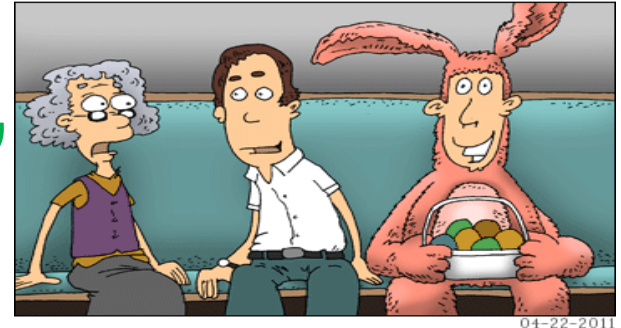


KIDS STUFF

MARCH 24

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YOU'LL HAVE TO FORGIVE HIM ... HE'S NEW TO THE FAITH AND THIS IS HIS FIRST EASTER

A MONTHLY UPDATE FOR KIDS AND PARENTS AT LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARCH IS. . . .

THIS EASTER, LEWINSVILLE WILL BE OPENING UP THE EASTER EGG HUNT TO THE COMMUNITY. WE WILL BE HOLDING THREE HUNTS ON THE SATURDAY BEFORE EASTER SUNDAY AND WE NEED EGGS! PLASTIC EASTER EGGS STUFFED WITH CANDY, TOYS, AND STICKERS FOR THE CHILDREN OF OUR CHURCH AND THE COMMUNITY.

DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, WE WILL BE

Easter Egg Collection Month

COLLECTING DONATIONS OF PRE-STUFFED EGGS OR REQUESTING CHURCH GROUPS TO HOLD EGG STUFFINGS AT THEIR GATHERINGS, BINS FOR THE COLLECTIONS OF THE EASTER EGGS WILL BE LOCATED AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS AROUND THE CHURCH.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT

ALLISON LINEBERGER,

ALINEBERGER@LEWINSVILLE.ORG



Join us at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church & the Pavilion at the Lewinsville

Saturday, March 30



YOU TOLD ME TO GET A NEW EASTER SUIT AND THIS IS THE ONLY ONE THAT THEY HAD LEFT

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Ages 2-5

9:30-10:15 a.m.

HUNT 2

Grades 1-3

11:00-11:45 a.m.

HUNT 3

Grades 4-6

12:30-1:15 p.m.

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT



LENT IS 40 DAYS-NOT INCLUDING SUNDAYS!- FROM ASH WEDNESDAY TO THE SATURDAY BEFORE EASTER. CHRISTIANS AROUND THE WORLD CONSIDER LENT A TIME TO REFLECT ON WHAT JESUS DID FOR US. LENT IS A PRIME TIME TO INTRODUCE SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES-PRAYER, FASTING, REMEMBERING, SIMPLICITY, CELEBRATING-INTO YOUR FAMILY'S LIFESTYLE AND RHYTHMS. JOIN US FOR THIS MESSY CHURCH WHERE WE WILL DIVE INTO SOME OF THE TRADITIONS OF LENT THROUGH ACTIVITIES THAT WILL HIGHLIGHT THE THREE PILLARS OF LENT: FASTING, ALMSGIVING AND PRAYER. THIS MESSY CHURCH WILL ALSO HAVE ACTIVITIES THAT HIGHLIGHT THE LAST WEEK OF LENT/HOLY WEEK AND IT'S START/PALM SUNDAY.

ACTIVITIES BEGIN AT 9:30 A.M. IN FELLOWSHIP HALL. CONCLUDING WORSHIP WILL BE LED BY PASTER LAYNE AND WE WILL END WITH A SNACK OF SOFT PRETZELS.

