



# The Shepherd's Voice

March 2025

439 E. Norvell Bryant Hwy, Hernando, FL 34442



## PASTOR'S DEVOTION

Dear Members and Friends in Christ Jesus,

The Season of Lent will soon be here as Lent begins on March 5th with the Church's celebration of Ash Wednesday. I invite you to join us on Wednesday March 5th at 6:30 PM for our Ash Worship Service with the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. The churches Lenten Spring is a time for renewal ...a time for listening... a time for contemplation...a time for wrestling against all that would keep us from maturing in our faith and being faith-filled witnesses of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ:

Teresa of Avila, a reformer and contemplative who lived in the 1500s wrote this wonderful truth for our daily living, witness, and stewardship:

*Christ has no body now but yours,  
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,  
Yours are the eyes through which Christ looks with compassion on the world.  
Yours are the feet with which Christ looks to do good.  
Yours are the hands with which Christ blesses all the world.  
Christ has no body now but yours,  
No hands, no feet on earth but yours.*

During this Lenten Season, "How are you and I planning to be renewed and strengthened as Christ's good stewards and witnesses as we journey with Christ to the Cross and prepare for our Easter celebration? How do we "embody" Christ in our daily lives and witnessing? The season of Lent can be just such a time of spiritual renewal. Lent is also a time for our growth in bold, passionate witness as individuals and as Christ's body, the Church.

This year let us make Lent a time for ***“the renewal and growth in our faith”***. I invite you to Worship with us each Sunday Morning at 10:00 AM to be nourished by God’s Word and the Sacrament so we can be strengthened in our faith, daily stewardship, and witness as ***“we are the hands and feet of Jesus in our world each day”***. Also, join us each **Wednesday Evening** for our **“Midweek Soup Suppers and Lenten Worship Opportunities (March 12, 19, 26, April 2, and 9)”** for ***“further spiritual renewal, growth, and witness”*** as we explore ***“The Symbols of Lent”***. Invite your family and friends to join us for our **Soup Supper at 5:30 pm followed by an activity/game/craft (do you enjoy a good game of trivia?)** for children, youth, and adults of all ages as well as a simple **Worship Service** as we learn, together, about the ***“Symbols of Lent”***. We hope to make this an **intergenerational event** where children, youth, and all adults of all ages will eat, learn, have some fun, and worship together as we grow in our faith and witness as ***keep in mind that Jesus Christ has died for us and is risen from the dead***. And that we are ***“the hands and feet of Jesus Christ”***, **today –no matter our age or season in life!**

***God’s Blessings on Your Lenten Journey,  
Pastor Bob***



See list on Page 19

**LENT BIBLE  
Reading Plan**



# Church Council News

The Council met on February 13th and approved the following items:

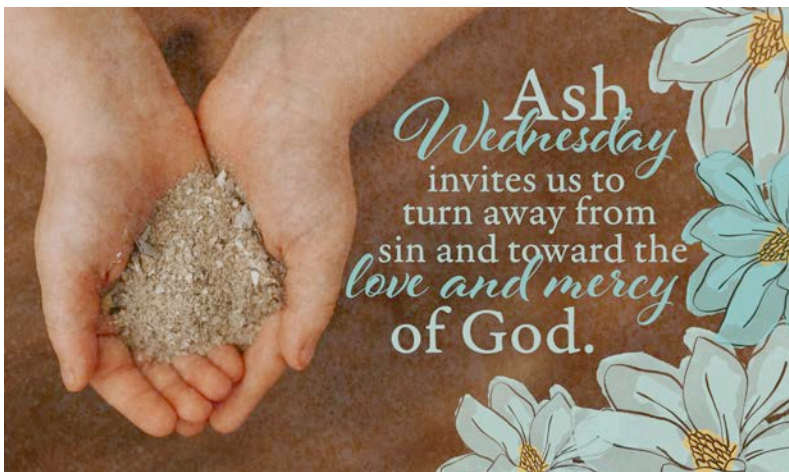
- Approved the hot water heater replacement for the kitchen.
- Approved Daystar for bread delivery in place of the Family Resource Center.
- Approved Bonnett Washington as a new member of Good Shepherd.
- Approved WELCA's Bump2Baby mission.
- Denied the Spanish Language Church's request to add Thursday evenings to their worship service. July is the only month available for their request.
- Approved Lenore Deck's request for use of the parking lot for cruise guests on March 7-15.

