

DAY FOUR

God makes a home with us all by design, and it is very good!

John 1:14 "And the Word became flesh and lived among us."



“Wow! I thought there were a lot of breeds of **horses**, but check out all these ‘different by design’ **chickens!**!”

Poultry Breeds from Paintings by Paul Chapman©

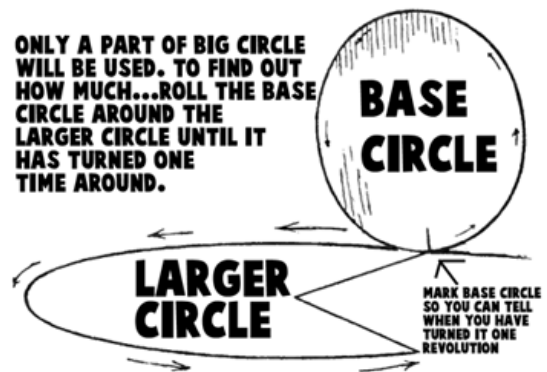


Tent/Teepee Bird Feeder – Make a place birds to dwell and eat - it is very good!

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WHAT YOU NEED:

- A paper plate
- 1 sheet of card stock or construction paper
- Pen, Markers, stickers
- Something like a sauce pot, pot lid, or bottom of a plate with which to trace a circle about 4 inches in diameter on the paper plate, and a larger circle on the card stock
- Small stick – 4 – 5 inches long
- Scissors and tape
- Piece of mulch that is flat
- Bird food – seeds, berries, plain cheerios
- String, twine or a pipe cleaner



WHAT YOU DO:

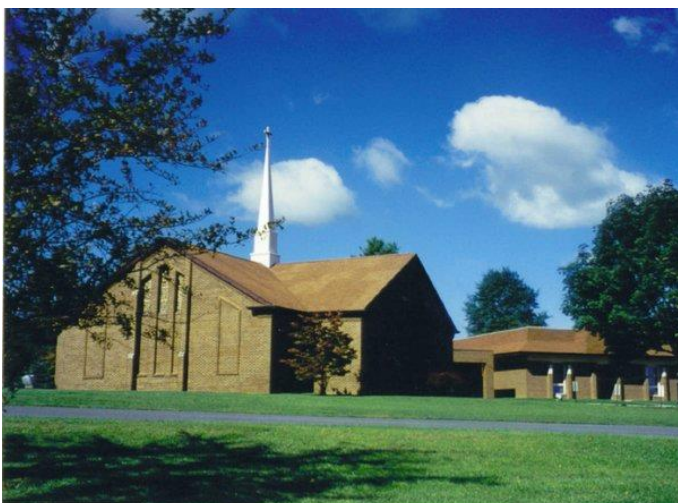
On the paper plate, trace a circle, approximately 4" in diameter. Cut the circle out. Draw a larger circle, using whatever template you can find (I used a sauce pot lid) on the piece of card stock or construction paper. Cut it out. Take the smaller circle, and put a small pen mark on the outside edge. Place the smaller circle using the pen mark as your starting point on the circumference of the larger circle. Mark your beginning point on the larger circle. Roll the smaller circle around the circumference of the large circle until you have made one full revolution. Mark the ending point on the large circle. Draw two lines – one from the first pen mark to the center of the circle, and one from the second pen mark to the center of the circle. Cut out this portion of the circle, adding tabs as you cut to fold down along the perimeter, and decorate it with any artwork or stickers you have. Fold this piece into a cone, and fit it onto the circumference of the small circle. Fold the tabs underneath, and tape them. Cut a hole for the door. Tape or glue your piece of mulch outside the door as a perch. Take your twig, and cutting a hole in the center of the floor, stick it through the middle of the tent. Tie your string or your pipe cleaner onto the top of the stick. Hang the tent from a tree branch, and place your bird food inside.