Messy Church Program for March

March 3-Break Out Groups:

- 9:15 a.m. Nursery/Child Care
- 9:30 a.m. Ages 3-5 Joyful Noise, 10:00 a.m. Godly Play/Jesus and the Children
- 9:30-10:30 a.m. Grades 1-5, Mini Mess/Parables of Jesus Escape Room
- 9:30-10:30 a.m. Parent Group/NOOMA



March 10-Break Out Groups:

- 9:15 a.m. Nursery/Child Care
- 9:30 a.m. Ages 3-5 Joyful Noise, 10:00 a.m. Godly Play/Jesus and Bartimaeus
- 9:30-10:30 a.m. Grades 1-5, Mini Mess/Parables of Jesus Escape Room
- 9:30-10:30 a.m. Parent Group/Devotions with Pastor Jen

***March 17-Messy Church Celebration/all ages, 9:30-11:00 a.m./Messy Lent ***

March 24-Break Out Groups:

- 9:15 a.m. Nursery/Child Care
- 9:30 a.m. Ages 3-5 Joyful Noise, 10:00 a.m. Godly Play/Jesus the King
- 9:30-10:30 a.m. Grades 1-5, Mini Mess/Palm Sunday & Holy Week
- 9:30-10:30 a.m. Parent Group/Easter Egg Stuffing

March 31-Easter Sunday NO EDUCATION PROGRAMMING





GOOD SAMARITAN DAY IS ON SUNDAY MARCH 17TH FOLLOWING WORSHIP IN FELLOWSHIP HALL.

WE WILL HAVE MULTIPLE SERVICE PROJECTS THAT IS INCLUSIVE OF ALL AGES. WE WILL BE DOING SERVICE PROJECTS FOR :

- + LEWINSVILLE RETIREMENT RESIDENCE
- + FALLS CHURCH HOMELESS SHELTER,
- + MIRIAM'S KITCHEN
- + MCLEAN FALLS CHURCH CHILDREN'S CENTER

SIGN UP AT THIS LINK:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/6/1FAIPQLSEMKIM5UZNTTCOUISJV9PH1EQDW RNN-V3W 8RHNI6PTDY-F-XA/VIEW FORM>



MARCH

Date	Season	Theme/Story	Activity/Project	Location
March 3	LENT 3	Lent Practices	Generosity Activities	Room 102B
March 10	LENT 4	Lent Practices	Lent Resolutions Coloring Page	Room 102B
March 17	NO SERMON STORIES/MESSY CHURCH-MESSY LENT			
March 24	PALM SUNDAY	Palm Sunday/Holy Week	Donkey Wind-Up	Room 102B
March 31	NO SERMON STORIES/EASTER SUNDAY			

Activities that explore a Bible story or church season for children, Ages 4 through Grade 2 during the 11:00 a.m. worship service following the Children's message-Held in meeting room 102 B

The Wiggle Worship Bags will continue to be available at every worship service. Please remember these bags should be returned to the blue bins in the Narthex at the conclusion of the service.

THE 3 PILLARS OF LENT

ALMSGIVING

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Thanks to Charles Dunleavy (See Mark 12:41-44) 06-02-2005
 THAT WIDOW JUST GAVE A XVII-P MINTED
 MITE ... IT'S WORTH A FORTUNE

FASTING

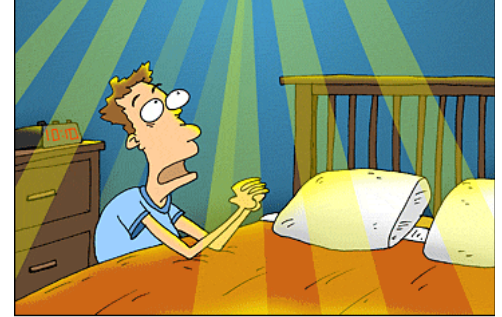
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Thanks to Darnell Fenderson 02-19-2010
 THIS FAST, I WANTED TO FAST BY GIVING
 UP SOMETHING THAT I TRULY LOVE, AND I
 AM A HUGE FAN OF FASTING

PRAYER

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Thanks to Matt Hagan 12-31-2007
 FOR ENGLISH, PRAY "I", FOR SPANISH,
 PRAY "Z" ...