## Executive Council Meeting

March 6th @ 9:30 AM

## Council Meeting

March 13th @ 3:00 PM



**REMINDER:** Sundays are a day of worship for **ALL**. That includes the **clergy** and **council members**. Please do not bother them with church business. Contact them Monday through Saturday.

## WELCA NEWS

*As a community of women created in the image of God called to discipleship in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society and the world.*

The Spring Gathering of the Women of the Pinelands Conference will be held at Rock of Ages Lutheran Church, 4957 E. County Rd 462, Wildwood, FL 34785. The theme “Joy, Hope — Endurance” is based on *James 1:2-4 and Isaiah 40:31*. The program begins Saturday, March 8th, at 9:00 AM, and ends at 2:00 PM. The cost of registration is \$10.00, payable at the door. This day of fellowship will include breakfast, lunch, worship, sharing news and ideas, information about our Love Offering recipient, and fun.

On February 18th, the monthly WELCA Circle met at the Panera at the Shoppes at Black Diamond in Lecanto. The women enjoyed building a “community of women” as they ate and talked.

On March 18th, at 1:00 PM, Anne Storan will facilitate a Bible discussion based on Session 2 of the “Faithfulness” series in the January/February issue of *Gather Magazine*. Nancy Gomes will supply refreshments. Email or call Anne Storan, [astoran46@gmail.com](mailto:astoran46@gmail.com), or (740) 507-7504, to be given a copy of this Bible study.

Sally Hennessey has led our Good Shepherd WELCA unit for the past year. We have benefited from her skills in organization, her creative ideas, her flexibility in changing times, and her example of a faithful servant leader. Sally’s skills are needed in other leadership roles at this busy time of transition at Good Shepherd. Thank you, Sally, for the time you have led us with vision.

Anne Storan  
GSLC WELCA Unit Leader

If you would like to order a magnetic name tag please contact Donald Marchetti at (401) 568-8017 or [11thhourssigns@gmail.com](mailto:11thhourssigns@gmail.com) Cost is \$5.00.



# Pastoral Care

## Bringing the Eucharist to Care Facilities: A Ministry of Compassion

Each of the first four Mondays of the month, a dedicated Eucharistic team visits local care facilities, bringing the presence of Christ to those unable to attend regular services. This ministry is a profound act of love, ensuring that residents in nursing homes, assisted living centers, and rehabilitation facilities remain connected to their faith community.

