



Mt. Calvary Messenger

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EASTER CHANGES EVERYTHING!

A Sunday School teacher was quizzing her class about the creation story. "What did God create on the first day?" She asked. A student immediately gave her the correct answer. "What did God create on the second day?" Again, a student responded with the correct answer. "What happened on the third day?" One little child, shining with enthusiasm, exclaimed, "He rose from the dead!"

Because of Easter, the Bible can never be read and understood in the way it had before Christ defeated the power of sin and death. Have you ever noticed that? Take the 23rd Psalm for instance. "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever!" Because of the resurrection, to read the verse is to open a box of jewels. Each word sparkles and begs to be examined in the face of our terminal lives. The words come alive with hope and anticipation: *goodness, mercy, all the days, dwell in the house of the Lord, forever*. They sweep in on our insecurities and fears like a SWAT team on terrorists!

Look at the first word: *surely*. David didn't say, "Maybe goodness and mercy shall follow me." He believed in a sure God, who makes sure promises and provides a sure foundation. And what follows the word *surely*? "*Goodness and mercy*," If the Lord is the shepherd who leads the flock, goodness and mercy are the two sheepdogs that guard the rear of the flock. Goodness and mercy....not goodness alone, for we are sinners and we need mercy. Not mercy alone, for we are fragile, in need of goodness. We need them both. As one man wrote, "Goodness to supply every want. Mercy to forgive every sin. Goodness to provide. Mercy to pardon."

What a huge statement! Look at the size of it! Goodness and mercy follow the child of God each and every day! Think of the days that lie ahead. We don't know what they will bring, but God will be at your side. Days in a dead-end job? He will walk you through. Days of loneliness? He will take your hand. "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all (not some, not most, not nearly), all the days of my life."

And what will he do during those days? He will "follow you." What a surprising way to describe God. But isn't this the kind of God we find throughout the Bible? Adam and Eve could tell you about it. After falling into sin they hid themselves. Does God wait for them to come to him? No! He goes out to find them.

Moses can tell you about it. He was forty years in the desert when he looked over his shoulder and saw a blazing bush. God had followed him into the wilderness. The disciples of Jesus knew the feeling of being followed by God. They were rain-soaked and shivering when they looked over their shoulders and saw Jesus walking toward them on the water. God had followed them into a storm!

Peter had denied his Lord and gone back fishing, when he heard his name, looked over his shoulder, and saw Jesus cooking breakfast. God had followed him in spite of his denial and failure. Because of Christ's Easter victory the ever-pursuing God is determined to follow us with all that we need until he finally leads us to our heavenly home to live with him forever!

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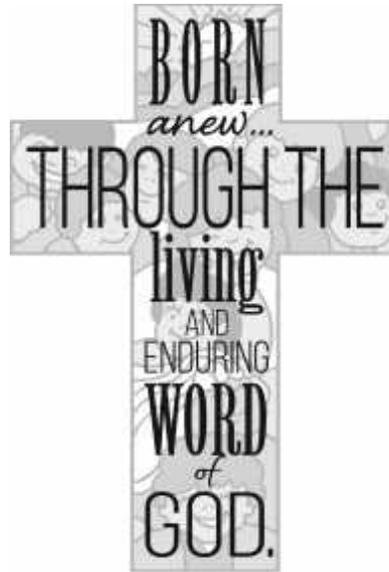
STEWARDSHIP

Easter is a moveable feast. Easter isn't on the same calendar date every year in the way that Christmas is always celebrated on December 25. The date for Easter each year always falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring equinox. And once you find the date of Easter, everything else finds its place—Good Friday and Maundy Thursday, Ash Wednesday and the Transfiguration, the Ascension of our Lord and Pentecost.

All this is a long way of saying that Easter determines everything. Easter defines everything. It orders not only the entire church year, but it orders our very lives. It defines and gives meaning to our lives, as well to the things that happen in them. And since Easter defines everything, that means it changes everything too. It redefines who we are and where we stand with God and with one another. Easter makes all things new.