Fun Tent/Teepee Facts

- The word tipi originates from the Lakota language and the word “*thípi*,” which is often translated to mean “they dwell.” Today, you may see it spelled as tipi, tepee, or teepee, but each is referring to the same type of structure.
- A number of Native American tribes, largely known as the Plains Indians in North America, have a long history of constructing tipis for family dwellings, and sometimes for ceremonial purposes. The structures were especially important among individuals belonging to the Lakota, Pawnee, Arapahoe, Kiowah, and Cheyenne tribes.
- The tipi was more than just a dwelling to the people who built them. They represented many things: a home, protection from the elements, community, and a sacred space.
- Bedding was placed along the floor, with personal possessions arrayed along the walls, or between sleeping spaces. Sometimes, men and women would be segregated into different sides of the tipi for sleeping, and for sitting.
- The structure itself was held very sacred. The floor of a tipi would be in the shape of a circle, which symbolized how everything in the world is connected. The floor space itself represented the earth, while the soaring walls represented the sky.
- The outside of the tipi may have been decorated or painted to show ancestors, spirits, battles, or other symbolic designs. Not every tipi would have been painted or embroidered in this way.



You can make your own tent with just a sheet or blanket and a table! Keep it simple and have some fun hiding away on your own or with your family. Flashlights optional!



BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Bethel was founded in 1820 (yes, 2020 is our 200th anniversary!) by a group of German Lutherans who migrated to the Shenandoah Valley from Pennsylvania. Bethel is a part of the Virginia Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

We're Glad God Has Brought You Here!

Our Mission Statement:

A community growing deeper in faith and wider in love! (Ephesians 3: 16-17)

Our Vision Statement:

- **Prayer** (I Thessalonians 5: 16-17)
- **Worship** (Genesis 2:3)
- **Read the Bible** (2 Timothy 3:16)
- **Serve** others (John 13: 3-8)
- **Relate** spiritually in authentic relationships (Matthew 26:17-30)
- **Give** of ourselves, our time, and our possessions to the building up of God's Kingdom (Luke 19: 1-10)

We embrace the Marks of Discipleship as the pathway to spiritual maturity

Who are Bethel Lutherans? At Bethel, **all are welcome** and you'll find a friendly and open community here. We pray that our time together will fill you with a sense of hope and peace. Whether you are a one-time guest or may be considering making Bethel your church

home, we believe you will find a congregation who loves Jesus, loves each other, and loves participating in Jesus' shenanigans of grace, mercy, hope and love.

Our worship includes traditional music, praise music, sacred music, formal liturgy, and less formal liturgy. We like to call what we offer here at Bethel *No Labels* worship! Our worship ensemble loves to praise Jesus and because we have been blessed with so many talented musicians and singers, we have simply decided to use them all — to the glory of God!

We offer the sacrament of Holy Communion weekly and print each service entirely in our bulletin. We worship at 9:30 am every Sunday. You'll see people in everything from jeans to dresses and shorts to suits. Wear what you would feel comfortable wearing. We are excited to have you, as you!

Children at Worship

Infants and young children are welcome at worship! We encourage families with young children to sit near the front of the church so they can fully participate. We invite you to pick up a Children's Worship Bag at either of the two entryways to the sanctuary.

Professional child care for children on Sunday mornings from 8:15 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. Our well-trained nursery staff is eager to welcome young children! Using the nursery gives parents the ability to be attentive to the Word of God and it gives an active young child the opportunity to interact with peers, and to enjoy the friendly atmosphere of attending church. Please see an usher for assistance.

Sunday School

We offer Sunday School for all ages from September through May, starting at 10:45 a.m. Newcomers and guests are most welcome and encouraged to join us. We offer vibrant child and youth education with loving and caring teachers for preschoolers through high school. Our middle school and high school youth have their own area — the Underground! Their time together includes meaningful conversation, always filled with laughs, and often overflowing with youth who are learning to love Jesus and serve the world in their own unique and special way.

For adults, Pastor Dave offers an Adult Forum (held in our Discipleship Hall) that addresses many different topics and issues related to the faith. At times, we will have guest speakers who broaden our learning experience. Periodically, other leaders in the congregation will also offer additional adult classes as well (i.e. parenting classes, other Bible studies).

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Bethel will begin offering in-person outdoor worship on Sunday, July 14. We will do so each 2ND and 4TH Sundays of the month through September (perhaps longer). On the other Sundays, we will offer online worship on Facebook, YouTube, and via our website (Live Worship).

Masks are required and social distancing will be observed. Please bring your own lawn chair or blanket.

We would love to welcome you soon and thank you for joining in some VBS fun as we discover God's wondrously designed creation.

In Christ,

Pastor Dave

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