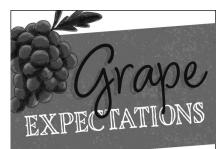


Sunday, April 28, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter



Weekly Sunday Service: 10:00am – 11:00am Join us on Zoom: <u>Click Here</u> Meeting ID: **840 5961 8157** Passcode: C@lvary876



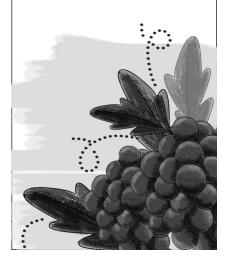
Try this chilly new take on a healthy snack.

What you need:

- 30 grapes, washed and dried
- ½ cup vanilla yogurt
- 4 graham crackers, crushed
- Toothpicks
- Parchment paper

What you do:

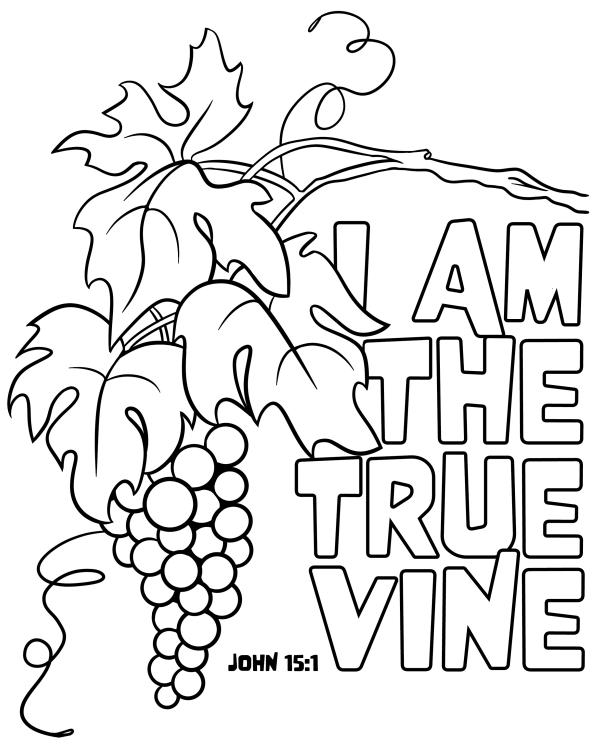
- On a baking sheet lined with parchment paper, arrange grapes in a single layer. Freeze for two hours.
- 2. Insert a toothpick into each grape.
- 3. Dip each grape into the yogurt, coating half of it.
- Roll each dipped grape in the crushed crackers. Place back on the parchment.
- 5. Freeze for two more hours. Enjoy!



Activities for All Ages

Just for he true vine In a vineyard, the vine gives life to the branches, which, in turn, produce the grapes. Follow the puzzle directions below to learn about our special relationship with Jesus, our true vine. Directions: Circle every other letter and then write them in order on the lines below. DbasmLtrhgecvdienfegyhoiujaK, vfFlisseuhtcInsaRrqbpeohntMe wmxavnZraeAmbaCidnesFifnmmne cbalLlrigwfeohbmmilhknjiJlidQ daerfmguhcChdfDrEueijt apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5. NIV

Answer: "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit,"



PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Look, here is water! Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

LITURGY OF THE WORD

GATHERING SONG

ELW 453 Baptized and Set Free vs. 1, 3 & 4

GREETING

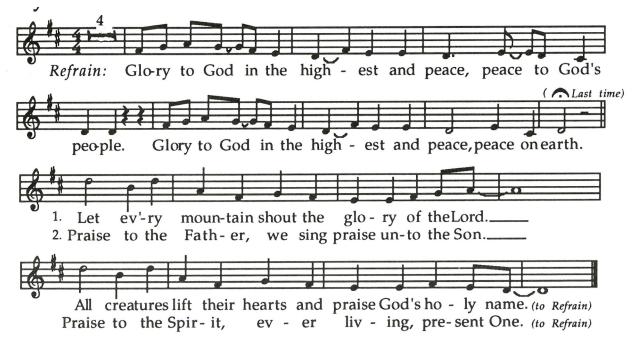
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.