Without Easter, Jesus would not be raised from the dead. Without Easter death would still reign, we would still be in our trespasses and sins, and our faith and hope would be in vain. But Jesus is raised from the dead. Easter changes everything. It makes all

things new. Therefore, darkness is overcome with light, wrath with peace, fear with hope, angst with rest, sadness with joy, hatred with love, sin with righteousness, and death with life.



1 PETER 1:23, NRSV

Easter changes everything, redefines everything, determines everything. Easter makes all things new.

Thus, Easter also changes our attitude about giving. For if God gave us His own Son into death so that we will live, how will He not give us everything else we need? He will, and He does. He provides for us. He even gives us the gifts that we give back to

Him for service in the church. Easter demonstrates that we have a God who loves us, a God who provides for us, a God who presses us into His service, a God who has made us new in the death and resurrection of His Son.

For when you give to the church, you pass along those things that God alone has given to you. You pass along the message to others that Easter changes everything and makes all things new, even as it has done this for you. This is not a burden, but pure joy. For God has given you a part in the administration of His kingdom. He provides for the needy through your hands. He ensures that the Gospel is preached and the Sacraments are given out through the work of your hands and in the gifts that you give. And He honors and blesses this work and generosity as it redounds to those around you.

So when you sit down on the first day of the week to make your offering to the place where Easter is proclaimed and where the gifts of Easter are given out, remember: Easter changes everything. It makes all things new. More than that: Easter has changed you and made you new. Because Jesus who was crucified for our transgressions is raised for our justification.

Wednesday Lenten Service at 11:00 AM: April 5th

Palm Sunday, Sunday, April 9th at 9 AM

Maundy Thursday Service, April 13th at 7 PM

(Stripping of the altar, Holy Communion)

Good Friday Service, April 14th at 11 AM & 7 PM (Tenebrae service)

EASTER SUNDAY, April 16th at 6:00 a.m. (with communion) and 9:00 a.m.



The Mary Martha Guild Minute



Mary Martha
Guild

APRIL

April 3rd

Fellowship Time - 6:30 PM

Devotion & Business Meeting - 7:00 PM

Pantry Item

Syrup or Jelly

Hostesses

Lee Herbrich, Jeanette Huelsebusch & Nancy Lehmann

Mite Prayer

Lee Herbrich

Projects/Activities

Completing, Packing & Shipping of Lutheran World Relief

Ingathering , Lenten Lunch - April 5, Complete Preparations & Host LWML =Post Oak Zone Spring Zone Rally

Birthdays:

(13) Tina Bretting (25) Lisa Qualman

Anniversaries:

(15) Donna Kappler

Everyone is invited to attend Guild Meetings in the Multipurpose Room on the first Monday of each month (except July & December). All volunteers and support of our projects are greatly appreciated. Contact our Member Development Committee - Karen Fitch or any Guild member or feel free to call the Church Office at 968-3938 for more information.

The meeting was opened with a devotion from Keith Lund. The meeting was then called to order by President Willie Ahlschlager at the BBQ Pavilion. Roll call was answered by 27 members.



Minutes from the regular meeting of February 6, 2017 had been emailed to the members and had been printed in the church newsletter. The minutes were approved. Dr. Randy Albers presented the Treasurer's Report and reported a Lutheran Hour Fund balance of -\$22.21, a General Fund balance of \$7,856.25 and an ending bank balance of \$7,834.04. The treasurer's report was approved. Dr. Albers thanked James Lehmann and Dennis Winkler for auditing the books for the Men's Club. James Herbrich made a motion to approve the audit and seconded by Keith Lund.

Donald Roensch made a motion, seconded by Charles Koepke, to vote Gary Johnson and son Michael Johnson in as new members. They were placed on cooking Team 6.

Harold Streicher made a motion to accept old minutes, seconded by James H.