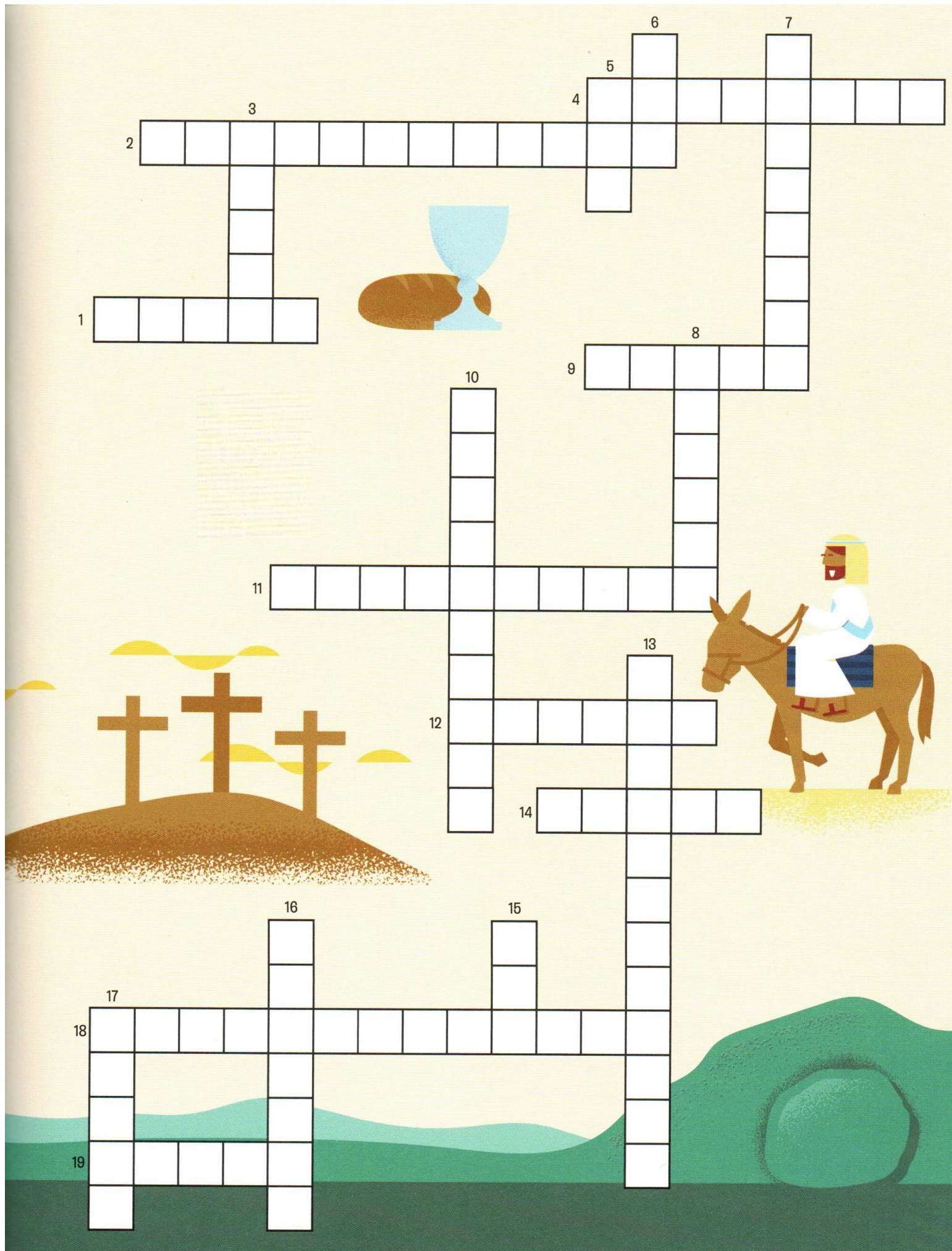
JESUS SAVES

Use the clues to reveal important words related to
 the most important act (ever!): Jesus dying for our sins!



