

Dear Parent/Guardian,

In the church, we are still celebrating Easter. We celebrate until Pentecost. This year Pentecost is May 23. We meet Mary last month, just as she was finding out about being the mother of Jesus. We're skipping ahead to a story that happens after Easter, but before Pentecost. This story involves one of Jesus's closest friends, Peter. Please read together pages 462-465 in the beginner's bible.

A disciple is a person who follows a teacher. This person does what their teacher says to do. Jesus had 12 very close disciples. On Good Friday, some people who were very angry and full of hate killed Jesus. But on Easter Sunday, Jesus rose from the dead. For 50 days after this, Jesus walked around and joined in disciples in eating and talking. Before Peter met Jesus, he was a fisherman.

- I wonder if you have ever tried to do something for a long time without any success?
- I wonder if anyone helped you to be successful?
- I wonder how Peter felt seeing Jesus?
- I wonder if you've ever been so happy to see someone that you stopped what you were doing and ran to them?
- I wonder what Jesus meant when He told Peter "take good care of my people"?
- I wonder if Peter did what Jesus told him to?
- I wonder if someone takes good care of you?
- I wonder if you know how to take good care of someone?

In the packet are some worksheets, coloring pages, and fun crafts.

Family fun: Play the card game, Go Fish. Five cards are dealt from a standard 52-card deck (54 Counting Jokers) to each player, or seven cards if there are three or fewer players. The remaining cards are shared between the players, usually spread out in a disorderly pile referred to as the "ocean" or "pool". The player whose turn it is to play asks another player for their cards of a particular face value. For example, Player A may ask, "Player B, do you have any threes?" Player A must have at least one card of the rank they requested. Player B must hand over all cards of that rank if possible. If they have none, Player B tells Player A to "go fish" (or just simply "fish"), and Player A draws a card from the pool and places it in their own hand. Then it is the next player's turn – unless the card Player A drew is the card they asked for, in which case they show it to the other players, and they get another turn. When any player at any time has four cards of one face value, it forms a book, and the cards must be placed face up in front of that player. Play proceeds to the left. When all sets of cards have been laid down in books, the game ends. The player with the most books wins.

What did Jesus ask the disciples? (Have you caught any fish?) What did you ask others while you were playing the game? What did Jesus help the disciples do? What did others help you do during the game?

Next month we will learn about Paul. The packets will be ready to be handed out at our Ice Cream Social at the church on June 6 at 1pm (rain date is June 13). I'm looking forward to seeing you all there!

There are on-line lessons at <http://stannes-billerica.org/sunday-school-videos/>. These are lessons from the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and not about the people of the bible that we are meeting in our take-home series.

-Brenda Komarinski



Taking Care of your Body

Instructions Circle the pictures that show ways to take care of one's body.

1.



Only eating junk food.



Eating a balanced meal.

2.



Brushing your teeth after meals.



Eating too much candy.

3.



Playing in the dirt.



Taking a bath regularly.

4.



Going to sleep early.



Staying up late.

5.



Being inactive.



Being active.

Taking Care of Others



How else do you care for others?

1. _____

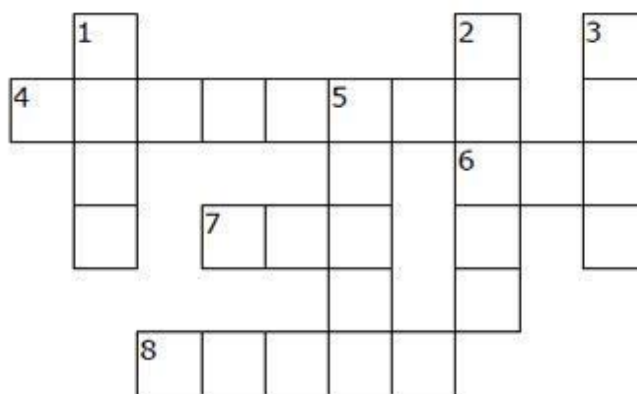
2. _____

3. _____

Breakfast on the Beach

Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. John 21:12 (NIV)

Based on John 21:1-14



ACROSS

4. A follower of Jesus
6. A large body of salt water smaller than an ocean
7. An openwork fabric of cords used to catch fish
8. The land along the edge of an ocean, sea, lake

DOWN

1. An animal which lives in water and is covered with scales
2. The Son of God
3. A small vehicle for traveling on water
5. One of Jesus' disciples, a fisherman