Willie thanked Nick Hensley and Glenn Polasek for donated the pipe for the fire pit and Blake Koether for cutting and installing. He also thanked August Pietsch for arranging the wood splitting party.

Dr. Albers made a motion to purchase a deer stand for the Church Picnic seconded by James H. Willie made a motion to donate \$500 to the Church raffle drawing during the picnic, Daniel Fischer seconded. Larry Faldyn made a motion to loan the church \$2500 for the Church raffle drawing with reimbursement to be made after tickets are sold.

Justin Hollek informed the members that the Preschool is looking to host a Spring Fling for the Preschool put on by the teachers. Dr. Albers made a motion to donate \$100 to this event, seconded by Keith L.

Schedule was placed for the Saturday before the Pork Steak Meal. We will need volunteers to Cut potatoes and onions, cook bacon and season meat. This will begin at 1:00 at the pavilion. Team 2 will prepare a meal afterwards. Blake K., Willie and Ricky Herbrich will light the fire at 5:00am with other members arriving at 5:30am.

The next regular meeting of the Men's Club will be held on Monday April 3rd, 2017 starting at 6:30 PM and social following at 7:00 with a meal provided by Team 3. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned, and the members enjoyed fellowship and meal served by Team 1.

By Justin Hollek, Secretary

OUR MEMBERS IN THE NEWS!

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To celebrate the 44th anniversary of the Signing of the Vietnam Peace Accord in January, 1973, the VFW Post No. 5254 and VFW Auxiliary honored 21 Vietnam veterans who are members of VFW Post 5254 in La Grange. All present received an individualized citation thanking them for their service. Prior to the February meeting, a beef stew meal furnished by the VFW was enjoyed and several desserts were served by the VFW Auxiliary. Pictured kneeling in front from left are: Ramon Jimenez, Randy Fillet and John Marburger; back row: Tommy Swearingen, Lawrence Heinrich, Erwin Sladek, Dick Peck, James Wessels, Bill Pyie, Robert Pavlik, Joe Kruppa, Eddy Gray, Calvin Kuehn, and Andy Kruppa. Not able to attend were Calvin Dockery, Allen Faldyn, Bruce Gispanski, Bill Koenig, Ed Matocha, Harvey Moerbe and Donald Moon.



Social Studies: Front Row: Seventh Grade - Travis Stokes (4th place), John Pineiro (3rd place). Eighth Grade: Back row - Bryssa Rios (4th place), Caleb Arthur (2nd place), David Krupala (4th place, not pictured). Sponsor: Mr. Dooley.



Garland and Stell Midgett, Apryl Kappler and Annie Kappler at the Phi Theta Kappa induction ceremony held recently at Blinn College.



LGISD Middle School Makes Donation

The La Grange Middle School Student Council hosted a fundraiser/drive for the Gardenia E. Janssen Animal Shelter collecting items for everyday use at the shelter. The students came to volunteer their time and donate their items collected Saturday, Feb. 18. Pictured from left: Katherine Karstedt, Heath Henson, Ryann Marshall, Rory Halpain, David Krupala, AJ Garza, Makenzie Givan, Hannah Sanchez, Eli Blasig, Baillie Powell (Gardenia E. Janssen Animal Shelter Animal Care Tech) and Remy (Gardenia E. Janssen Animal Shelter Mascot).

For Your Information

Thank you for your continued donations to help provide food for families in the La Grange area in need of assistance. Items such as cereal, canned fruit, fruit juices, canned vegetables, canned meats/tuna, soups, complete pancake mix, syrup, jelly, baby food are always appreciated. Please check to make sure the "Use By" date of the item has not expired. For additional information, contact Stell Midgett, 247-4703 or 966-2319. **NOTE: Mt. Calvary volunteers will staff the Food Pantry on Monday, April 10, 9:00 – 11:00 am, and on Thursday, April 13, 1:00-3:00 pm.**



Youth Movie Night is Saturday, April 8th, at the Claude home (628 N. Monroe) from 6:30—9:45 PM with dinner. Sloppy Joes per special request this time! Hope to see all youth, and friends are invited!