Clues:

- 1 Jesus said He would be killed and then, on the ____ day, be raised to life (Matthew 16:21).
- 2 The event we celebrate on Easter and the apostles testified about (Acts 4:33).
- 3 This pierced Jesus's side as He hung on the cross (John 19:34).
- 4 The site of Jesus's crucifixion ("the place of the Skull," a.k.a. Calvary) (John 19:17).
- 5 Jesus is the Son of ____ (Luke 22:70).
- 6 Jesus is also "the ____ of Man" (Matthew 26:64).
- 7 They mocked Jesus on the cross, offering Him wine and vinegar (Luke 23:36-37).
- 8 Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a ____ (Matthew 21:1-11).
- 9 The disciple who betrayed Jesus (Matthew 27:3).
- 10 Our name for the meal Jesus shared with His disciples (Mark 14:12-26).
- 11 The day we celebrate Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem (John 12:12-18).
- 12 The Roman governor who convicted Jesus, leading to His crucifixion (John 18:28-40).
- 13 Jesus's last words on the cross (John 19:30).
- 14 He was crucified for our sins and resurrected (Acts 10:39-43).
- 15 The number of men (thieves) crucified next to Jesus (Luke 23:32).
- 16 The people Jesus came to save—another way of saying everybody (1 Timothy 2:5).
- 17 Jesus was crucified on a ____ (Philippians 2:8).
- 18 This was placed on Jesus's head at His crucifixion (Matthew 27:29).
- 19 He helped Jesus carry the cross (Matthew 27:32).





FAMILY LENT IDEAS

HERE ARE A WHOLE BANK OF IDEAS THAT YOU CAN USE AT HOME AS A FAMILY THROUGHOUT LENT. YOU CAN FIND LINKS TO ALL THE IDEAS HERE:



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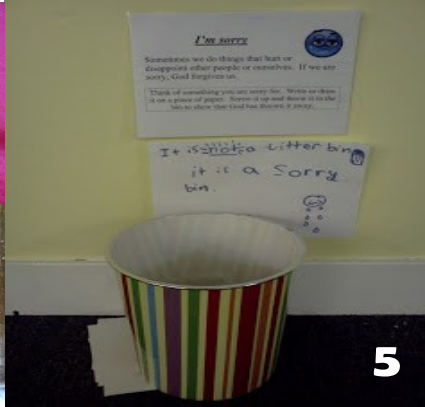
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LENT IDEA 1 COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS EVERY DAY WITH THE [BLESSINGS JAR](#)

LENT IDEA 2 REMEMBER THAT GOD IS ALWAYS WITH YOU USING THE [GOD IS CLOSE TO US SAFETY PINS](#)

LENT IDEA 3 LOOK AT THE WORLD VISION LENT CALENDAR AND LEARN ABOUT A DIFFERENT CHILD SOMEWHERE IN THE WORLD EACH DAY. PRAY FOR THEM!

LENT IDEA 4 MAKE PRETZELS- ORIGINALLY MADE IN THE SHAPE OF ARMS FOLDED IN PRAYER. A RECIPE CAN BE FOUND [HERE](#).

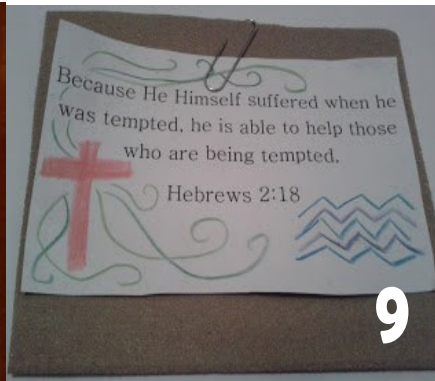
LENT IDEA 5 SAY SORRY TO GOD AND ASK HIM TO FORGIVE YOU. USE [SORRY WHITEBOARDS OR A SORRY BIN](#)

LENT IDEA 6 MAKE A CARD AND SEND IT TO ONE OF YOUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES. BEFORE YOU POST IT, THANK GOD FOR THAT PERSON.

