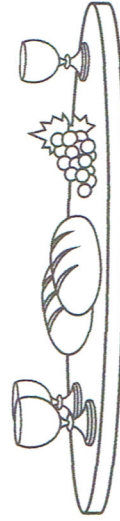


wolf



still water

the darkest valley



a feast

green pastures

Today our church family prays for ...

One of the most recognized Bible readings about shepherds is Psalm 23. Read it below and then draw a picture for each of the sections.

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and
your staff—they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence
of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my
cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all
the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house
of the LORD my whole life long.

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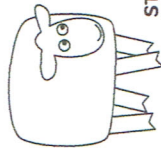


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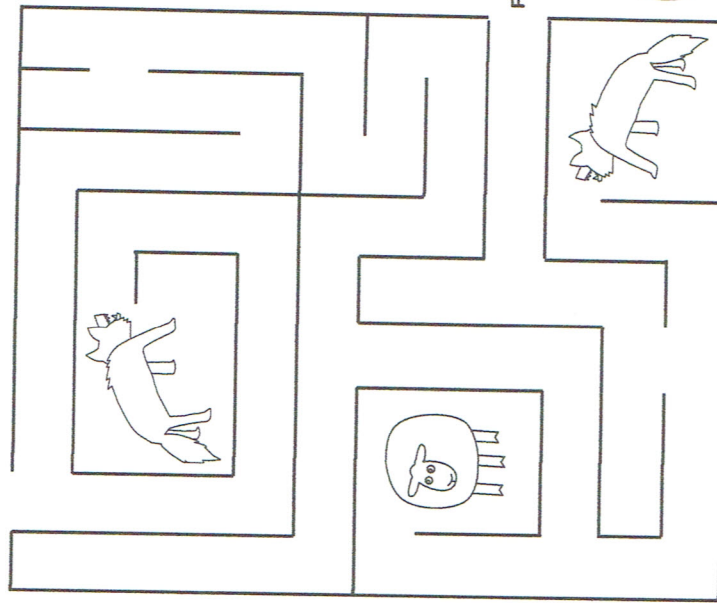
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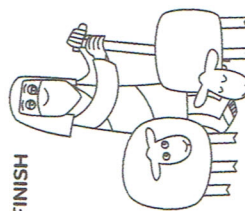
Jesus says a good shepherd leads his sheep to food and water and protects them from danger or getting lost. Can you find your way through the maze without getting lost?



START



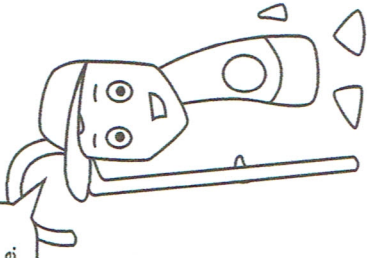
FINISH



"I am the good shepherd." John 10:11

Circle the qualities that a shepherd or animal caretaker should have. Cross out the qualities that aren't helpful. Do the words you've circled describe Jesus, too? What other words can you think of to describe Jesus and a good shepherd?

A shepherd is a person who takes care of animals. A shepherd has to lead sheep so that they find food and water and don't get into trouble.



annoyed

strong

responsible

embarrassed

caring

spiteful

forgetful

mean

thoughtful

leader

bully

loving

attentive

compassionate

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