"AN AFTERNOON WITH THE CLASSICS" Sunday, April 30, 2017 at 2 o'clock PM in the Historic Faison Home, with Miles Gillette-Bockhorn on the piano accompanied by Mr. John Dujka, performing Mozart, Bach, Chopin, Jaydn, Dohnanyi and Debussy. Tickets available from the Faison Preservation Society, P. O. Box 681, La Grange, Texas. For more information contact Joy Bily @ 352-422-1695 or Arnold Romberg @ 979-968-9416. All proceeds to be used for the preservation of the Historic Faison Home.

Charles Hebert is a docent at Monument Hill and Kreische Brewery State Historical Sites, doing historical research for the park. He is in need of someone with a boat who would be willing to spend about 3 hours on the river, near the park, while they try to locate some old ferry landing sites. If you would be willing to help, please contact Charles at CRAHebert@yahoo.com!



We will again be holding a RAFFLE in conjunction with our annual May Picnic and Auction. We hope to have 15 prizes: one \$2,500 gift card, one \$1,000 gift card, three \$500 gift cards, and ten \$100 gift cards. Members are being asked to sponsor one or more of these 15 prizes. The sponsors' names will be listed on the raffle ticket next to the prize(s) they choose to donate (or you may remain anonymous.) The deadline to sponsor a prize is April 10th. Contact the church office if you'd like to sponsor one of the prizes or donate any amount towards a prize. Your money should be turned in to the church office by April 10th.

If you have an UPCOMING GRADUATE (high school OR college), please contact the office at 979-968-3938 or email secretary@mtcalvary-lcms.org so that they might be honored in May.



THE MT CALVARY MARY MARTHA GUILD WILL HOST THE LWML TEXAS DISTRICT POST OAK ZONE SPRING RALLY on Sunday, April 23rd with registration beginning at 1:30. Guest speaker for the event is Keith Lund, Executive Director of Lutheran Outdoor Ministries & Camp Lone Star. His topic will be "Love Lives Through Outdoor Ministry". The theme for the Rally is "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 23:25



The Lutheran Women's Missionary League was organized seventy five years ago and the Post Oak Zone consists of fourteen societies located at Trinity, Dime Box, Trinity, Fedor, Immanuel Dorcas, Immanuel Friendship, Giddings, Mary Martha, Mt. Calvary, La Grange, St. James, Lexington, St. John, Lincoln, Christ, Loebau, Ebenezer, Manheim, Zion, Schulenburg, St. Paul, Serbin, Grace, Smithville, Holy Cross, Warda and St. Michael, Winchester.

Come, bring a friend and enjoy the fellowship of Christian women desiring to serve the Lord. At the close attendances prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be served.

DECORATION DAY 2017

Decoration Day at the Mt. Calvary Cemetery located on the Old Plum Highway will be observed at 2:30 PM on Sunday, April 30th. Everyone is invited to attend. Please bring a lawn chair for your comfort. The cemetery grounds have been groomed to welcome families and friends, especially with the removal of the fallen mighty oak that once shaded members of Trinity Hill Lutheran Church at their church festivals and other events.

The Cemetery Committee is pleased to announce that a map of the Mt. Calvary Section of the cemetery has been completed with the assistance of Absolute Land Surveying Ltd with offices at Plum. The Committee is very grateful for their assistance.

The Mt. Calvary Section rests on a portion of the original three acres of land purchased in 1892 by the Trinity Hill Lutheran Church. At the time of purchase, the east two acres were set aside for the parsonage, a small barn, pasture and garden for the church's pastor and the remaining one acre was used for the church and cemetery and is now identified as the Trinity Hill Section. The Trinity Hill Section also includes approximately 1/2 acre that had been purchased for its expansion.