LENT IDEA 7 LISTEN TO THE STORY OF PALM SUNDAY AND THEN VISIT [HERE](#) TO FIND CRAFTS AND COLORING PAGES



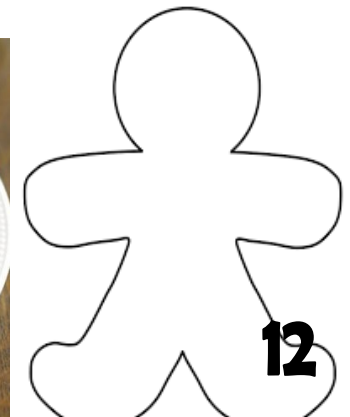
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LENT IDEA 8 BE THANKFUL! USE [PLAY DOUGH PRAYER](#)

LENT IDEA 9 THINK ABOUT [JESUS' TEMPTATION IN THE WILDERNESS](#) AND GIVE UP SOMETHING YOU LIKE DOING OR EATING FOR 2 DAYS. ALTERNATIVELY, DO OUR TEMPTATION ACTIVITY.

LENT IDEA 10 CHOOSE A CHARITY TO SUPPORT AND HAVE EVERYONE IN THE FAMILY SAVE CHANGE FOR A WEEK OR LONGER!

LENT IDEA 11 BAKE SOME HOT CROSS BUNS. TRY THIS [RECIPE](#)

LENT IDEA 12 THINK ABOUT PEOPLE YOU WOULD LIKE GOD TO BLESS. USE THE [PAPER PEOPLE PRAYER](#)

LENT IDEA 13 READ THE STORY OF THE LAST SUPPER AND ACT IT OUT WITH BLACKCURRANT SQUASH AND PITTA BREAD



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LENT IDEA 14 PRINT OFF A WORLD MAP, CHOOSE A COUNTRY AND PRAY FOR IT. DRAW A SMILEY FACE ON THE MAP TO SHOW WHERE YOU HAVE PRAYED FOR. OR YOU COULD TRY [WORLD PRAYERS](#)

LENT IDEA 15 PRAY THE [SMARTIES PRAYER](#)

LENT IDEA 16 TALK ABOUT GOD'S LOVE FOR US AND MAKE A [GOD LOVES ME STAINED GLASS WINDOW](#)

THESE IDEAS CAME FROM FLAME: CREATIVE CHILDRENS' MINISTRY BLOG- [FLAMECREATIVEKIDS.BLOGSPOT.COM](#)

SAVE THE DATE:

Chili Cook-Off and March Madness all-ages party at Lewinsville on Friday, March 22nd from 6:00 – 9:00.

There will be prizes for best chili in a wide variety of categories, March Madness basketball live on the TV screens in the youth room, bracket contests and games for kids.

Click this link to sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F084CA8A62AA7FA7-48012977-march#/>



MARCH 22ND | 6PM - 9PM

THE STORY OF THE PRETZEL

PRETZELS ARE NOT MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE AND NEITHER IS LENT, BUT, AS TRADITIONS, THEY GO BACK A LONG TIME. THERE ARE VARIOUS STORIES ABOUT HOW THEY CAME ABOUT, AND IT IS UNCLEAR IN EXACTLY WHICH YEAR OR WHICH EUROPEAN COUNTRY PRETZELS ORIGINATED. HERE IS ONE STORY.

IN ABOUT AD 610, A MONK WAS BAKING UNLEAVENED BREAD FOR LENT IN HIS KITCHEN. THROUGH THE WINDOW HE COULD SEE CHILDREN PRAYING. HE DECIDED TO MAKE TREATS FOR THE CHILDREN AS A REWARD FOR RECITING THEIR PRAYERS, SO HE USED UP THE LEFTOVER PIECES OF DOUGH TO CREATE STRIPS FOLDED LIKE THE ARMS OF A PERSON PRAYING. THE SHAPES WERE CALLED PRETIOLA, LATIN FOR 'LITTLE REWARD', FROM WHICH THE WORD 'PRETZEL' HAS BEEN DERIVED. SINCE THEN, PRETZELS HAVE REMAINED A POPULAR LENTEN FOOD AND THERE ARE LOTS OF DIFFERENT SHAPES AND RECIPES.