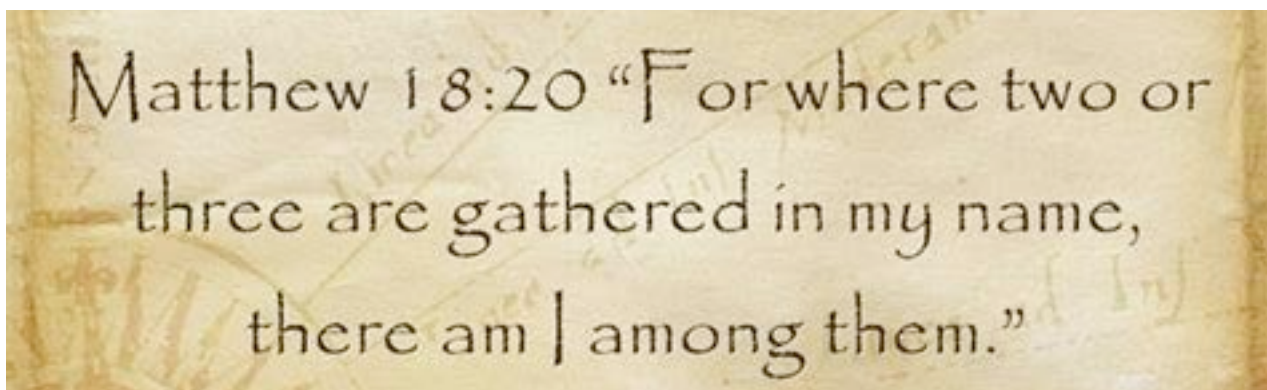
The Eucharistic team serves by distributing Holy Communion and offering prayer, companionship, and spiritual comfort. For many residents, receiving the Eucharist is a source of great peace and strength, reinforcing their faith in times of illness or isolation. The team members, in turn, experience the joy of service, deepening their own spiritual lives through acts of mercy and kindness.

This ministry reflects Christ’s call to care for the sick and the elderly, embodying the Church’s mission of love and inclusion. The Eucharistic team fosters a sense of belonging through their visits, reminding each resident that they are valued and not forgotten. Their service is a powerful witness to the grace and presence of God in all stages of life.

After the service, Dana Paulsen provides “Fun Time” music with piano and guitar, with songs like “She’ll Be Comin’ Round the Mountain When She Comes!” People with memory issues still remember the words to many old tunes.

We would like more congregational support with this ministry, singing, and helping the people with the service. It is rewarding and fun. Please join us when you can.

Intern Rick





## Fellowship

Our Fellowship Committee meeting will be held on Monday, March 10, 2025, at 1:30 PM. We are asking our committee members to attend if their schedule allows.

On Tuesday, March 4th (Shrove Tuesday), the Scouts will have a Pancake and Sausage dinner at 5 PM. We are asking our congregation to support this event for the Cub Scouts.

On March 12th, our first Lenten Soup supper begins. The following dates for our Wednesday Lenten Soup suppers are March 19, 26, April 2, and 9. You will find signup sheets that correspond with these dates in the Narthex. Please indicate how many people are attending and what soup you will bring. Note: you do not have to bring anything, however, you still need to sign your name on the sheet so that we know how many will attend and there will be plenty of soup for all. If you are bringing crock pots please bring them before 5:00 PM. Dinner will be at 5:30 with a short service in the Fellowship Hall following our soup supper. Bread and soup crackers will be provided. All are welcome.

If you would like to help with serving coffee, tea, hot chocolate, or with clean up after worship, please sign your name on the volunteer sheet near the coffee bar in the Fellowship Hall. Please consider helping when you can. It will take about an hour of your time once a month and will be greatly appreciated. We are asking our congregation to occasionally help with bringing a dessert. It does not need to be homemade. Anything from a bakery whether it is gluten-free, sugar-free, or a regular dessert will help with making our coffee hour special for our members. Thank you in advance.

Elaine Giammasi, Chair  
John Giammasi, Co-chair

### Shrove Tuesday

[Click to learn](#)



# Serving Our Savior

## Update from December 2025

Families served: 529

People served: 1,489

Pounds of Food: 30,055

Average pounds per person: 20.18



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## Memorials and Special Gifts

In Memory of **Jerry Waara:**

**Special Gift** by Bill Graham

In memory of *Uncle Jerry* to **Enduring Gifts** by Melissa, Alex, Maeve, Grayson, Sullivan, and Monroe Paszkowski

In memory of *Uncle Jerry* to the Choir - **Worship and Music** by Stephen, Karin, and Nana Ulik

In memory of *Uncle Jerry* to the Choir - **Worship and Music** by Kevin and Krista