After the Establishment of Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in 1962, the two acre tract was sold to Rev. Ludwig and Gertrude Karcher for residential purposes. The Karchers later gave this property to their children who in turn sold it to Donella Dopslauf Pantel, who then sold it to Donald and Dorothy Moerbe. In 2008, the Moerbes sold the two acres to Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church with intent that it be used for Cemetery Purposes.

Dennis and Marlene Schnell are now the groundskeepers for the Cemetery. They also manage the sale of burial plots and serve as contacts when burials occur. For information, feel free to contact Marlene at 979-966-2208 or the church office at 979-968-3938.

Easter's Dawn



New Members:

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On the third day, the friends of Christ coming at daybreak ... found the grave empty and the stone rolled away. In varying ways they realized the new wonder; but even they hardly realized that the world had died in the night. What they were looking at was the first day of a new creation, with a new heaven and a new earth; and in a semblance of the gardener, God walked again in the garden, in the cool not of the evening but of the dawn.

—G.K. Chesterton

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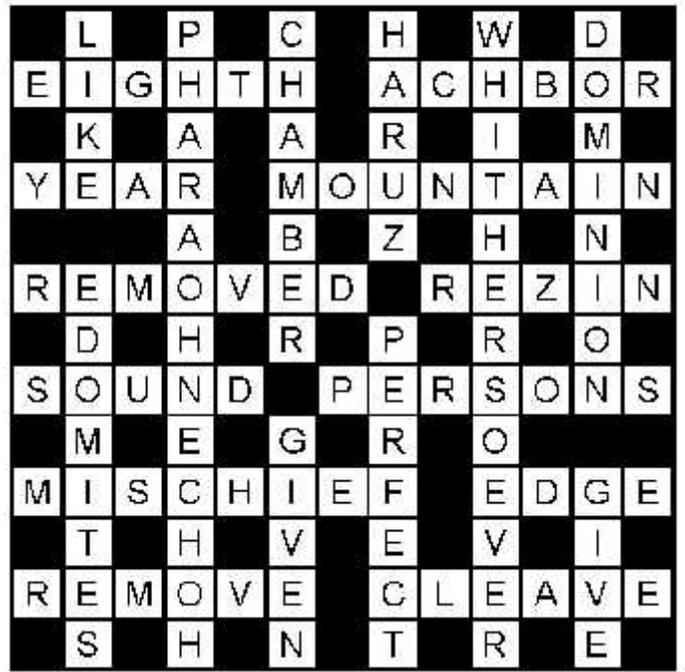
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Jason Lehmann
 13401 Legendary Dr, Apt. 8103
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On March 4th the Mt Calvary Men's Club had a wood splitting work day. There was a total of 14 people, 11 adults and 3 young adults. With 3 gas wood splitters, the work was completed in about 1 ½ hours. God was with us, as He held off the rain till we finished. Thanks everyone for the help!

2 Kings Crossword Puzzle Answers



LWR QUILT DEDICATION - A total of 83 mission quilts constructed by the Happy Scrappers are on display this morning. Included are four Silent Auction Quilts in the Narthex available for a minimum bid of \$50.00 with bidding to close at 11:00 AM on Sunday, April 2nd. Any one of the other quilts can be purchased today for only \$75.00! One-half of all funds raised will be used for shipping expenses by Lutheran World Relief Headquarters throughout the world and the remaining one-half will be used by the Happy Scrappers for future quilting projects. Happy Scrapper members include Donna Kappler, Gladys Teinert, Beverly Ullrich, Beverly Newell, Elsie Michalk, Joyce Newman, Karen Fitch, Artie Schultz, Faye Winkler and Jeanette Huelsebusch. Thanks for your generous support.

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC NEWS & INFORMATION

It's time for the 24th annual Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church & Preschool **Picnic and Live Auction**, and this year, we will again be holding the picnic **on our Mt. Calvary church grounds!** Mark your calendars and tell all of your friends and family to join us on Sunday, May 21st. The worship service will be held in the church sanctuary, beginning at 9:00 AM. Attendees may dress in "picnic casual" attire. The BBQ meal will be served to dine-in customers at the Education Building, with overflow seating available in the Fellowship House. The drive-through will be at the BBQ pits. Children's games and activities are being planned. Live music and the auction will take place at the BBQ Pavilion.