Cantor: For your parting gift of peace, oh Lord we pray Cong: **A---men.**

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray:

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

YOUTH MESSAGE

FIRST READING

Acts 8:26-40

An angel of God spoke to Philip and said, "Be ready to set out at noon along the road that goes to Gaza, the desert road." So Philip began his journey. It happened that an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official in charge of the entire treasury of Candace, the ruler of Ethiopia, had come to Jerusalem on a pilgrimage and was returning home. He was sitting in his carriage and reading the prophet Isaiah. The Spirit said to Philip, "Go up and meet that carriage." When Philip ran up, he heard the eunuch reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?"

"How can I," the eunuch replied, "unless someone explains it to me?" With that, he invited Philip to get in the carriage with him. This was the passage of scripture being read:

"You are like a sheep being led to slaughter,

you are like a lamb that is mute in front of its shearers:

like them, you never open your mouth.

You have been humiliated and have no one to defend you.

Who will ever talk about your descendants,

since your life on earth has been cut short?"

The eunuch said to Philip, "Tell me, if you will, about whom the prophet is talking – himself or someone else?" So Philip proceeded to explain the Good News about Jesus to him. Further along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, there is some water right there. Is there anything to keep me from being baptized?" He ordered the carriage to stop; then Philip and the eunuch both went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came out of the water, the Spirit of God snatched Philip away; the eunuch didn't see him anymore, and went on his way rejoicing. Philip found himself at Ashdod next, and he went about proclaiming the Good News in all the towns, until he came to Caesarea.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM Psalm 22:25-31

You are the theme of my praise in the Great Assembly, and I will fulfill my vows in the presence of your worshipers.

Those who are poor will eat and be satisfied, those who seek you will give you praise — long life to their hearts! The whole earth, from one end to the other, will remember and come back to you; all the families of the nations will bow down to you.

For yours is the kindom,

you Ruler of nations!

Those who had feasted and devoured the poor – now they'll bow down; the most affluent in the land will kneel before you.

They all go down to the dust and none can keep themselves alive.

But my children will be faithful to you,

and they will be told about YHWH for generations to come. They will come and proclaim your justice to a people yet to be: "All this YHWH has done!"

SECOND READING 1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten of God and has knowledge of God. Those who do not love have known nothing of God, for God is love. God's love was revealed in our midst in this way: by sending the Only Begotten into the world, that we might have faith through the Anointed One. Love, then, consists in this: not that we have loved God, but that God has loved us and has sent the Only Begotten to be an offering for our sins. Beloved, if God has loved us so, we must have the same love for one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet if we love one another, God dwells in us, and God's love is brought to perfection in us.

The way we know that we remain in God and God in us is that we have been given the Spirit. We have seen for ourselves and can testify that God has sent the Only Begotten as Savior of the world. When any acknowledge that Jesus is the Only Begotten, God dwells in them and they in God. We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God in them. Love will come to perfection in us when we can face the day of judgment without fear – because our relation to this world is just like Christ's. There is no fear in love, for perfect love drives out fear. To fear is to expect punishment, and anyone who is afraid is still imperfect in love. We love because God first loved us. If you say you love God but hate your sister or brother, you are a liar. For you cannot love God, whom you have not seen, if you hate your neighbor, whom you have seen. If we love God, we should love our sisters and brothers as well; we have this commandment from God.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL READING

John 15:1-8

[Jesus said:] "I am the true vine, and my Abba is the vine grower who cuts off every branch in me that doesn't bear fruit, but prunes the fruitful ones to increase their yield. You've been pruned already, thanks to the word that I have spoken to you. Live on in me, as I do in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit of itself apart from the vine, neither can you bear fruit apart from me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who live in me and I in them will bear abundant fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. Those who don't live in me are like withered, rejected branches, to be picked up and thrown on the fire and burned. If you live on in me, and my words live on in you, ask whatever you want and it will be done for you. My Abba will be glorified if you bear much fruit and thus prove to be my disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 447 O Blessed Spring vs. 1, 2 & 5

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of grace, hear our prayer.