Linda M. Cashman  
Lois L. Johnston  
Nancy J. Stephan  
Anne R. Storan

*These members donated to Thrivent Choice dollars which were donated to GSLC.*



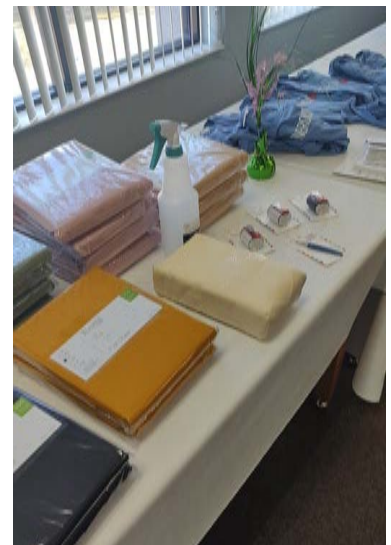
# Quilters

Quilters received a Thrivent© grant for necessary supplies. We sent 44 quilts to Lutheran World Relief - [lwr.org](http://lwr.org) and 8 personal care kits. Thank you to Greg and Anita for driving to Shepherd of the Hills in Clermont. Alma Day donated a baby quilt. Judy Teague brought in 9 baby quilts.

Please join us the first and third Wednesday of the month at 10 AM. Bring your lunch.

Thanks to Maggie Bregger for being a part of the Quilters. Safe travels to the West.

By Cindy Gaertner



2025 CITRUS COUNTY



Good Shepherd, along with seven area churches, will participate in the Bump2Baby Expo on April 11th from 5PM - 7PM at the auditorium at St. John Paul Catholic School, 4341 W Homosassa Trail, Lecanto, FL. The event is by Central Healthy Start.

We have a dresser donated by Intern Rick and hope to fill this with baby items including baby wipes, diapers sizes 2,3,4, and baby clothes size 6 month through 1

year.

Quilters have been completing baby quilts to donate.

Please bring these donations the first week in April to the Fellowship Hall.



MARCH 2025

## Worship and Music

March 4th @ 1PM - Meeting

Tuesdays @ 6:30 PM - Bells

Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM - Choir



Continues in April



Join us for Soup Suppers:

*March 12th*

*March 19th*

*March 26th*

5:30 PM

## Health Ministry



Your Faith Community Nurse is Kathy Metz, she can be reached @ 352-746-1911 and the Health Team members are: Barb Lauer, Donna Pease, John Colson, and Leith Masters. We will provide blood pressure screenings on the last Sunday of the month after worship.

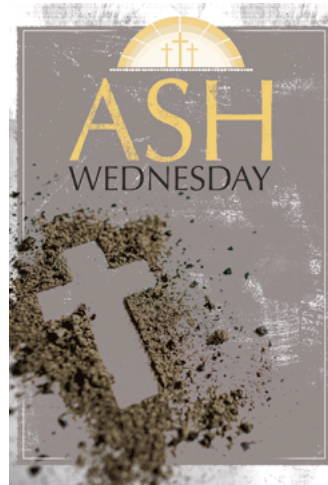


## Special Dates

- 2 - Transfiguration Sunday
- 4 - Shrove Tuesday
- 5 - Ash Wednesday
- 7 - World Day of Prayer
- 9 - Daylight Savings
- 15 - Newsletter Deadline
- 17 - St Patrick's Day
- 20 - First day of Spring