The barbecue dinner and auction are the church's only fundraiser, and we need everyone's help to make it a success. You cannot imagine the fun you are missing if you aren't helping with all the day's activities! Take a look and see where you would like to help:

- ✦ Selling meal tickets (contact Brenda Fischer 979-249-3467 to get your tickets)
- ✦ Asking local businesses to donate an auction item (contact the church office for the list)
- ✦ Donating an auction item yourself (contact the church office)
- ✦ Meal preparation on Saturday May 14th (contact Dennis Schnell 979-242-3790)
- ✦ Helping cut meat (contact Willie Ahlschlager)
- ✦ Helping in the drive through line (contact Gladys Teinert)
- ✦ Helping in the dine-in serving line (contact Rosalie Moerbe)
- ✦ Washing dishes (contact Daniel Fischer 979-249-3467)
- ✦ Helping with the auction (contact Linda Streicher or Janice Teinert)
- ✦ Baking cakes for the dine-in customers, for sale at the drive-thru line, and/or for the cake walk (contact Janice Teinert 979-966-3186)
- ✦ Clean up after the picnic (contact Daniel Fischer 979-249-3467)

If you are **DONATING AN ITEM** to the auction, please bring it to the church office no later than Friday, May 19th. This year, we will have pre-printed lists of all the auction items available to the buyers. If you cannot turn your item in by that date, for example, because it is perishable, please contact the church office and let us know what your item is so that it can be listed. Otherwise, late items will be placed at the end of the auction.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL will be having a cake, plant and prize walk. You can help us by donating cakes and plants. Items can be brought to the Education Building that Sunday morning, but please mark them "For Sunday School". Any questions, please call Lori Hollek (979-484-6002) or Joslyn Hensley at 979-702-1098.

The **LYF** will have the hamburger stand. Contact Jennifer Huelsebusch if you would like to donate veggies (lettuce, tomato, pickles, onions, etc).

If you would like to **ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS** on our placemats, which are available for the dine-in customers as well as being placed in the to-go bags, please contact the church office!

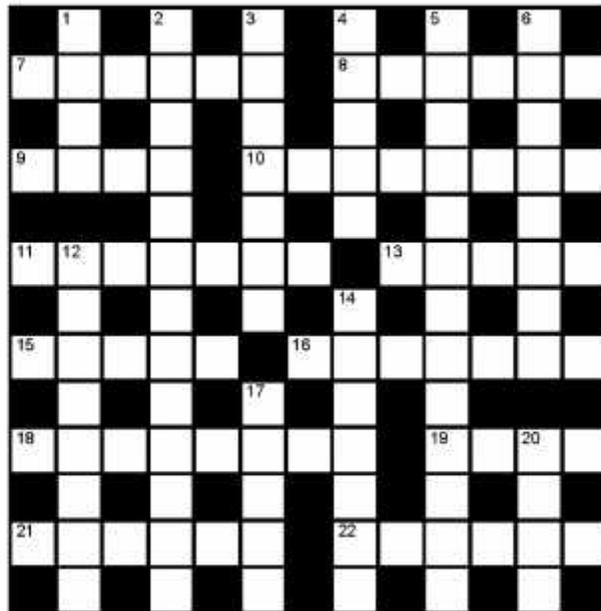
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The \$20 raffle tickets will be available to buy or help sell on April 23rd. There will only be 500 tickets sold. All raffle ticket sales money will need to be turned in by May 9th. All prizes will be given away during and after the auction. You need not be present to win.

Members of the Men's Club and Mary Martha Guild will be selling the raffle tickets, but we also need volunteers to help sell the tickets. Contact Cheryl Roitsch at croitsch.ecisd.org or Stacey Olenick at sassy_1972@hotmail.com or 979-702-1791. To volunteer in any way, or if you have any questions about the picnic activities, please call the contacts listed above, or the church office at 979-968-3938 or secretary@mtcalvary-lcms.org. Any and all help is **greatly** needed and appreciated!

