

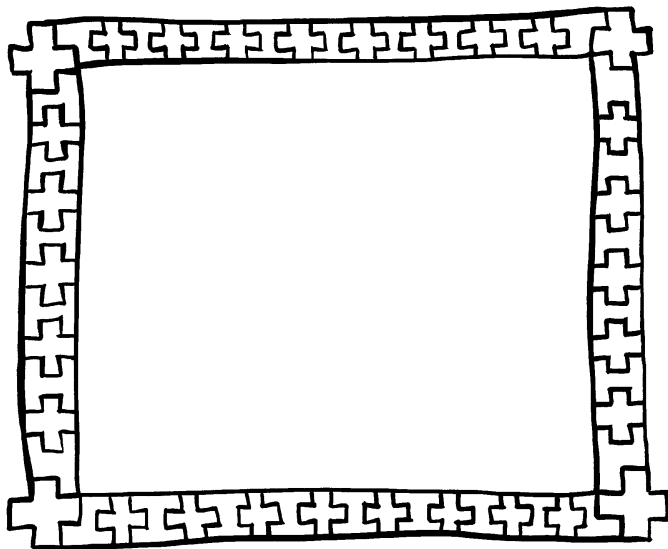
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Cross eyes

How many crosses can you see in your worship place? Look around at others who are worshiping with you. Are any of them wearing a cross? Be sure to count all that you see, large and small. Also include the crosses you find on this bulletin.

I count _____ crosses.

If a cross is carried into worship, the person carrying it is called the crucifer.



Imagine that you are a crucifer for worship. Draw a picture of you carrying the cross.



For giving your life for us, Jesus, we will praise you forever. Amen

This week

Make a tasty breakfast or snack by baking hot cross buns or frosting your favorite rolls with icing in a cross shape.



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Welcome to worship.

The cross is a very important symbol of the Christian church. We have eternal life because Jesus suffered and died on the cross for our sins and because Jesus rose again! Because Jesus lives we can know that we will live with him forever.

SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG,
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FOR HE HAS DONE MARVELOUS THINGS.
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ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH HAVE SEEN
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THE VICTORY OF OUR GOD. *Psalm 98:1, 4*
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Match the symbols to the letters to find out what the church calls September 14:



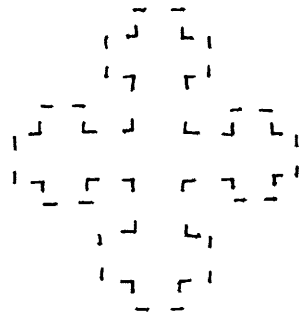
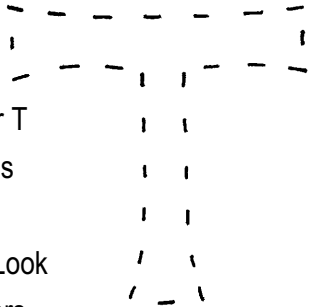
Marked with the cross of Christ

At baptism the pastor traces the symbol of a cross on the forehead of each newly-baptized person saying, "You are marked with the cross of Christ forever."

Trace these crosses with pencil or crayon. Each one has a different name and meaning but they all remind us of the power and wisdom of God.

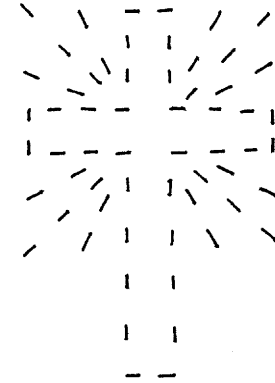
TAU CROSS

This looks like the letter T and reminds us of God's command to Moses in today's First Reading (Look in your Bible for Numbers 21:8-9.)



CROSS CROSSLET

This looks like four little crosses and one big one. We carry the story of Jesus to the four directions of the world: north, south, east, and west.

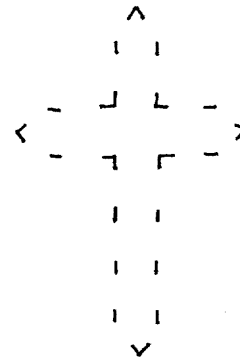
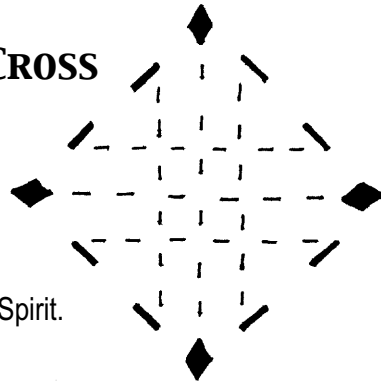


CROSS OF GLORY

Imagine a bright sun with sun rays behind this cross. Jesus' love for us is glorious!

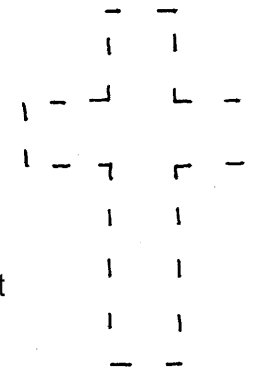
THREE-PART CROSS

Trace three lines in each direction and remember that God is three in one: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



PASSION CROSS

The passion story of Jesus tells about his suffering, death, and resurrection. The pointed ends on this cross remind us of the pointed nails they placed in Jesus' hands and feet.



LATIN CROSS

This is most familiar to us. We trace this cross over each person at baptism.



Trace the sign of the cross in the air with your finger, then on your forehead, then on a family member or friend.