Shrove Tuesday



**Publix Bread Pick-up :**

**John & Sandy Spencer**















**Deliveries to:**

*Daystar*

# March 2025



Wednesdays @ 9 AM  
A Time for Prayer

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Every Tuesday @ 7:30 AM</b> Breakfast at Mama's Kuntry Kafe</p> <p><b>First Thursday @ Noon</b> Lunch @ Angelotti's</p>			<p>6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service</p> 			1
<p>2 10A - Worship Sunday School</p>  <p>JESUS IS TRANSFIGURED</p>	<p>3 1:30P Social Ministry Meeting</p>	<p>4 9 A - Weight Watchers 11A - WELCA Board Meeting 1P - Worship &amp; Music 5P - Scouts - Shrove Tuesday 6:30P - Bells</p>	<p>5 7:30A - SOS 10:00A- Quilters 1:00P - Newcomer's Club WEDNESDAY</p> <p>6:30P - Choir</p>	<p>6 7:30A - SOS 9:30A Executive Council 1P Outreach</p>	<p>7 8:00A - Workday on Grounds</p> 	8
<p>9 10A - Worship Sunday School</p>  <p>1st</p>	<p>10 1:30P - Fellowship</p>	<p>11 9 A - Weight Watchers 6:30P - Bells</p>	<p>12 7:30A- SOS 5:30P - Soup Supper 6:30P - Choir</p>	<p>13 7:30A - SOS</p>  <p>3:00 P Council Meeting</p>	<p>14 8:00A - Workday on Grounds</p> 	<p>15</p> 
<p>16 10A - Worship Sunday School</p> <p>2nd</p>	<p>17</p>  <p>Saint Patrick's Day</p>	<p>18 9 A - Weight Watchers 1P - WELCA Bible Discussion 6P - Scouts 6:30P - Bells</p>	<p>19 7:30A-SOS 10:00A- Quilters 5:30P - Soup Supper 6:30P - Choir</p>	<p>20 7:30A - SOS</p> 	<p>21 8:00A - Workday on Grounds</p> 	22
<p>23 10A - Worship Sunday School</p> <p>3rd</p>	24	<p>25 9 A - Weight Watchers 6:30P - Bells</p>	<p>26 7:30A-SO 5:30P - Soup Supper 6:30P - Choir</p>	<p>27 7:30A - SOS</p>  <p>10A Christian Education</p>	<p>28 8:00A - Workday on Grounds</p> 	29
<p>30 10A - Worship Sunday School</p>  <p>4th</p>	31	<p><b>Newsletter Deadline is MARCH 15th</b></p> <p>Citrus County Mosquito Control <b>OPEN HOUSE: March 27th 10AM- 2PM</b></p> 				

# ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS



Deacon Rick & Pat Mainster	03/07/1983
Joe & Stephanie Adams	03/17/2007
Marty & Judy McMahon	03/27/1981



2 - Lois Lenhart  
Tom Stickler

4 - Wendy Wolber

6 - Betty Sanger

14 - Ann Serafin

15 - John Fischer  
Cara Stickler

20 - Tom Fowler

23 - Diane Meltesen

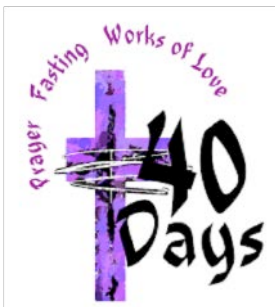
24 - Bonnett Washington

26 - Sharon Maxwell

27 - Louise Osborn

28 - Sandra Kampschroer

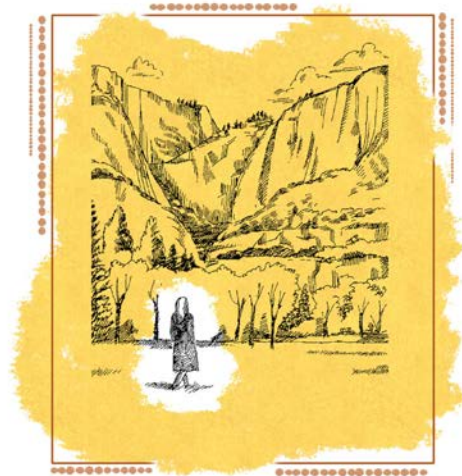
30 - Phyllis Powell  
Jillian Swartz



## Bible Quiz

Complete this sentence which introduces a well-known Bible story: "The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of \_\_\_\_\_."

- A. flowers
- B. sheep
- C. rocks
- D. bones



Answer: D (See Ezekiel 37:1, NIV.)