If you would like to be a part of the picnic planning committee, just contact the church office. More help is always needed!

2 Kings



Across

- 7 The king of Babylon took the king of Judah in the "thirty and _____ year of his reign." 2 Kings 15:8 (6)
- 8 The son of Michaiah. 2 Kings 22:12 (6)
- 9 Jchoram was king of Israel in the eighteenth _____ of Jehoshaphat, the king of Judah. 2 Kings 3:1 (4)
- 10 "And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw; and, behold, the _____ was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha." 2 Kings 6:17 (8)
- 11 "Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel, and _____ them out of his sight: there was none left but the tribe of Judah only." 2 Kings 17:18 (7)
- 13 The king of Syria. 2 Kings 15:37 (5)
- 15 "Look, when the messenger cometh, shut the door, and hold him fast at the door: is not the _____ of his master's feet behind him?" 2 Kings 6:32 (5)

- 16 "And it came to pass, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons, and slew seventy _____, and put their heads in baskets, and sent him them to Jezreel." 2 Kings 10:7 (7)
- 18 "If we tarry till the morning light, some _____ will come upon us." 2 Kings 7:9 (8)
- 19 Jehu "smote them with the _____ of the sword." 2 Kings 10:25 (4)
- 21 The present tense form of the answer to clue #11 (6)
- 22 This word means to adhere firmly. 2 Kings 5:27 (6)

Down

- 1 "And he wrought evil in the sight of the LORD; but not _____ his father, and _____ his mother: for he put away the image of Baal that his father had made." 2 Kings 3:2 (4)
- 2 King of Egypt. 2 Kings 23:29 (13)

- 3 Synonym for room. 2 Kings 1:2 (7)
- 4 Amon's mother was the daughter of this man. 2 Kings 21:19 (5)
- 5 "And the LORD was with him; and he prospered _____ he went forth." 2 Kings 18:7 (13)
- 6 Hezekiah showed the king of Babylon all the riches in his _____. 2 Kings 20:13 (8)
- 12 Joram slew these people, from the land of Edom. 2 Kings 8:21 (8)
- 14 "I beseech thee, O LORD, remember now how I have walked before thee in truth and with _____ heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight." 2 Kings 20:3 (7)
- 17 The LORD had _____ deliverance from Syria by Naaman. 2 Kings 5:1 (5)
- 20 "And he said, _____ unto the people, that they may eat." 2 Kings 4:42 (4)

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April Birthdays & Anniversaries

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Rosalie Moerbe
2 Charlene Harbers Eugene Winkler	3	4	5 William Trlica	6 Jodie Adams	7	8 Sam Terral Jordan Von Minden
9	10 Shannon Herbrich Jamie Terral	11	12	13 Tina Bretting	14 Malissa Mieth Missy Rusek	15 Kayleigh Lehmann
16	17 Lorena Mueller	18 Brittani Pietsch	19 Noah Klawinski	20 Glenn McKinley Wayne McKinley	21 Morgan Gill Nick Hensley	22
23 Audrey Pietsch Caleb Rinald	24 Mary Bartek Ann	25 Dorothy Weber <i>Pastor & Lisa Qualman (37 yrs)</i>	26 Alfred Drescher Kim Pietsch	27 Justin Hollek	28 Amanda Klawinski	29 <i>Werner & Irene Koopmann (44 yrs)</i>
30 Robert Boening						


 IN OUR
 
Thoughts and Prayers

Prayer of Christian Sympathy for the family and friends of Leon Markert (B. J. Ullrich's brother), who passed away on February 23rd; the family and friends of Milton Koenning (Gladys Teinert's brother), who also passed away on February 23rd; the family and friends of John Tofel (Joan Miertschin's friend), who passed away on February 23rd; the family and friends of Doris Henslee-Miller (Ed Vasut's aunt); who passed away on February 24th; and for the family and friends of Laura Simonato (Pastor Fitch's nephew Bob Sharpsteen's wife, Armenia's, mother), who passed away on March 5th.

