






	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Week 1 :: Seek God's Ways</b> <i>Light seven candles.</i> Prayer: Jesus, we confess that we sometimes miss the mark. Reveal your ways to us. Give us wisdom to know when it's time to shout and when it's time to be quiet as we follow you. Amen.	 <h1 style="margin: 0;">Daily Ritual Calendar</h1> <p style="margin: 0;">A Lenten Journey </p>			<b>MARCH</b> 2 Do the <b>Ash Wednesday</b> Ritual in this resource, or attend a communal Ash Wednesday service.	3 Read Joel 2:12-17. What does it look like for you to "return to God" with your whole heart?	4 Read Isaiah 58:1. What do you see that's unjust in the world? Go outside and shout about it.	5 Read Matthew 6:1-2. Do an anonymous act of kindness for someone.
<b>Week 2 :: Security to Generosity</b> <i>Light six candles</i> Prayer: Jesus, we are tempted to shore up our own security instead of trusting in you and in the strength of your community. Open us up to generosity and trust. Amen.	6 Worship God in community.	7 Open your weekly box and place the symbols you discover on your Lenten centerpiece. What clues do these symbols (stone and grain) give you to the stories of the week to come?	8 Read Deuteronomy 26:1-11. The story of Abraham moves the people of God to offer gifts. What story moves you to generosity?	9 Read Romans 10:12-13. Write this promise down and tuck it into a bag or pocket you have with you every day.	10 Read Psalm 91:11-12. What does it mean to make God our refuge?	11 Read Luke 4:1-13. Do you recognize what the devil says to Jesus? Jesus has walked the whole human path, including temptation.	12 What things do you hold onto that give you a feeling of security? Perhaps it's extra canned goods, clothing or even savings. Can you share some of it?
<b>Week 3 :: From Fear to Compassion</b> <i>Light five candles.</i> Prayer: Jesus, we sometimes let our fear and lack of understanding keep us from showing your love to others. Open our hearts to compassion. Amen.	13 Worship God in community.	14 Open your weekly box and place the symbols you discover on your Lenten centerpiece. What clues do these symbols (feathers) give you to the stories of the week to come?	15 Read Genesis 15:5-6. Go outside and look at the stars. Try to count them.	16 Read Psalm 27. The psalmist needs help, and demands (and trusts) that God will respond. Which verses in the psalm resonate with you right now?	17 Read Philippians 3:20. If our citizenship is in heaven, how does that change the way we act in the world?	18 Read Luke 13:34. Make a cozy "nest" for yourself and imagine Jesus as the mother hen, snuggling and protecting you.	19 Find a way to courageously show compassion.
<b>Week 4 :: From Earning to Receiving</b> <i>Light four candles.</i> Prayer: Jesus, sometimes we forget that all good gifts are from you. We rely on ourselves instead of on you. Open us up to receive your goodness.	20 Worship God in community.	21 Open your weekly box and place the symbols you discover on your Lent centerpiece. What clues do these symbols (garden tool, fertilizer) give you to the stories of the week to come?	22 Read Isaiah 55:1-9. Delight yourself in the Word of God by sharing a favorite Bible verse. Or go literal and delight yourself in some rich food!	23 Read Psalm 63:1-8. Sing a song of praise to God.	24 Read 1 Corinthians 10:12. When have you thought you were pretty secure, only to find yourself faltering?	25 Read Luke 13:6-9. Fig trees usually take 3-5 years to bear fruit, and they love richly fertilized soil, so the suggestion to give it time and spread some manure was pretty practical. When have you needed to wait patiently?	26 Take a walk in nature. Notice the gifts of God's creation.
<b>Week 5 :: From Exceptionalism to Inclusion</b> <i>Light three candles.</i> Prayer: Jesus, sometimes we get a little entitled, thinking we have a right to privilege. Open us up to embrace the community you've placed us in and to be part of your inclusive love.	27 Worship God in community.	28 Open your weekly box and place the symbols you discover on your Lenten centerpiece. What clues do these symbols (banquet items) give you to the stories of the week to come?	29 Read Joshua 5:10-12. Eat something that is a product of the land around you (a locally grown food).	30 Read Psalm 32:5-7. Write down your own confession and put it on your centerpiece - or (carefully) burn it.	31 Read 2 Corinthians 5:16-21. Go through the next 24 hours thinking of yourself as an ambassador for Christ.	<b>APRIL</b> 1 Read Luke 15:11-32. Act it out.	2 Go to a public place, such as a park. Eat, play and/or interact with the community there, considering each person you see to be part of the community God has placed you in.
<b>Week 6 :: From Scarcity to Abundance</b> <i>Light two candles.</i> Prayer: Jesus, sometimes we hold onto things too tightly. We're afraid of not having enough. Open us up to see and share your abundance.	3 Worship God in community.	4 Open your weekly box and place the symbols you discover on your Lent centerpiece. What clues do these symbols (perfume jar) give you to the stories of the week to come?	5 Read Isaiah 43:19. What new thing is God doing around you?	6 Read Psalm 126. What are your stories of restoration? What are your current needs for restoration?	7 Read Philippians 3:12-14. What are your goals? What do you work toward or strive for? Ask God to help what you want to align with what God wants.	8 Read John 12:1-8. Find the thing that is most precious to you. What would it look like to offer this to God?	9 Make pretzels and share them. Invented by monks, the folds of the pretzel represent arms folded in prayer, and the three holes represent the Trinity. Try this recipe: <a href="https://sallysbakingaddiction.com/easy-homemade-soft-pretzels/">https://sallysbakingaddiction.com/easy-homemade-soft-pretzels/</a> .
<b>Week 7 :: From Power Over to Power With</b> <i>Light one candle.</i> Prayer: Jesus, sometimes we want to be powerful, to be in control, instead of collaborating with others to do good work through your power. Open us to the kind of power you showed in your death and resurrection.	10  It's <b>Palm Sunday!</b> Worship God in community.	11 Read Luke 19:28-40. Open your weekly box and place the symbols (leaf or palm branch) you discover on your Lenten centerpiece.	12 Read Isaiah 50:4-9. Jesus knew these words of the prophet Isaiah. Imagine him thinking of these words during the week leading to his death.	13 Read Philippians 2:5-8. Make a cross out of found materials (sticks and string, Legos or straws) and place it on your Lenten centerpiece.	14  Do the <b>Maunder Thursday</b> ritual in this resource, or attend a communal worship service.	15 Do the <b>Good Friday</b> ritual in this resource, or attend a communal worship service.	16 When Jesus died, the Light of the World went out. Don't turn on any lights today.
		<b>Easter, Sunday, April 17</b> <b>Happy Resurrection Day!</b> Choose from the Easter Day activities in this resource.					