**Let us remember:**

Benefiel family	Jimenez, Jeanette	Lauer, Barbara	Mongardi, Eloise
Brit-Busler, Elizabeth	Johnson, Carol Lee	Lawrence, Ivalee	Page-Wood, Jeremy
Cashman, Dan	Kauth, Gerry	Lepore, Linda	Pawelko, Diane
Clark, Dawn	Koch, Michael	Masters, Leith	Peterson, Gloria
Costa, Denise	Krenauer, Linda	McField, Shirley	Wagner, Carole
Hassinger, Doug & Donna	Landfried, Bob	Meltesen Family	

**Those who are shut in or residing in assisted living homes:**

Earl, Jim	Frost, Joann	Hartsfield, Sylvia	Lowe, Faye
Moll, Bob	Philipp, Dick	Pufahl, Jean	Whitcomb, Ray

**All who serve our country in the military:**

Burba, Jake	Jackson, Brad	Radloff, Steven
Ceballos, Jason	Johnston-Garcia, Christian	Radosevitch, Eric
Corsino, Mykael	Luchay, Alan	Springer, Dennis
Day, Owen	McCann, Jim	Stroble, Jeramy
Harrington, Bryan	Miller, Tyler	Swain, Jr., Terry
Hickman, Richard	Much, Jason	Thomas, Peter Chris
Hicks, Nathan	Piott, Trenton	Thompson, David
Holman, Evan	Posa, Codymicheal	Timpe, Chris



**Relatives and Friends:**

Arbuckle, Amy & Matthew	Campano, Thomas	Fowler family	Hunt, Jim
Balastieri, Casey	Cato, Cecelia	Fratto, Joseph	Iudiciani, Georgia
Barber, Steve & Kitty	Cipollone, Elaine	Garling, John	Johnson, Jim
Beeftink, Paul	Crooks, Candi	Gifford, Judy	Kraft, Carter
Bluver, Linda & son	DeVenuto, Lisa	Goetter, Lisbeth	Koch, Dennis & Linda
Blyth, Ruby	Dortin, Rachel	Goetter, Thomas	Lahera, Andy
Brace, Quin	Drake, Matthew	Goforth, Jeffrey	Lavaja, Jim
Brugger, Tristan	Eckloff, Dennis	Goodloe, Ernestine	Lewellen, Emily Anne
Burkhardt, Faith & Dina	Farmer, Tom	Graves, Janice & Declan	Lobenthal, Jean
Cahoone, Bill	Fidwell, Eloise	Hertel, Karl	Loftin, Tracy

Longworth, Kathy	Pach, Barbara	Rothmeyer, Heidi	Vulkelich, Alejandra
Lublemon family	Page-Wood, Jake	Sbani, Carol	Welch, George
Lundsford, Victoria	Pulcrano, Sandra	Scheetz, Cathy & Family	Wells, Emmarie
Magnotta family	Parruche, Linda Ama	Sillen, Rita	Wierzel, Rosalee
Magrum, Corbin	Pope, Jeff	Small, Brenda & Steven	Williams, Dorothy
Maidhof, Dexter, Gary, Jeremiah	Pope, Rick	Smrdel, Terri	Wilson, Karen
McHugh, Mark	Queen, Max	Stewart, Sam	Wizard, Joe & Dana
Meidl, Nancy	Rajotte, Keith	Stuart, Neil & Family	Wolff, Jack
Mena, Steve	Ralph, Bruce	Thatcher, Jean	Wood, Harper
Nickerson, Mike & Beth	Rambaldini, Jim	Thompson, Lori	Woods, Donna Jean
Nine, Tim	Riccio, Gino	Traywick, Edward	Wolf, Nick
O'Berry, Darlene	Robertson, Jeanine	Tuegel, Chuck	Wright, Matthew
O'Keefe, Chris			Hart, Jim

Please take this prayer list and use it in your private or family devotions in the coming month. You can see that our congregation has a great many people who are in need of our prayers. Please let us know if your loved one is no longer serving in the military. Contact [gslchernando@gmail.com](mailto:gslchernando@gmail.com) for any updates.

