

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

YEAR B

Jesus is our great teacher





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#### Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

- 1. Talk about a teacher you liked and respected. What did you learn from him or her?
- 2. Read Mark 1:21-28. Why do you think people were amazed at Jesus' teaching?
- 3. What do you find amazing about Jesus? What do you wish to learn from Jesus?



#### BIBLE READINGS

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week. Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

- S Mark 1:21-28 Jesus casts out an evil spirit
- M Deuteronomy 18:15-20 The Lord promises a prophet
- T 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Love builds up others
- W Matthew 7:24-29Jesus teaches with authorityTJohn 14:23-31Obeying Jesus' teaching
- Joshua 1:6-9The Lord speaks to Joshua
- S Psalm 111 Praise for God's wonderful works

# VERSE OF THE WEEK

They were amazed at his teaching, for he taught them with real authority, quite unlike the teachers of religious law.



# **CREATIVE RESPONSE**

Take time this week to remember students. Use this prayer to pray for those in your household.

Heavenly Father, be with \_\_\_\_\_\_ in his/her studies.

Keep \_\_\_\_\_\_ safe from anything that would harm him/her in body, mind or spirit.

Help \_\_\_\_\_\_ to gain enjoyment from learning and to learn well.

Help \_\_\_\_\_\_to be happy at school and to have good friendships.

Help \_\_\_\_\_\_ to show your love to others at school and to do what is right.

And help \_\_\_\_\_\_ to remember that you are with him/her every day, whatever happens; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Lord, without food we'd go unfed. Thank you for our daily bread. Amen.





### ACTION RESPONSE

Make it a focus of your home prayer time this week to pray for teachers and leaders in schools and churches. Think of a teacher you are thankful for, write them a letter or send them a card of encouragement.



## BLESSING

May God teach you his ways. May you learn of his love and grace and live in it always.