Prayer List					
We Pray for Those Especially:					
Jim Bany	Shelley Kubik	We keep in prayer the			
Bette Carlisle	Rik Mayfield	family and friends of			
Kim Cawrse	Jann Patton	Sheralyn Clark			
Shirley Clergy	Kourtney Peterson	Gary Krahmer			
Betty Dendinger	Edie & John Pyle				
Carol Dougall	Betty Shannon				
Gail Nagel Erickson	Diana Thompson				
Wayne Godaire					

*** If you would like a name added to the Prayer List, let the church office know. Names will be removed from the list after a month, unless you tell us to keep them on. Thank you.***

PASSING OF THE PEACE The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

LITURGY OF THE HOLY TABLE

OFFERING HYMN



OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

(Please stand as you are able)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,... we praise your name, saying:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORD'S OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Shepherding God,

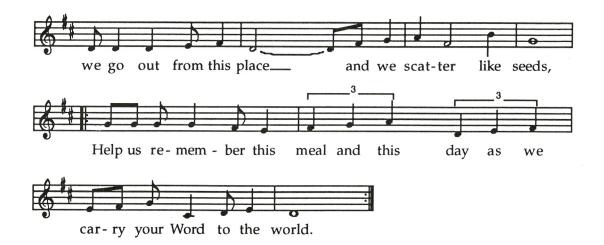
you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING (Stand as you are able)



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DISMISSAL Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Special Thanks to Those Who Served Today

Preacher and Presider: Pastor Rachel Kramer Worship Assistant: Dave Moore Lector: Kayla Iiams Altar Guild: Dina Moore Usher: Dina Moore Flowers: The Rabons Coffee Hour Hosts: The Rabons



The Not-So-Youth Group Come As Your Are!

You are invited to a bi-monthly gathering to share in food, games and conversation. This is a space for all, no matter your faith background; this is just a space to be together in community. So come, have some food, have some fun and be just who you are!

The next Gathering is May 8 at 6 pm

Last Week's	Calvary General Fund Financial Report			
Attendance		March 2024	YTD 2024	
In-Person: 27	Income	\$15,098.92	\$35,218.49	
Zoom: 8	Expenses	\$14,019.46	\$41,337.38	
	(+/-)	\$1,079.46	(\$6,118.89)	
See What's Happening This Week at Calvary				
Sunday, April 28—5th Sunday of Easter				
10:00 am	Worship In-person & Zoom – Sanctuary			
11:30 am	Bible Study—Library			
2:00 pm	Life Center Pentecostal Worship – Sanctuary			
	Nueva Vida Worship—Sanctuary			
4:00 pm	Nueva Vida Worship—S	Sanctuary		
4:00 pm Monday, April 29	Nueva Vida Worship—S	Sanctuary		
Monday, April 29	·	·	Jarv	
Monday, April 29 7:00 pm	·	Sanctuary Music Rehearsal - Sanct	Jary	
Monday, April 29	·		Jary	
Monday, April 29 7:00 pm	Life Center Pentecostal		Jary	

Thursday, May 2		
6:00 pm	Nueva Vida Prayer Service	
6:30 pm	Women's AA – Fellowship Hall	
Friday, May 3		
6:30 pm	TGIF AA Meeting	
Saturday, May 4		
9:00 am	Quilting and Knitting	
1:00 pm	Bike Blessing	
3:30 pm	Nueva Vida Music Practice	
Sunday, May 5—6th Sunday of Easter		
10:00 am	Worship In-person & Zoom – Sanctuary	
11:30 am	Bible Study—Library	
2:00 pm	Life Center Pentecostal Worship – Sanctuary	
4:00 pm	Nueva Vida Worship—Sanctuary	