## ATTENTION NEEDED

If you have previously requested family and/or friends for this list in the newsletter, please review and provide updates for those that need to be removed due to improved health, military discharge, or passing away. Please **do not** call the church for these updates. Send emails to [gslchernando@gmail.org](mailto:gslchernando@gmail.org) or call/text [352-586-6189](tel:352-586-6189) and leave a message.

## Newsletter Editor

**ALL** submissions for the **newsletter** or website should be sent to [gslchernando@gmail.com](mailto:gslchernando@gmail.com).

Stephanie

April Deadline is **March 15th**



**SUNDAY SCHOOL/NURSERY**

Susan Fowler

**USHERS**

*Please be there at 9:15 AM*

**March 2nd & 9th**

Gary Bush  
Harv Johnson  
Dennis Moore

**March 16th & 23rd**

Dave and Peg Bocker  
Gary Knecht

**MEDIA CENTER**

Fran Stetson  
John Gifford  
Joe Adams  
Dan Cashman

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**March 2nd**

Pat Mainster

**March 5th - Ash**

Tom Krenauer

**March 9th**

Kent Meltesen

**March 16th**

Ann Serafin

**March 23rd**

Shelly Fortin

**March 30th**

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# Kid's Corner



"Let the little children come to me ...."

MATTHEW 19:14

## Springing to LIFE

New life defines the season of spring. Make this Easter craft that symbolizes rebirth.

**What you need:**

- Brown paper lunch bag
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Glue stick
- Jellybeans

**What you do:**

1. From the bag's bottom, cut two 2-inch circles. Set aside.
2. From the sides, cut two 10-inch circles.
3. Draw a thin spiral on each large circle and cut along the lines. Crinkle spirals gently.
4. Starting at the center, wrap one spiral into a nest. Glue every few inches to hold it.
5. Glue one small circle to the bottom of the nest.
6. Repeat with the other spiral. Fill nests with jellybeans and give to a friend!

# PUZZLE

## FROM WORD TO WORLD

Words are important! God spoke and created all things.  
What does the psalmist declare about creation?

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Directions: Using the word clues, unscramble the letters to complete Psalm 102:25, NIV.

A preposition	NI	---
An article	HTE	---
Genesis means this	NINBGEIGN	-----
A second-person pronoun	OUY	---
Past tense of <i>to lay</i>	IDAL	---
An article	HET	---
A plural noun meaning <i>base</i>	SODTAINFONU	-----
A preposition showing possession	FO	---
An article	TEH	---
A concrete noun meaning <i>world</i>	HRTEA	-----

Psalm 102:25, NIV

Answer: In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth. (Psalm 102:25, NIV)

# JOURNEY TO THE CROSS

Starting on Ash Wednesday, the church traditionally observes Lent, a 40-day period of repentance and reflection. As we prepare for Easter, families can focus on Jesus' life and ministry, culminating in his death and resurrection.

Use this Lenten Bible Reading Plan, along with a kid-friendly Bible version, for family devotions. With older kids, you can expand the readings to the surrounding paragraph or chapter. Discuss how each reference to Christ ties into God's plan of salvation.