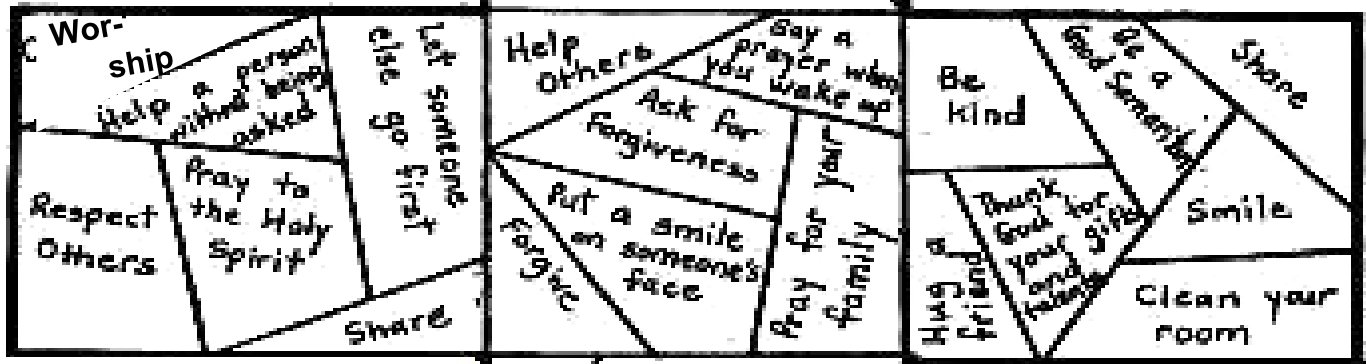
LENT TRADITIONS

lent is for loving

LENT ACTIVITY FOR CHILDREN:
EACH DAY KIDS CHOOSE ONE
WAY TO SHOW LOVE, AND COL-
OR IN THAT AREA TO MAKE A
STAINED WINDOW BY THE TIME
EASTER ARRIVES!

TO WATCH THE MESSY CHURCH
LORD'S PRAYER WITH MOTIONS,
CLICK ON ANY OF THE LORD'S
PRAYER BOXES BELOW TO VIEW.

COPY THE MOTIONS AS YOU
PRAY THE PRAYER!

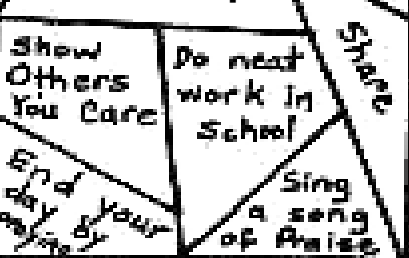
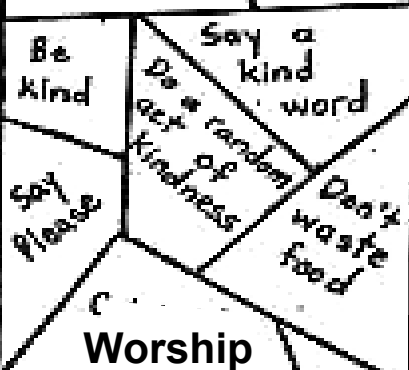
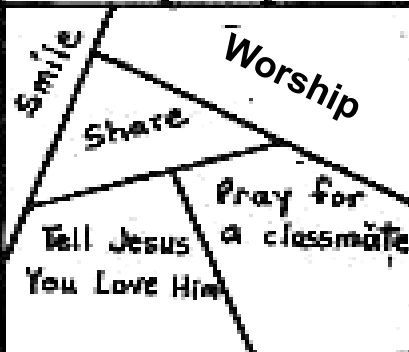


OUR FATHER
IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED
BE YOUR NAME.



**GIVE US THIS DAY OUR
DAILY BREAD.**

**LEAD US
NOT INTO
TEMPTATION,
BUT DELIVER US
FROM EVIL.**



**YOUR KINGDOM COME,
YOUR WILL BE DONE,
ON EARTH AS IN HEAVEN.**



**AND FORGIVE US
OUR DEBTS, AS WE ALSO HAVE
FORGIVEN OUR DEBTORS.**



**FOR THE KINGDOM,
THE POWER AND
THE GLORY ARE YOURS.
NOW AND FOREVER. AMEN**

"I am with you always"