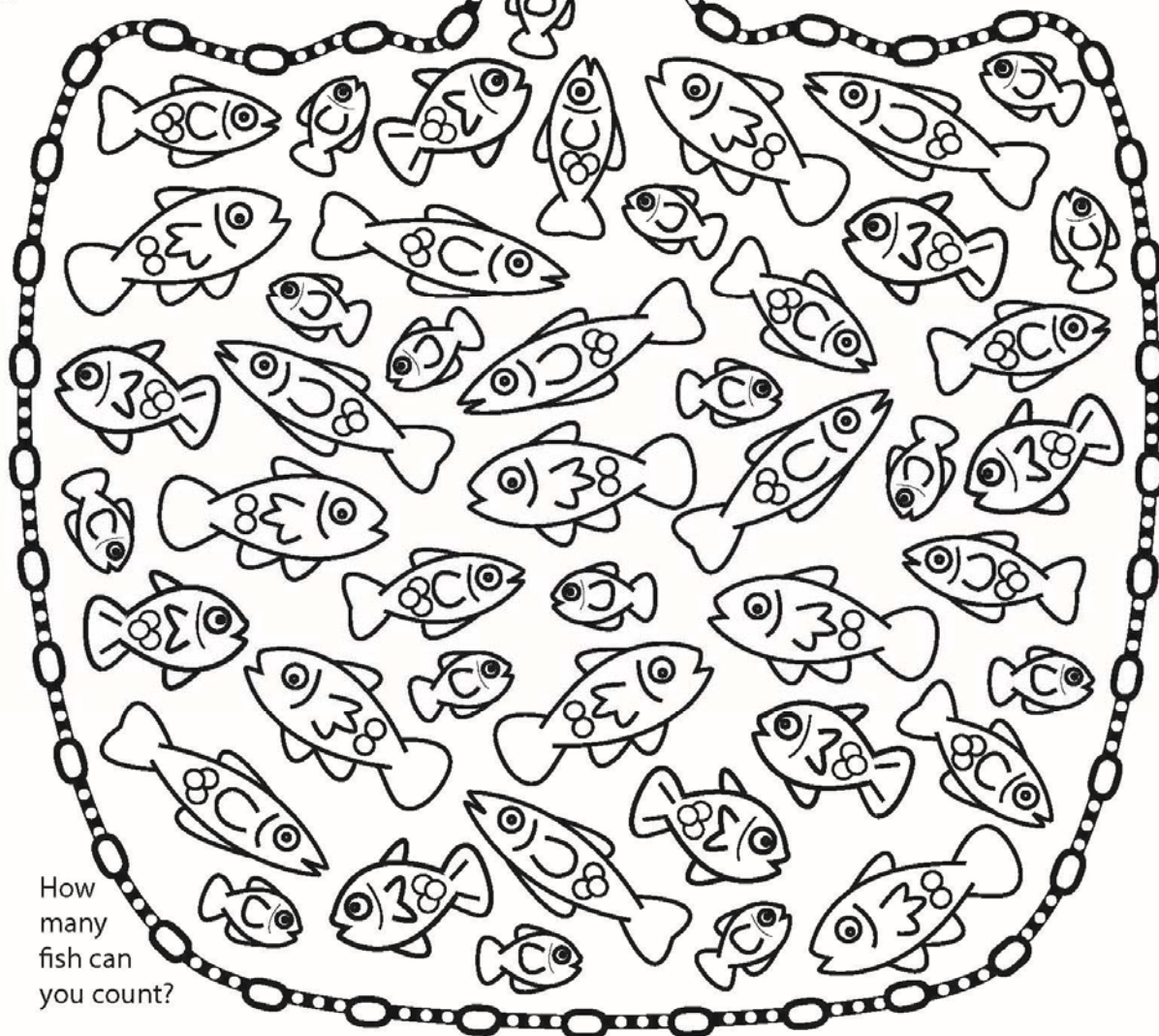
JESUS	SEA	NET	BOAT
SHORE	FISH	PETER	DISCIPLE

The big catch of fish

READ



John 21:1-14



How many fish can you count?

TO MAKE THE MOBILE



Print out the spiral mobile page onto thin card.
(160gsm copy card is suitable)



Colour in the spiral, fish and the boat.



Carefully cut out the boat and the fish along the thicker outer line

To cut the spiral, first cut around the outer edge then, following the thick line, cut along the spiral to the centre and stop at the dot. ●

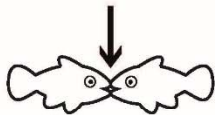


Fold up the centre 'glue' tab along the dotted line.



Glue the 'glue tab' to the *inside* of one side of the boat making sure it is centred and the fish are to the outside.

Glue on the other side of the boat to the back side of the first. The glue tab of the spiral will then be sandwiched in between.