<b>DAY 1</b> Genesis 3:15	<b>DAY 2</b> Isaiah 7:14	<b>DAY 3</b> Matthew 1:20-21	<b>DAY 4</b> Luke 2:11	<b>DAY 5</b> Luke 2:52	<b>DAY 6</b> Mark 1:9-11	<b>DAY 7</b> Matthew 4:10
<b>DAY 15</b> Luke 9:20-22	<b>DAY 14</b> Mark 6:41-42	<b>DAY 13</b> Matthew 12:8	<b>DAY 12</b> Luke 8:24-25	<b>DAY 11</b> Luke 4:40-41	<b>DAY 10</b> Matthew 11:28-30	<b>DAY 9</b> Luke 6:27-31
<b>DAY 16</b> John 3:16-17	<b>DAY 17</b> John 6:35	<b>DAY 18</b> John 8:12	<b>DAY 19</b> John 10:14-15	<b>DAY 20</b> Mark 10:13-16	<b>DAY 21</b> Mark 9:2-3	<b>DAY 22</b> Matthew 20:17-19
<b>DAY 29</b> Mark 11:15-16	<b>DAY 28</b> Matthew 21:8-9	<b>DAY 27</b> John 12:3	<b>DAY 26</b> John 11:25-27, 43	<b>DAY 25</b> Luke 10:36-37	<b>DAY 24</b> Matthew 14:25-27	<b>DAY 23</b> Luke 19:9-10
<b>DAY 30</b> John 17:17-19	<b>DAY 31</b> Luke 22:3-6	<b>DAY 32</b> Mark 14:22-24	<b>DAY 33</b> John 13:3-5	<b>DAY 34</b> Matthew 26:39	<b>DAY 35</b> Luke 22:63-65	<b>DAY 36</b> Mark 15:22-26
<b>DAY 40</b> Matthew 28:19-20	<b>DAY 39</b> Luke 24:1-8	<b>DAY 38</b> John 19:40-42	<b>DAY 37</b> Matthew 27:50-54			

# BIBLE READING PLAN: *From Death to Life*

During Lent, Christians observe 40 days of confession, prayer and renewal. Just as our Savior fasted and faced temptation in the desert for 40 days, we use this season to grow our faith and prepare to minister.

Use this Bible Reading Plan to follow Jesus to the cross and then rejoice at his empty tomb on Easter. Travel through Scripture to reflect on who Jesus is and what he lovingly endured to give us life.



## The Dry Desert

- Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 [Ash Wednesday]
  - Genesis 3
  - Psalm 63:1-8
  - Matthew 4:1-11
- Sunday: Hebrews 4:14-16



## Hosannas for a King

- Psalm 24:7-10
  - Jeremiah 23:5-6
  - Matthew 21:1-11
  - John 18:33-40
  - John 19:1-16
  - Hebrews 1:1-12
- Sunday: Revelation 7:9-17



## Hope on the Horizon

- Numbers 21:4-9
  - 2 Samuel 7:1-16
  - Job 19:23-27
  - Isaiah 42:1-9
  - Daniel 7:13-14
  - Zechariah 9:9-17
- Sunday: Romans 8:22-30



## Journey to the Cross

- John 2:13-22
  - Mark 14:1-11
  - John 13:1-17
  - Matthew 26:26-30
  - Luke 22:39-46
  - Mark 14:27-31, 66-72
- Palm Sunday: Ephesians 1:18-23



## Our Sacrificial Lamb

- Genesis 22:1-18
  - Exodus 12:1-17
  - Psalm 23
  - John 1:1-34
  - John 10:1-18
  - 1 Peter 1:18-23
- Sunday: Revelation 5



## Victory Through Christ

- Isaiah 53
  - Matthew 26:47-56
  - Mark 15:16-20
  - John 6:47-58 [Maundy Thursday]
  - Matthew 27:32-54 [Good Friday]
  - Psalm 16:5-11 [Holy Saturday]
- Easter Sunday: Luke 24:1-8;  
1 Corinthians 15:47-57



## Hatred & Persecution

- Psalm 22
  - Jeremiah 20:7-13
  - Matthew 24:1-31
  - John 11:45-57
  - John 15:18-25
  - 2 Timothy 3:10-17
- Sunday: 2 Corinthians 4

Note: Sundays, known as "mini-Easters," are excluded from Lent's 40 days. But this reading plan includes verses for each day from Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday.