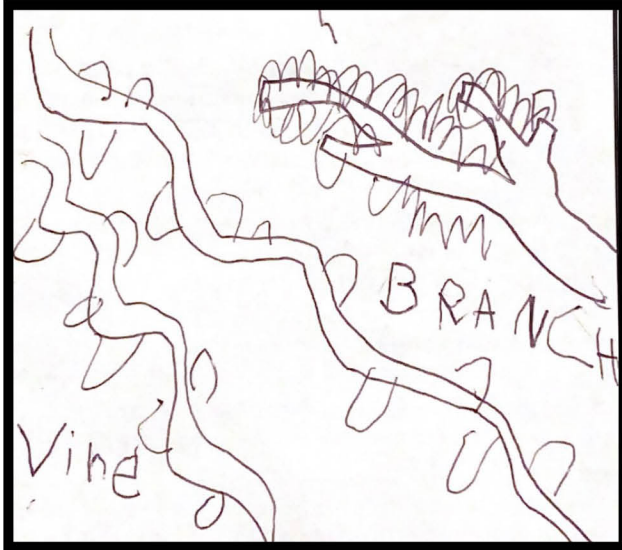


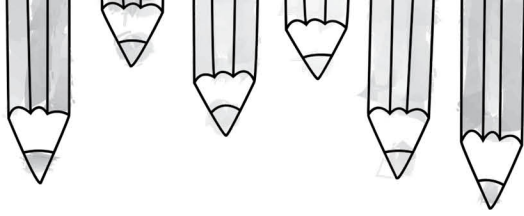
The Children's Worship Bulletin

Trinity Presbyterian Church

October 3, 2021



Name: Mitchell Thomas Age: 5



Just a word from Mr. Kurt

Kurt Cooper • Minister of Youth Discipleship

Dear Children,

Do you sleep with a stuffed animal?

Maybe you don't anymore because you're older now, and that's fine. But most children have a teddy bear or a "lovey" that stays in their bed with them. When I was little, my stuffed animal was called "Baby Dog" (pictured left).



Stuffed animals are soft and cute. While they might resemble a real animal, they are not real. Real animals aren't always as cute or soft. Real animals sometimes have claws or sharp teeth. Some real animals are dangerous for humans to be around (bears are a great example). Stuffed animals are the child-like version of those real animals. But they aren't the real thing.

In the same way, some people talk about Jesus like he's a stuffed animal. They talk about some of things he taught. They talk about some of the things he did. But they ignore other, more difficult things that Jesus said and did. These people will say Jesus was "a good man." They will say Jesus was a "good moral teacher." But that's a stuffed animal version of Jesus. The Jesus we read about in the Scriptures is real. Sometimes he says things that are difficult for us to understand or even offensive. Sometimes he talks about our sin and it makes us uncomfortable.

Most importantly, he dies on the cross to redeem us from our sin. Jesus was not simply a good man or a good teacher. The real Jesus was the Son of God. We have to be careful not to focus only on the soft and sweet aspects of Jesus. We have to be careful to worship him as he is.

I know many of you have read, or are reading the Chronicles of Narnia. Focusing on the real Jesus reminds me of this conversation from The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe:

"Aslan is a lion - the Lion, the great Lion."

"Ooh," said Susan. "I'd thought he was a man. Is he - quite safe? I shall feel rather nervous about meeting a lion..." "Safe?" said Mr. Beaver... "Who said anything about safe? 'Course he isn't safe. But he's good..."

May the Lord bless you and keep you,

Mr. Kurt



Do you have a:

Prayer Request? Is there something you need prayer for?

Praise Report? Has God answered a prayer?

Is there anything else you would like Mr. Mac to know?

Mr. Mac wants to know!!

Please write to him here and place your message in his box.

Dear Mr. Mac,

Name: _____ Age: _____

A Guide to Family Worship

October 4 - October 9

THE SIMPLEST OUTLINE FOR FAMILY TIME EVER!!! 10 EASY STEPS

- #1** Just make sure you gather once a day as a family.
- #2** Try really hard to make the same time every day.
- #3** It does not have to be long; it does not have to be perfect.
- #4** Read a Bible verse. Maybe a devotional.
- #5** Sing a song or two together.
- #6** Take prayer requests.
- #7** Pray. (Daddy, your children NEED to hear you pray.) Pray for the children; pray for missionaries; pray for Trinity Church; give thanks.
- #8** Everyone tell one thing they are thankful for.
- #9** Have a Leader of the Day: they get to read and/or pray and/or tell everyone to come gather and/or put out the Bibles/hymnals and/or tell something that happened to them that day.
- #10** Dad, pray this over your children: Numbers 6:24–26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

Sermon Art

Use this page to illustrate something that Mr. Cooper preaches on during the sermon this morning!

This week's lesson is on

John 7:1-52

Want to see your artwork on
the FRONT PAGE?

Put your artwork in the Sermon Art mailbox in the church office (bottom left hand side).



Name: _____

Age: _____

“And He said to them,
‘Go into all the world
and proclaim the gospel
to the whole creation.’”
Mark 16:15

Meet Our Missionaries!



PCA
Mission to North America
(Lawrenceville, GA)

MNA coordinates church planting, church renewal, and missional partnerships to serve PCA churches and presbyteries in North America in their mission to grow and multiply biblically healthy churches.

IN FULFILLMENT OF THIS VISION, OUR HOPE IS...

- To see all PCA churches become houses of prayer for all the nations (Mark 11:7), embracing a Great Commission vision.
- To see people coming to Christ from the many diverse communities and people groups of North America.
- To impact the centers of influence in North America.
- To see churches planted in all regions of North America.

CHURCH PLANTING SERVICES

MNA provides resources and guidance to churches and presbyteries as they:

- Develop and Recruit. Developing and recruiting church planters and church planting teams.
- Assess. Assessing church planter candidates and their spouses.
- Fundraise. Training and assisting church planters in their fundraising.
- Place. Seeking God's guidance in placing the church planter.
- Train. Providing church planter training.
- Coach and Mentor. Supporting and encouraging the church planter through coaching and mentoring.
- Celebrate and Renew. Reflecting on God's great work thus far and looking to him for greater works in the future.

Music and Hymns

#246 "Man of Sorrows! What a Name"

Isaiah 53:3 says "He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering." Can you imagine being hated by those you love? Can you imagine being beaten, spit on, laughed at, and tortured? Can you imagine then forgiving the people who did that to you?

Jesus did all of this and He did it for you! He went through so much pain, yet He never sinned. He never yelled back or mocked back. He never hit back and ran away.

He endured this suffering because He chose to.

"Hallelujah! What a Savior!"

#347 "The Church's One Foundation"

This hymn speaks of the church like a city with a foundation built on Christ, the Lord. What else do you see the church compared to in verse 1 of this hymn? Verse 2 then tells us how the elect are really one people bound by one holy Name, one holy food, and one hope, even though we are scattered all over the world. Verse 3 tells how the world views the church and describes the hardships we the saints must endure, but then assures us that we, the church, shall never perish!

"Christ Jesus Himself as the Chief Cornerstone."

Ephesians 2:20



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