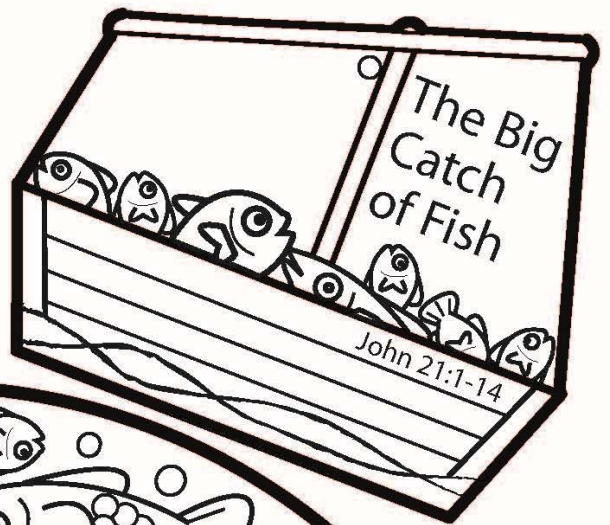


Tie a length of thread around the centre of the two fish then fold and glue together back to back.

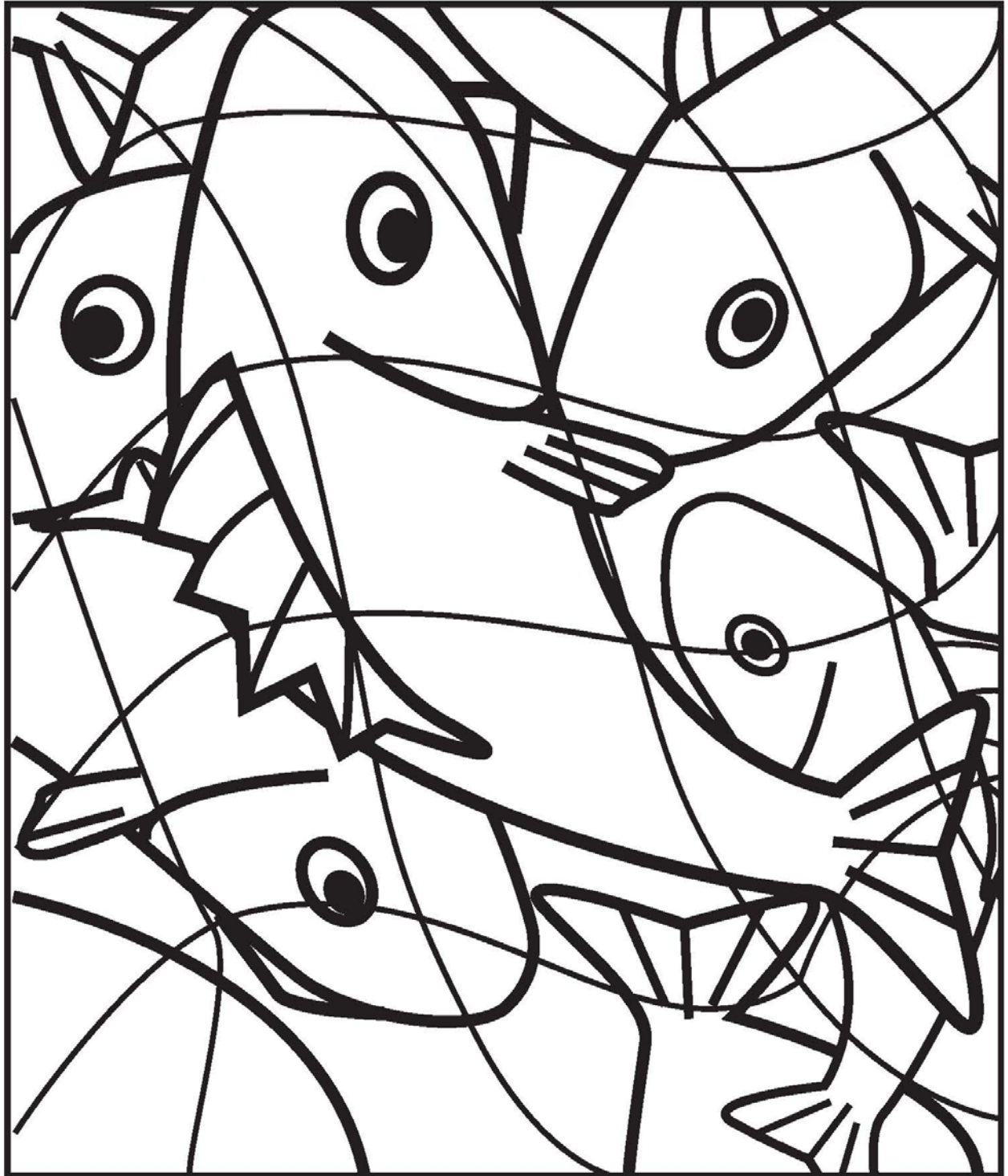
Punch a hole ● in the end of the spiral and tie on the fish leaving about 3cm/1" of thread between the spiral and the fish.

Punch a hole in the top centre of the boat (marked with a O) and tie on a length of thread to hang.





Fish in the Net Coloring Page



Make your own Puzzle! Cut along the net lines after you color it in!