Just For Kids

JESUS IS RISEN!

When Jesus' disciples saw that the stone was rolled away from his tomb, they knew he had risen. Make a moveable tomb to celebrate Easter.

What you need:

- 4 pieces of paper (brown, blue, black, yellow)
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Glue stick
- Brad fastener
- Marker



What you do:

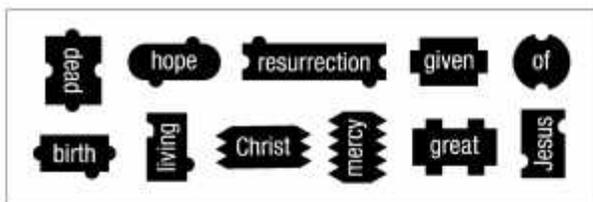
1. Fold the brown paper in half, short side to short side. Cut along the fold. On one half, draw and cut out a large half-circle (the tomb). On the other, draw and cut out a palm-sized circle (the stone).
2. Glue the brown tomb onto the blue paper.
3. Cut a black circle (the inside of the tomb) the same size as the brown stone and glue it onto the brown tomb.
4. Place the brown stone over the black half-circle; this is the entrance. Push the brad through one edge so the stone can move from side to side.
5. Cut out a cross from the yellow paper and glue it by the tomb.
6. Write "Jesus is risen!" atop the blue paper.

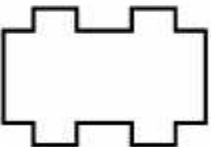
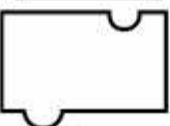
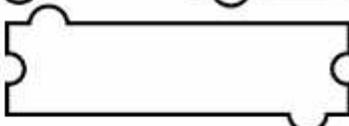
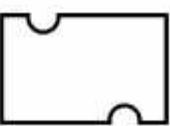
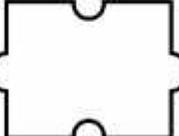


> NEW LIFE <

How did God work through Jesus to give us new life at Easter?

Directions: Use the puzzle pieces from the box to complete 1 Peter 1:3, NIV.



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Answer: In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. 1 Peter 1:3, NIV

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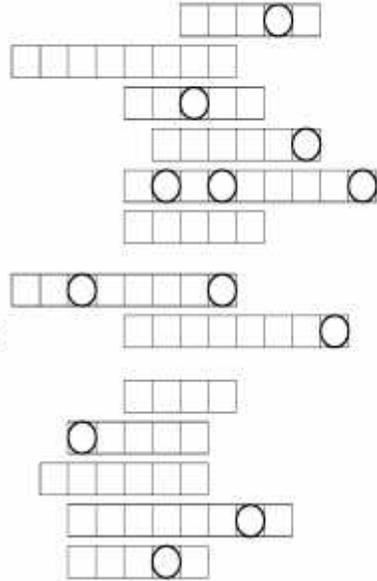


“Committed to Reaching Out With The Love Of Jesus”

Puzzle!

After completing this Easter crossword, unscramble the circled letters to discover a special word:

1. What Jesus was wrapped in
2. The site of Jesus' crucifixion
3. One of the rulers who questioned Jesus
4. He washed his hands of Jesus
5. Followers of Jesus
6. He denied Christ
7. A large hill
8. The feast celebrating escape from Egypt
9. Jesus' mother
10. A Jewish teacher
11. The doubting disciple
12. Jesus was mistaken for this
13. One of Peter's other names



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Answers: 1. cloth, 2. Golgotha, 3. Herod, 4. Pilate, 5. disciples, 6. Peter, 7. mountain, 8. Passover, 9. Mary, 10. rabbi, 11. Thomas, 12. gardener, 13. Simon; resurrection